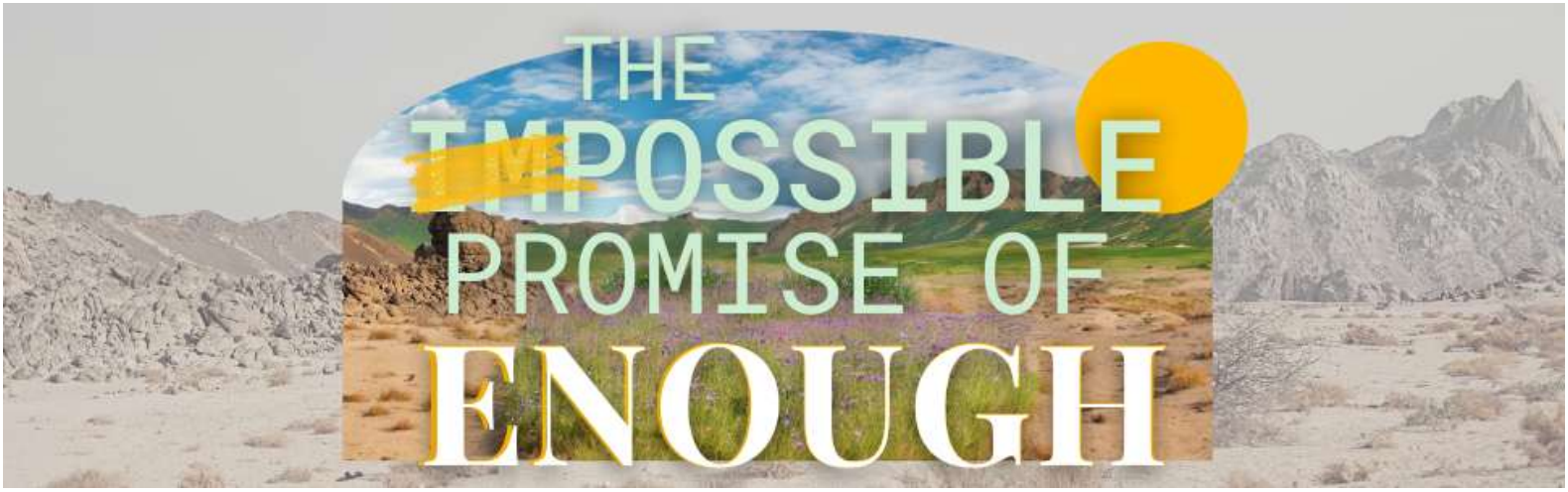
November 8, 2026

WHAT MONEY IS FOR

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 #689 "Praise and Thanksgiving"***

Confession & Forgiveness

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

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Kids Connect

Scripture Readings — *1 Timothy 6:17–19*

Sermon — *Pastor Nathan Mugaas*

Hymn of the Day — ***ELW #695 "As Saints of Old"***

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

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 Hymn — ***ELW #685 "Take My Life, That I May Be"***
ELW #655 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"

Communion Blessing & Prayer

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn — ***ELW #674 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"***

Sending Dialog

10:30AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome
Sharing of the Peace
Gathering Song — ***"Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love"***

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day
Scripture Readings — *1 Timothy 6:17–19*
Sermon — *Pastor Nathan Mugaas*
Song of the Day — ***"Grateful"***

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Offering — *"Reckless Love"*
Offertory Prayer
Confession & Forgiveness
Holy Communion
The Lord's Prayer
Communion Song — ***"For All That You Have Done"***
Communion Blessing

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements
Sending Blessing
Sending Song — ***"Oh Give Thanks"***
Sending Dialog

