

SEASONS

Be prepared in season and out of season
2 Timothy 4:2



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The Gift of Stained Glass at Elm Grove Lutheran Church

When our church was originally built in the mid 1950's, it didn't include the exquisite stained glass art that is in place today. It wasn't until 1974, when "wings" were added to each side of the nave, that the stained glass windows were built into that addition.

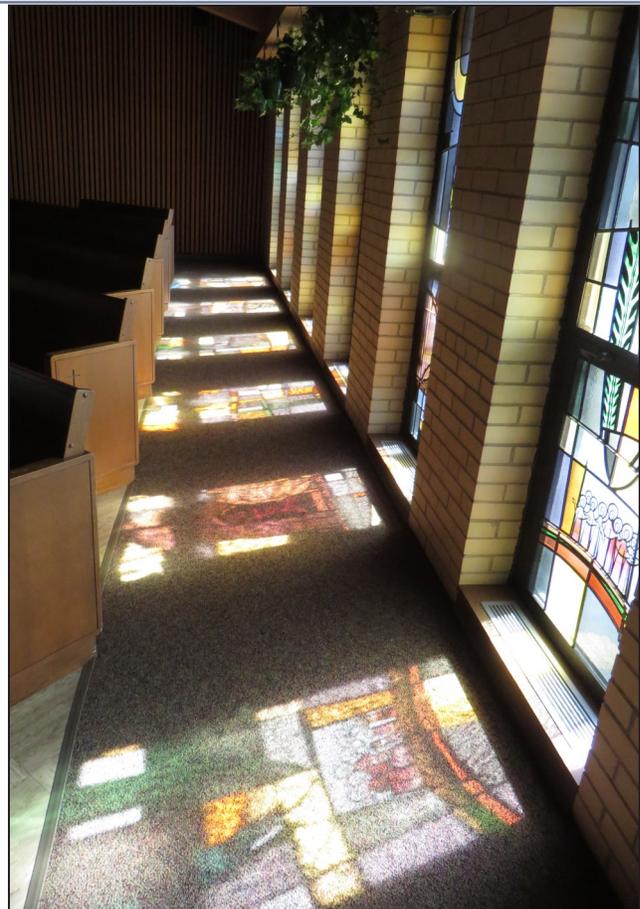
The windows that depict the Life of Christ, are the result of the vision, the faith, and the love for God's house, which resulted in a bequest from member, Carl K. Egelhoff. They are dedicated to the glory of God in his memory and the memory of his beloved wife, Viola R. Egelhoff.

Pictured below is the late day sun streaming through the west side of the nave, illuminating the stained glass designs, along with their messages, into the church.

In this, and in future issues of *Seasons*, we'll highlight each of the stained glass windows. See page 3 for the Baptismal artwork.



The Chancel remodel in 1983 included the addition of a beautiful 2 story stained glass window, on the west side of the altar.



From Your Pastor

Membership, Even Friendship

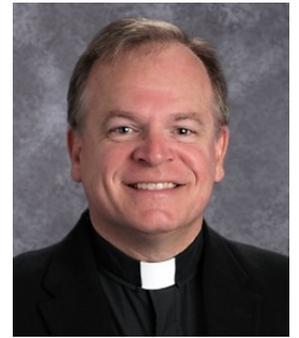
On Sunday, Sept 19, the Board of Evangelism hosted a reception between the services for relatively new members, giving the congregation a chance to celebrate them and give thanks to God for expanding our fellowship. But membership is a word that has fallen on tough times. Nowadays people are increasingly reluctant to be identified with a particular group, especially if that group is viewed by the larger community as traditional, Western, and Christian! There are still lots of people around but they are less and less likely to join, which is another reason to celebrate those folks who do willingly stand with us!

But what exactly does it mean – for the new individual and for us old timers (!) – to welcome members into the Body of Christ here in this place? What can you expect from them, and they from you? What does membership at EGL mean? For starters we can look at the questions asked of everyone in the rite of Confirmation and/or Affirmation of Faith. Therein we see the rejection of the devil and all his ways and works, the confession that God – the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – is the only true God, and that we will allow the Word of God to shape our hearts and minds through regular (and frequent) participation in worship. In fact, we state that we'd rather die than fall away from the Church.

At first blush that seems kind of severe, and it is certainly meant to be serious, but when you know who God is and what He has done for you, the lengths He has gone in saving you and me, who did not deserve one bit of His love and mercy, then that promise "to suffer all even death rather than fall away" becomes a no-brainer. Duh! Why would we do anything else than cling to Christ when we understand the depth of our sin and what it cost God to save us? Is it possible that too many folks have forgotten or never understand the depth of the problem and the cost of our salvation?

