

*March 24, 2024 • 8:30am*

*Palm Sunday Program*



*Palm Sunday*  
*Sunday of the Passion*



# **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](http://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**

	<b>Sunday, March 24</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Christy Boese and Dixie Rud
<b>Ushers</b>	Paul Hovde and Herm Weidner
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Jenny Stanley and Cale Stanley-Wornson
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>	Paula Rose
<b>Communion Steward</b>	Vicki Simpson
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>	Shirley Schmidt
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Sarah Auel
<b>Soundboard Operator</b>	John Auel
<b>Switcher Operator</b>	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](mailto:taylor@elkriverlutheran.org)*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome and Community Announcements

## ***The Gathering of God's People***

Blessing of the Palms

Gathering Hymn

**(ACS #928) "Pave the Way with Branches"**

## ***Palm Sunday Program***

Hymn of the Day

**(ELW #344) "All Glory Laud and Honor" v1, 3 & 5**

## ***Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God***

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

**"Jesus Paid It All"**  
featuring Levi Ethen and Amanda LeMire

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Holy, Holy, Holy

**(#413) "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" v1**

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymns

**(#334) "Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery"**  
**(#338) "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"**  
**(#592) "Just As I Am"**

Communion Blessing & Prayer

## ***Palm to Passion***

**Luke 23: 1-49**

**(#336) "Lamb of God"**

## ***The Sending of God's People***

Sending of the Congregation

Sending Dialog

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## Prayer Requests

### ***Praise the Lord*** (joys and answered prayers):

- 3 little ones from last week's prayer request
- Carol Roden's knee replacement surgery went great on 3/5. Discharged the same day and up walking! Thank you to everyone for your support and prayers. God is so very good!

### ***In Sympathy***

- Family and Friends of Richard, Linda Campbell's brother-in-law
- Family and Friends of Carol L Naig, sister-in-law of Chuck and Nancy Naig
- Family and Friends of Gary Gibbons

### ***For Support***

- Ron and Kathie Nielsen, Pete Nielsen's parents
- Robin Skeie, cousin of Diana Schansberg
- Carol Secrist, shingles in eyes, sister of Donna Mathison

### ***Health concerns***

- Mary Wells, in hospice
- Denita Lemmon, bone cancer. (daughter of Betty Lemmon)
- Doug Stam, friend of Tom & Marilyn Miller, 3/15 heart surgery
- Friend of Jim and Vicki Simpson with recently found cancer
- Sharee Kampa, serious back and neck problems (surgery last May failed). Daughter of Carol Black
- John Severson
- Garnet Novotny - cancer
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Fonda Whalen, dementia
- Bonnie Swedal
- 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
- 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](mailto: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](http://elkriverlutheran.org)

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

# The Triumphal Entry

Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!"  
 "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Mark 11:9 (NIV)



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HIGHEST	SHOUTED	DISCIPLES	LORD	JESUS
HEAVEN	CLOAKS	NAME	ROAD	COLT

## News & Opportunities



### *Life Groups begin the week of April 14<sup>th</sup>*



We are forming Life Groups (small groups that meet weekly for 6 weeks) to discuss each week's sermon topic. LIFE Groups provide a great opportunity to get to know people at the church, while having some good intentional conversation. Go to [elkriverlutheran.org](http://elkriverlutheran.org) and scroll down to the bottom of the page to register if you are interested in being part of a group. If you are already part of a group, please also sign up and tell us about your group and who is in it.

### *Are you our next New Member?..Join Our Church!*



To do so, we ask that you attend a New Member Orientation Class and complete our new member forms found at the top of [elkriverlutheran.org/forms](http://elkriverlutheran.org/forms). To sign up, let us know on the connection form with your bulletin or send an email to [linda@elkriverlutheran.org](mailto:linda@elkriverlutheran.org). Sunday, **April 21<sup>st</sup>** at 9:30am: *New Member Orientation*; Sunday, **April 28<sup>th</sup>** *New Member Sunday with Fellowship (choose the worship service that works for you)*

## *This Week at Elk River Lutheran*

### SUNDAY

**Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion**

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

### MONDAY

6:00pm 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*  
 6:00pm Riverside Ringers Rehearsal  
 7:00pm AA Meeting (Community Room)

### WEDNESDAY

6:00pm Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

9:30am Church Cleaning Party  
 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service

### FRIDAY

9:00am Women's Coffee (*Panera, Elk River*)  
 9:00am Men's Breakfast (*Coborns, Elk River*)  
 6:30pm Good Friday Service

### SATURDAY

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

10:00am Easter Decorating

### NEXT SUNDAY

*Easter Sunday*

8:00am Easter Service  
 9:30am Easter Service  
 11:00am Easter Service  
 12:00pm Easter Flowers can be picked up

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

**2024, January-February**

	February Actual	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
<i>Income (General Offering)</i>	\$48,431.17	\$93,316.01	\$91,483.90
<i>Expenses</i>	\$43,475.55	\$85,028.79	\$91,499.38
<i>Profit/Loss</i>	\$4,955.62	\$8,287.22	-\$15.48

## Meet the Staff

### **Pastor Nathan Mugaas**

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### **Pastor Anne Schaefer**

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### **Linda Nielsen**

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### **Taylor Quinn**

Director of Music Ministry & Worship

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### **Nick Campbell**

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### **Lisa Griffin**

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### **Lori Sundman**

Bookkeeper

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### **Nursery Attendants:**

Clara Anderson, Emma Anderson  
and Amy Brown

## Meet the Church Council

**President:**

Kent Larson

**Vice President:**

Tom Werk

**Treasurer:**

Julie Marie Haugen

**Secretary:**

Matt Glasoe

Amy Anderson

Zoey Day

Sue Hales

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 18<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.

## **Elk River Lutheran Church**

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