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Worship Volunteers

	8:30AM Service		10:30AM Service	
	November 8	**November 15**	**November 8**	**November 15**
Greeters	Bob & Sandy Krumwiede	Chuck & Jane Cazett	Mandy & Lucy Day	John & Conni Natwiick
Ushers	John Barthel Dale Ziner	Annika Gottschalk Renee Thurmer	Joe Livingston Dan Nelson	Tom & LuAnn Wingard
Scripture Reader	Conni Natwick	Dale Ziner	Noelle Kuitunen-Johnson	Kara Hennig
Communion Servers	Cedric & Marlys Olson	Paul Hovde Ed & Deb Shellum	Mike Anderson Samantha Tiemens-Anderson	Joe & Kerry Livingston
Communion Steward	Debbie Campbell	John Barthel	Greg Pouliot	Nancy Bock
Mid-Week Communion Fill	Julie Marie Haugen	Cedric & Marlys Olson	Julie Marie Haugen	Cedric & Marlys Olson
Powerpoint Operator	Mary Barthel	Mary Barthel	Shari Howland	Matt Rotz
Soundboard Operator	Kevin Jenkins	Kevin Jenkins	Justin Howland	Emily Rotz
Switcher Operator	Tom Clements	Tom Clements	Tom Clements	Tom Clements
Volunteer Coordinator	Vicki Simpson	Jenny Pruchnik Vicki Simpson	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

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.**

🎄 Community Caroling: Downtown Tree Lighting

Kick off the Christmas season with music and cheer! Join the ERLC Carolers and Riverside Ringers as we sing familiar carols at the Downtown Elk River Tree Lighting Ceremony.

- **Date:** Thursday, Nov 19
- **Time:** 4:45 PM (Call Time) • Ceremony starts at 5:00 PM
- **Meeting Point:** ERLC Fellowship Hall
- **Details:** All skill levels welcome. Lyric sheets provided—no rehearsal needed!
- **RSVP:** Let Taylor know you're coming (taylor@elkriverlutheran.org

Pie Sunday – November 22! 🥧

Join us for a sweet time of fellowship on Sunday, November 22, from 9:30–10:30 AM! Enjoy a delicious variety of homemade pies while sharing conversation and community.

We need your pies! If you would like to bring a pie to share, please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Pies should be delivered to the church by 9:00 AM on Sunday, November 22.

Come hungry, bring a friend, and enjoy a slice (or two!) of fellowship!

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.

Thank you, Elk River Lutheran 😊

Your coat drive helped us give out **764** winter coats for folks in need at our Community Connect event.

THANK YOU!!
Kat Sarff, Executive Director
Sherburne County Area United Way

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

Please keep the Elk River Lutheran Call Committee in your prayers. We give thanks **for Amy Anderson, Katherine Horner, Joseph Livingston, Nathan Mugaas, Jennifer Pruchnik, Emily Rotz, and Susan Sass** and their willingness to serve. Pray for wisdom, patience, discernment, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as they begin the important work of seeking our next Associate Pastor.

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

- Thank you for the prayers for John Campbell. His surgery was a success, and he is getting better.

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Patty Morris, friend of Pete and Linda Nielsen
- Family and Friends of Kris West, daughter of Bob and Sue Hagen
- Family and friends of Charlie Brown
- Family and friends of Sonja Nielsen, aunt of Pete Nielsen

For Support

- Mandi, friend of Jenny Pruchnik — Prayers for strength, peace, and comfort as she grieves the loss of her grandmother and a friend while supporting children through mental health challenges.

Health Concerns

- John Schulstad, brother of Lorie Schulstad-Werk, new lung cancer diagnosis
- Tracey, friend of many in our congregation — Prayers for healing, strength, and recovery following a stroke. Submitted by Conni Natwick.
- Mary Dwyer, spinal difficulty and pain – diagnosis needed
- Robin Lease, Pat Guimont's sister. Recovering from a huge back surgery and heart issues. In a nursing home for rehab.
- Tammy Lund, Heart Attach. She is the office manager at Servant of Christ, Champlin
- Lucy Boeshans, back surgery, Oct 29
- Sue Hales, broken arm
- Dale Ziner, hand surgery on October 22nd.
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- John Sackmeister – Vicki Sackmeister's husband, battling cancer. Pray for John and the family during this time.
- 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
- 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

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