So, based just on the questions and answers in Confirmation/Affirmation of Faith, when we look around at those who gather for worship and participate in our life together, we can assume that they believe the Bible to be the inerrant, infallible Word of God, useful for teaching, and training, and correcting, and most importantly for pointing us to Christ and His cross. We rejoice that they hold dear the Reformation principles of faith alone, grace alone, and Christ alone. We can also assume that they know (and rejoice!) that our worship life is a liturgical and sacramental one. That means we confess with the Church of all generations that our gracious Lord uses means to communicate, convey, deliver the very Body and Blood of the God-Man Christ and the fruits of His salvation to us. This historic, Biblical way of worshipping is shaped by the Word of God and not by the perceived

needs of a dying world. They also know that we are a singing church which gladly sings the Church's song from centuries past even as we incorporate new and appropriate songs.



Pastor Skougaard

It is of course possible that people will join our fellowship (or even grow up within the community) without fully realizing these truths, or they've forgotten, or worst of all disbelieving them.

These scenarios are possible but the best we can ever do is take people at their word when they confess these things. We can't read anyone's heart; all we can do is go by what they tell us, and then measure their words by their deeds. But know, all the while, that they have a right to expect the same from us. The longevity of our membership doesn't give us a free pass on the great truths of the faith. Expectations go both ways.

Another aspect of joining EGL or any confessional Lutheran Church, nowadays especially, is the recognition that this is a profoundly counter-cultural act. Joining the fellowship of a given Church has always been so, but we are being reminded of it daily. *"By faith Moses, when he grew up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward"* (Heb 11:24-26). What Christ offers and gives us is so much greater than friendship with the world delivers.

Speaking of friendship, that is a really good word for describing membership in the Church. In my first call, a young lady of the congregation one day blurted out her hope that I wasn't going to force her to get too involved because "frankly I can find better friends elsewhere." For her, membership in the church was like so many clubs one might join. But Biblical friendship is a bond of love. It is essential to the Christian life because it is a fruit of godly virtue, a gift of God's grace, and a way of grateful obedience to God.

We could even call friendship an aspect of Christian discipleship. One consequence of communion with Christ ought to be communion with fellow Christians. A Christian who fellowships with Christ ought to abide in fellowship with those who also fellowship with Christ. The church is thus a communion of friends. A faithful Christian can promote the peace, purity, and unity of the church by giving the grace received from God to one another in love.

We often define friendship as something people have when they share a common history, as well as common interests and goals. How much more ought that be said of us at EGL! When you consider what we share in common in the faith, EGL could easily be seen as that place where our best friends are found. If we viewed it as such, I wonder how that might affect our life together?

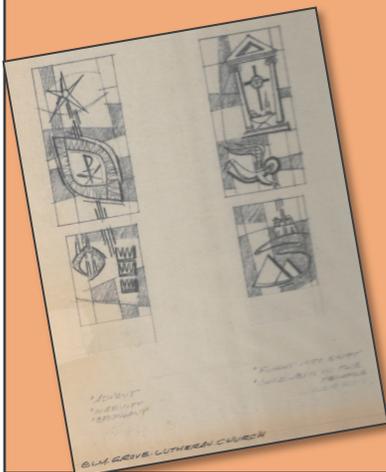
Baptismal Stained Glass



“Let the little children come to me”
is the invitation of our loving Savior, Jesus, who is pic-
tured with welcoming, open arms. Since we come to
Him through the
Sacrament of Baptism,
text is reproduced below
His image, along with
water and the symbol of
the Trinity.

Mark 10:13-16; Matthew
18:1-6; Matthew 28:19-20

At left are pencil drawings
that were created at the
inception of the stained
glass art design process.

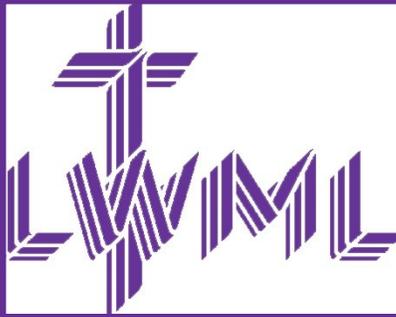


The Battle of Poitiers

On Oct 10, in the year of our Lord 732, Charles Martel (The Hammer) crushes the invading Muslim army. Musa bin Nusayr, Umayyad governor in North Africa, invaded Spain in 709 AD. By 715 he and his armies were standing at the foot of the Pyrenees. Musa had originally hoped to make his way home to Damascus by way of Constantinople, thus subjugating Christian Europe on his way. Musa’s ambitions however were noticed, with jealousy, and he was recalled by the Caliph and imprisoned where he died. Abdul Rahman was eventually appointed governor of Spain. Of course, Abdul was not content with Spain and saw an opportunity to attack deeper into France. Burning and pillaging his way through the countryside, Abdul hoped to sack the basilica of St Martin of Tours, not far from Paris. But Abdul’s army met the Frankish army, whose men “stood as motionless as a wall, they were like a belt of ice frozen together, and not to be dissolved, as they slew the Arab with the sword.” Despite being greatly outnumbered, Charles Martel and his army crushed the jihadists. It was here at Tours/Poitier that Charles was first called “The Hammer”. Although it took a couple of more years to finally drive them over the Pyrenees, the Muslim hordes were finally expelled from Europe north of the Pyrenees. It would take centuries to finally kick the Moors out of Spain – in fact, not until the same year Columbus sailed the ocean blue in 1492.

