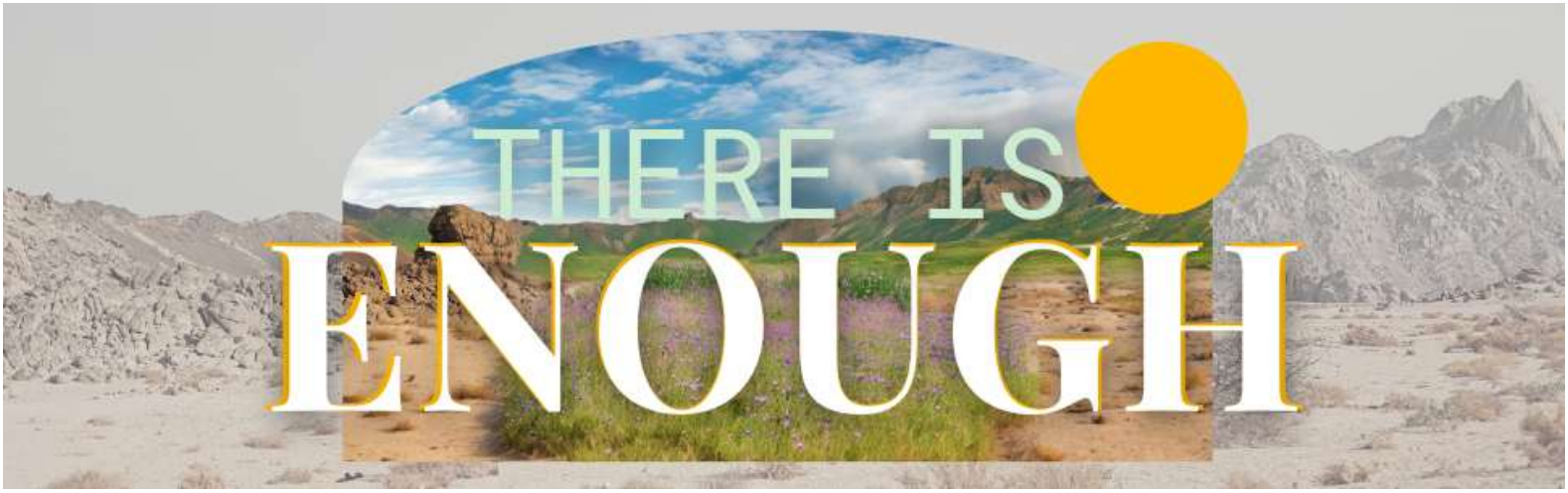
October 25, 2026

8:30 and 10:30 Worship Services



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:

- **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.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** are available. Please contact the Media Booth

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

Elk River LUTHERAN ELCA
Trusting in God's grace, an accepting, joyful community, serving God & neighbor.

8:30AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome

Gathering Hymn — ***ELW #504 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"***

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Song of Praise — ***"Above the Hills"***

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Kids Connect

Scripture Readings — *Exodus 16:2–16*

Sermon — *Pastor Nathan Mugaas*

Hymn of the Day — ***ELW #461 "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"***

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering — *"A Mighty Fortress"*

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Holy, Holy, Holy — ***"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"***

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God — ***"O Lamb of God"***

Communion Hymns — ***ELW #598 "For By Grace You Have Been Saved"***
ELW #502 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Communion Blessing & Prayer

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn — ***ELW #618 "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"***

Sending Dialog

10:30AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome
Sharing of the Peace
Gathering Song — ***"A Mighty Fortress"***

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day
Scripture Readings — *Exodus 16:2–16*
Sermon — *Pastor Nathan Mugaas*
Song of the Day — ***"Honey in the Rock"***

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Affirmation of Baptism
Offering — *"A Mighty Fortress"*
Offertory Prayer
Thanksgiving for Baptism
Holy Communion
The Lord's Prayer
Communion Song — ***"We Thank You, God"***
Communion Blessing

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements
Sending Blessing
Sending Song — ***"Now Thank We All Our God"***
Sending Dialog

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Worship Volunteers

	8:30AM Service		10:30AM Service	
	October 25	**November 1**	**October 25**	**November 1**
Greeters	Jim & Vicki Simpson	Amanda Lemire Ken Wells	Adam & Kelli Horner	Lee & Peg Davies
Ushers	Jane Domeier Kristina Erickson	John & Karen Froelich	Jim & Viv Ayres	Tom & Joyce Hels
Scripture Reader	Kari Christianson	Cedric Olson	Sarah Chur	Kelli Horner
Communion Servers	Debbie Campbell Jenny Pruchnik	Milo & Kari Christianson Diana Schanberg	Jodie Dahlheimer Laura Guimont	Genevieve Chur Melania Larson
Communion Steward	Julie Marie Haugen	Amy Cox	Lisa Bossany	Cathy Dalnes
Mid-Week Communion Fill	Chris Hansen	Jana Lundquist	Chris Hansen	Jana Lundquist
Powerpoint Operator	Mike Pruchnik	Dale Ziner	Shari Howland	Mike Anderson
Soundboard Operator	Tom Clements	Mike Pruchnik	Kevin Jenkins	Brad Evert
Switcher Operator	Tom Clements	Tom Clements	Tom Clements	Tom Clements
Volunteer Coordinator	Vicki Simpson Jenny Pruchnik	Jenny Pruchnik	Chris Hansen	Chris Hansen

If you would like to serve, Great! Please get in touch with the Worship Volunteer Coordinating Team so we can get you filled in. If you cannot volunteer for the upcoming Sunday, also contact the Team at erlcvolunteers@gmail.com

Announcements

Join the Community Christmas Choir!

