

March 3, 2024 • 8:30am

Third Sunday of Lent



ALTERED

alongside
our enemies



WELCOME

to Elk River Lutheran Church

Welcome to Elk River Lutheran Church! Whether you are joining us in-person or online, we're glad you're here. Elk River Lutheran Church is a forward-thinking congregation made up of people of all ages. We are a pretty new church (formed in 2009), located in a remodeled bank building on the Mississippi River in downtown Elk River. Our mission is: *Trusting in God's grace, an accepting, joyful community, serving God and neighbor.*

We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and celebrate the work we're able to do together as a denomination (to learn more about the ELCA visit www.elca.org). We welcome all people and as a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation that welcome extends to the LGBTQ+ community.

Please fill out the enclosed Connection Form slip and drop it in an offering plate to receive more information about Elk River Lutheran or share prayer concerns.

Things to know for the service today:

- **Bathrooms**, complete with changing tables for little ones, are located in the Fellowship Hall in the corner opposite of the main entrance.
- We welcome **kids** with their wiggles and noises in worship. We are also aware that as a parent, time away from wiggles and noises can be a blessing too. You will find our staffed nursery (For children 5 and under) by the entrance in the far corner of the fellowship hall.

We hope and pray you have a wonderful worship experience here today. To learn more about the many opportunities to participate and volunteer with the ministries of ERLC, visit our website:

<https://www.elkriverlutheran.org>

Worship Volunteers

	Sunday, March 3	Sunday, March 10
Greeters	Christine Hansen and Sue Hovde	Amanda Lemire and Renee Thurmer
Ushers	Amanda Lemire and Tom Werk	Dixie Rud and Dale Ziner
Scripture Reader	Babs Armagost	Linda Nielsen
Communion Servers	Christine Hansen and Dale Ziner	John Barthel and Diana Schansberg
Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp	Jenny Stanley	Christine Hansen
Communion Steward	Larry Cook	Debbie Campbell
Mid-Week Communion Fill	Christine Hansen	Jodi Rosati
PowerPoint Operator	Mary Barthel	Mary Barthel
Soundboard Operator	Henry Boese	Bennett Johnson
Switcher Operator	Nick Campbell	Nick Campbell

If you would like to serve, Great! Please contact Taylor Quinn so we can get you filled in. If you cannot volunteer for the upcoming Sunday, please contact Taylor @ taylor@elkriverlutheran.org

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome

Gathering Hymn

(#526) "God Is Here" v1, 2 & 4

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise (p 139)

"Lord God, Heavenly King"

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Scripture Readings

Acts 9:1-22

Sermon

Pastor Nathan Mugaas

Hymn of the Day

(#722) "O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate" v1, 2 & 3

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Bible Presentation

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Holy, Holy, Holy (p 144)

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

"The Lord's Prayer"

Communion Hymns

(#334) "Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery"
(#752) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Communion Blessing & Prayer

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn

(#807) "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Sending Dialog

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Prayer Requests

Praise the Lord (joys and answered prayers):

- Baptism of Brent and Lindsey Johnson's children:
 - Emmett Anton (Sponsors Corey and Kristina Winkleman)
 - Autumn Rose (Sponsors Kate and Miles Litton)
 - Quentin Allen (Sponsors Jason and Jocelyn Chopskie)
 - Annika Quale (Sponsors Hannah Yokum and Teckly Gelderman)
- Third Grade Bible Milestone
 - Payton Brown
 - Evelyn Kallsen
 - Jackson Larson
 - Teddy Mugaas
 - Gwen Scheff
 - Madison Youngs
 - Harper Zins

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Gary Gibbons
- Family and Friends of Delphine Ode, sister of Kathy Dahl
- Family and Friends of Lindsey Dunn, niece of Pat and Paula Donnelly
- Burnsville Police, Fire and Ambulance Depts and their Families and Community

For Support

- Niece of Pam and Ron Black struggling with marital and mental health challenges

Health concerns

- Kathy, shoulder surgery Feb 29, daughter of Elsie Provencher
- Fonda Whalen, dementia
- Carol Roden, right knee replacement 3/5
- Rollie Boll
- Sara Anderson, cancer/chemo, sister of Lorie Schulstad-Werk
- Jared Steven's mom, in hospital
- Dan Ludden, terminal pancreatic cancer. Lifelong friend of Chris Brown's family
- Robin Skeie, cousin of Diana Schansberg
- John Severson
- Garnet Novotny - cancer
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Marie Abrahamsson, cancer, Pauline Kuhn's cousin
- Linda Retel, ongoing treatment for inoperable brain cancer (friend of Pauline Kuhn)
- Diane Harding, ALS diagnosis
- Brian Harding
- Mary Wells, pancreatic cancer
- Nancy Naig
- Diane McGrath, pancreatic cancer
- Ken Bucher
- Kris West, daughter of Bob and Sue Hagen
- Duane Jerde

Share Your Prayer Concerns:

- Email linda@elkriverlutheran.org
- Fill out on your connection form
- Contact the church office at (763) 595-1216
- Fill out form on church website at elkriverlutheran.org

Generally, prayer requests will run for 3 weeks. If more time is needed, please call the church office

A Sensory Experience

Today we learned about how Saul temporarily lost one of his senses: his vision. Below are all the different senses we use to experience life. Under each sense, list all the different ways you are experiencing worship today.