It is always appropriate to thank God for His blessings, especially the freedom to worship our Lord Jesus Christ and receive His gifts without fear of our enemies. On this cool October morning, with Psalm 144:1 in mind, I offer the following prayer for those who protect us: “Lord God of hosts, stretch forth Your almighty arm to strengthen and protect those who serve in the armed forces of our country. Support them in times of war, and in times of peace keep them from all evil, giving them courage and loyalty. Grant that in all things they may serve with integrity and with honor; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.”

Psalm 144:1 reads, “Blessed be the LORD, my rock, who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle.”



Each year our Elm Grove Lutheran LWML observes LWML Sunday to help congregation members to become more informed about LWML. This LWML Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, October 3, in both services. Come

check out the display in the back of church and find out what mission grants have been funded; pick up some mite boxes for your donation of mites; pick up some previous issues of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*; select some short devotions of interesting topics; and talk with representatives of our LWML. Also, in the church service, hear more about the work of LWML, sing the LWML song, and pray for the LWML.

The LWML morning group will meet in the BAAC on Wednesday, October 6, at 10:00 a.m. The Bible study, **"Merciful Care,"** found on page 22 of the fall issue of *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*, centers around the Bible story of "The Good Samaritan." We will discuss how our

heavenly Father is merciful to us and how we can be merciful to neighbors in need. All ladies of our congregation are very welcome to this meeting.

The LWML Zone 3 Rally is scheduled for Saturday, October 30, 2021 at Lamb of God Lutheran Church, located at N19W25050 Blue Mound Road, Pewaukee, WI, starting at 9:30 a.m. A change from previous rallies, is that lunch will be served at the end of the rally instead of a breakfast. The speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Christian Ikanih of Bethany Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, WI. Not only will he speak of their inner-city mission goals, but he will relate the mission work that is being accomplished at Bethany Lutheran Church in Asaba Delta State, Nigeria. Mission grant #8 will be providing \$12,000 to go towards completion of the building of this church. In keeping with the mission theme, the ingathering will be school items for the students at their Lutheran School in Nigeria. Check our LWML bulletin board in the lower entrance to see the specific items needed. All ladies of our church are invited to attend this inspiring rally.

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations."
(Matthew 28:19a)

Barbara Kurth



LWML Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

The Monday night LWML ladies are once again assembling "Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes".

These boxes are filled with toiletry items, school supplies, small toys, mittens, caps, and other useful items.

They are presented to the children at Christmas time.

These are for boy or girl range **5 to 9 years of age**.

If you would like to donate to this cause you may put your items in the "mite" box located at the base of the LWML bulletin board in the foyer.

We will assemble them on **October 11**.



LWML is once again making soup jars. This year they have a partner! Cookie jars!!

These make great Christmas gifts. The proceeds help fund the Mission Grants and also send delegates to convention as voters.

They will be available Nov. 20 and 21.

Beat the crowd and call Jean Kruse (262-786-4520) to reserve yours before the actual date.

Our motto is "try before you buy!" There will be samples at the table.

They sell for \$7.00 per jar or three jars for \$20.00. **Mix or Match.**



MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

ADMISSION INTO MEMBERSHIP:

By Transfer:

Beverly Mueller
20825 George Hunt Circle
Waukesha, WI 53186



"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders, and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."

(Hebrews 12:1)

Elm Grove Lutheran's Board Members at Work for our Church

The Lord has blessed EGL with many devoted members who serve on the various boards. They are essential volunteers who contribute to the smooth and complete functioning of our church and school. Every month, *Seasons* will feature the individuals who have been elected to each board. We thank them for their service! Praise be to God.



Stewardship Board

For the 2021-2022 church year, the Stewardship Board will direct the development of the annual Stewardship campaign titled, "Faithful Stewards of God's Infinite Grace."

The campaign will kick-off during the services on October 21-24 and go through November 11-14.

The article below represents the initial message for the campaign.

The board will be instrumental in ensuring that each of EGL's boards is featured in a future issue of *Seasons* to inform the congregation of who they are, and what their goals are.

Stewardship is in need of one more member. Prayerfully consider serving with them.