Love to sing? All are welcome to join the Community Christmas Choir! Rehearsals begin **Monday, November 2, from 6:00–8:00 PM** at Elk River United Methodist Church. The choir will present a special Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 6, at 3:00 PM** at Central Lutheran Church. No audition required—just a love of singing and community! To participate or learn more, contact **Taylor Quinn by October 26.**

Open Forum: Made for These Times – October 25

Join us for the final conversation in our *Made for These Times* series as we welcome our own **Sue Sass**! Sue will share **a community pyramid** exploring the conditions and factors that can lead to violence. Together, we'll reflect on what we see in our own community and how we can respond with compassion, courage, and faith. Come be part of this meaningful conversation!

All Saints Sunday – November 1

Join us for All Saints Sunday as we welcome **Pastor Natalia Terfa** as our guest preacher at both the 8:30 and 10:30 AM worship services. Pastor Natalia is a Lutheran pastor, author, and host of the *Cafeteria Christian* podcast. Her sermon, **"It All Counts,"** reminds us that even the smallest acts of love, kindness, and faithfulness matter. During both services, we will also remember and honor the saints who have gone before us with a special candle lighting.

Fall Back! Daylight Saving Time Ends November 1

Don't forget to turn your clocks **BACK one hour** before heading to bed on Saturday, October 31! Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 1. Enjoy that extra hour of sleep, and we'll see you bright and early for worship at 8:30 or 10:30 AM!

Funeral & Memorial Planning Workshop

Sunday, November 8 | 9:40–10:20 AM
Lower Level – Community Room
Planning ahead is a thoughtful gift to those we love. Join Pastor Nathan for a workshop offering guidance and resources to help you plan your own funeral or memorial service. Learn how your wishes can reflect your faith while providing comfort, clarity, and peace of mind for your loved ones.

Sandwich Making Event – November 18

Join us **Wednesday, November 18, 6:00–7:45 PM**, as we once again come together to make **1,000 sandwiches for area food shelves and ministries!** Dinner is served at 6:00 PM, and **everyone is welcome to lend a hand.**

Want to help even more? **Sign up to donate supplies or deliver finished sandwiches** to our ministry partners. Supplies are due **Sunday, November 15 at noon.**

Kids Connect Volunteers Needed

Help kids (PreK–5th) grow in faith on **Sundays during worship** through crafts, games, and Bible stories. *Lessons and supplies are provided—just bring your smile*! Sign up with the QR code or visit the **Children, Youth & Family** page on our website.

Become a New Member at Elk River Lutheran!

Interested in making Elk River Lutheran your church home? Join us for our **New Member Luncheon & Orientation on Sunday, November 15 at 11:30 AM**. Lunch will be provided as we share more about ERLC's vision, ministries, and life together.

New members will then be welcomed during worship on **New Member Sunday, November 22**, at either the **8:30 AM or 10:30 AM service**.

Sign up using the Connection Form, visit **elkriverlutheran.org/forms**, or contact Linda in the church office at **linda@elkriverlutheran.org**.

Prayer Requests

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

- Students affirming their baptism during the Confirmation Service today, October 25th at 10:30 am.
    - Faith Bourdeaux
    - Lucy Day
    - Nathaniel Sandvig
    - Caleb Scheff
    - Hadley Schmidt
    - Myles Wagner

In Sympathy

- Family and friends of Sonja Nielsen, aunt of Pete Nielsen
- Family and Friends of Beverly Hodges
- Family and Friends of Laura Gildemeister, eldest daughter of the late Darrell Gildemeister

For Support

- Linda Niemeyer's daughter Sam to help her with anxiety as she continues to battle with since her cancer diagnosis.

Health Concerns

- Sue Hales, broken arm
- Dale Ziner, hand surgery on October 22nd.
- John Sackmeister – Vicki Sackmeister's husband, battling cancer. Pray for John and the family during this time.
- John Campbell – Prayers for continued healing following hospitalization and for a successful upcoming procedure to remove a kidney stone.
- Amy Anderson's Father Don for upcoming kidney surgery
- Linda Niemeyer's friend and her family —
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Les Johnson, friend of Don & Val Nelson
- Alex Hensen cancer treatment
- Bryana Mayer prayers for healing autoimmune diseases, daughter of Sharyn Mayer
- Brian Harding
- Cheryl advanced cancer, sister-in-law of Ron & Sue Sass
- Fonda Whalen dementia
- Hartley Dahl
- Kay Foss esophageal and stomach cancer, Karen Froelich's cousin
- Ken Bucher
- Kris West, daughter of Bob and Sue Hagen
- Loretta Mae Roden in hospice care, Mike Roden's mom

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

There is Enough

Enough	Winderness	Generosity	Trust
Freedom	Bread	Sharing	Grace
Israelites	Confirmation	Manna	Provision
Abundance	Faith	Promise	Gather
Blessings	Moses	Gratitude	Stewardship

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