What do you SEE?



What do you HEAR?



What do you SMELL?



What do you TASTE?



What do you FEEL?



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P T H R O U G H U C F L G K M B T
N I R T A V E A Y H F U M D D I K
O Q R G R N V Y U A J O S R Q T
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Altered

Enemies

Saul

Ananias

Spirit

Transformation

Binary

Relationship

Resistance

Church

Encounter

Risen

Interaction

God

Action

Through

Vision

Divine

Perception

Co-Creation

News & Opportunities

Dinner Church Wednesdays at 6pm During Lent

Wednesdays in Lent are a time when we gather together for worship and fellowship. During the Lenten season you are invited to join us for Dinner Church (February 21, 28, March 6, 13 & 20), an event that combines a meal, fellowship, and worship into one shared experience. Dinner Church begins at 6:00 PM in the Community Room. You'll probably want to arrive ten to fifteen minutes early and find some people to sit with. Each week volunteers help get things set up, bring portions of the meal, and clean up afterward. We work together to make these gatherings happen and experience great fellowship together **Sign up today** to bring part of the meal at bit.ly/2024LentMeals

1st Communion. March 20th during Dinner Church

First Communion Service will be Wednesday, March 20th during Dinner Church. Each child (with at least one parent) participating in First Communion must attend the education and instruction class. 2 options to attend: (a) 3/13 7pm-8pm; or (b) 3/17 11:30pm-12:30pm. RSVP to Pastor Anne by March 10th



HOLY WEEK



Worship Volunteers Needed

1st Communion Dinner Church 3/20; Maundy Thurs 3/28; Good Fri 3/29

Please visit elkriverlutheran.org for available slots for weekday Lenten Worship services such as First Communion during Dinner Church, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Thank you!



This Week at Elk River Lutheran

SUNDAY

3rd Grade Bible Milestone (Both Services)

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect
9:30am Fellowship Hour
10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect
11:30am 3rd Grade Bible Instruction Class

MONDAY

10:00am Hospitality Meeting (*Quilting Room*)
6:30pm Grief Group: A Journey Through Loss
7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal

TUESDAY

9:00am Quilting (*Lower Level Quilting Room*)
Mission Quilts are made for Lutheran World Relief. All skill levels welcome.
10:00am Text Study (*Lower Level Community Room*) *Studying the bible text for the upcoming Sunday Worship along with the preaching pastor. All are welcome . Come once or come every week*
5:00pm Civil Rights Tour Potluck (*Fellowship Hall*)
6:00pm Riverside Ringers Rehearsal
6:30pm Mission Endowment Team (*2nd Floor Conference Room*)
7:00pm AA Meeting (*Community Room*)

WEDNESDAY

6:00pm Dinner Church

THURSDAY

10:00am Genealogy *Group* (*2nd Floor Conference Room*)
6:00pm Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Financial Peace University Class
7:00pm DEI&SJ Task Force (*2nd Floor Conference Room*)

FRIDAY

9:00am Women's Coffee (*Panera, Elk River*)
9:00am Men's Breakfast (*Coborns, Elk River*)

SATURDAY

8:00am Men's Bible Study (*Zoom Bible Study*)
Find a link at:
<https://www.elkriverlutheran.org/adult-ministries.html>

NEXT SUNDAY

Daylight Savings Time (*Spring Forward*)

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect
9:30am Fellowship Hour
10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect
1:00pm Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal



New Grief Group: Journey Through Loss

Loss of any kind can be difficult, but you don't have to go through it alone. Death, divorce, job changes, empty nesting, impaired physical abilities...whatever you are experiencing, come meet with others on the journey through grief and study the study the book of Ruth together. Led by Pastor Anne and other experienced Grief Ministers, this study will happen for 5 weeks on Mondays from 6:30-8pm, Feb 19th - March 18th. All are welcome, no cost.

Meet the Staff

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Kelli Horner

Conni Natwick

Jeff Schrock

Confirmation Links



Confirmation Worship
Notes Form



Confirmation Volunteer
Form

2023 Year End Giving Statements were emailed out to 2023 Givers on Thursday January 18th in the afternoon. It was only emailed to one member of the household. Check your spam/junk folder if you cannot find it. It came from linda@elkriverlutheran.org

Ways to Give



Cash / Check

Offering plate is
by the entrances
to the sanctuary



Mobile Giving QR Code



Text to Give

Text Give to
(612) 324-8257

Additional Ways to Give:

- **Automated Recurring Giving:** Set up online via website give button, via the Tithe.ly phone app or by contacting the church office
- **Stocks:** consider donating stocks through a conversation with your financial advisor and the church.

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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 4 pm; Fri Closed