The Board of Stewardship members, pictured at left, are (left to right): Kelsey Lindholm, Katie Scepanski, Steve Hipenbecker.

"Faithful Stewards of God's Infinite Grace"

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10).

We are entering into our annual stewardship emphasis entitled, "Faithful Stewards of God's Infinite Grace." During the next few weeks, we will consider what it means to be a "faithful steward" and how our stewardship translates into practical Christianity.

This emphasis is built in its entirety on two concepts: First, God owns everything! As Psalm 24:1 states clearly, "The earth is the LORD'S, and the fullness thereof." God owns it all and has never relinquished the title deed to the world. Second, our responsibility is to manage that which belongs to God which God has entrusted to us. In other words, all that we have is a blessing from God and represents that which God has loaned to us on a temporary basis.

What kinds of things belong to God? Certainly our time is a gift from our Heavenly Father that is given to everyone equally. All of us have the same amount of time — 24 hours per day. How we use our time is what makes the difference for this life and for eternity. Some will squander their time by giving priority to activities that carry little impact for eternity. Others will invest their time wisely for God's glory and for the good of others.

Our talents are also gifts on loan from God. Not everyone receives an equal amount of talents or abilities, but all of us can excel at something. Some are called to a public ministry whereby what they do is highly visible, including pastors, worship leaders, and teachers. Others are called to a less visible role in the ministry and work of the church. But all of us are given talents and abilities which can be used for God's glory and to strengthen the Gospel outreach here at Elm Grove Lutheran Church.

The question is not *whether we can* do something for the Lord. The question is *if we will* use our talents and abilities to serve God. Unfortunately, many times, we offer excuses to avoid serving the Lord, excuses that often appear humorous when applied to other activities. Stop and think about it: 80% of the work in most churches is done by 20% of the people. The rest have made other activities a priority for their time and talents.

As one of the "Faithful Stewards of God's Infinite Grace" here at Elm Grove Lutheran Church, will you go against that trend by making a commitment to the "Proprietor of the Universe" to use the time and talents that have been given to you to make a difference in the ministry and outreach of our church? Remember, as one of those to whom God has entrusted time, talents and treasure, God is counting on you. . . .

HURRICANE IDA

We have all seen the images of destruction and disruption from the Gulf Coast due to Hurricane Ida.

The new Executive Assistant to the President for Mission and Mercy, Nathan Meador, has informed us about the ways we have available, as a District, individual congregations, and individual stewards, to respond in an organized manner to assist in the care of our neighbors to the south.

Here are the best ways that you can respond:

Monetary contribution to the recovery effort: <https://www.lcms.org/givenow/disaster>

If you would like to volunteer your time and efforts: <https://www.lcms-lert.org/>

HELPING
THE VICTIMS OF DISASTER



Elm Grove Lutheran Church
Bulletin Board

**32nd Annual
Milwaukee Area LifeChain**
Sunday, October 3, 2:00-3:30 p.m.
(see page 10 for more information)

**Flu Vaccine Clinic — Sunday, October 10
Fellowship Hall – Between morning services**



The normal flu vaccine will be offered; it does not offer protection from COVID-19.

Please let JoAnn Randall or Martha D'Agostino know if you will be there.

**THEOLOGICAL
MAN CAVE**



The "Theological Man Cave" is held at Revere's restaurant at 505 Wells St. In Delafield from 7:00 to 8:30ish.

A 45-60 minute presentation is given on one topic that then serves as the grist for our conversations as we enjoy drinks and snacks.

On **Thursday, October 14, at 7 p.m.** Pastor Skovgaard will give a presentation on **"Responding to the Cults: Dealing with the Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, and Christian Scientists."**

The "Theological Man Cave" is meant to complement the monthly "Stammtisch."



**PARENTS OF
COLLEGE STUDENTS:**

Pastor Reseburg would like to connect with your college students. Please email Pastor Reseburg (areseburg@egl.org) with your student's mailing address and email address.



EGL Sunday School is in need of teachers and assistants for all ages. We are flexible regarding your availability and talents. The Lord needs volunteers to teach His stories.

Join our team to spread the Gospel.
Call Linda at 262-786-1203.

**Attention Women of EGL—
there is a new Women's group forming**



The group met socially in September to plan and discuss what they'd like to do and how often to get together, etc. Please call **Deb Weller at 262-290-8665** with questions or to express interest in the group. Watch the newsletter for our October gathering and additional information.

NEED TO COME INTO THE BUILDING?

We are asking that everyone, even if you have a key, who needs to come into the building during school hours, please enter through the Church/School office doors to receive a visitor pass from Mrs. Stroh or Ms. Brown. It is important that we know who is in the building. We understand that this may be an inconvenience, however we appreciate everyone's cooperation.

EGL Guys!

Fall is upon us!! New schedules, new routines... Please don't forget to include EGL Stammtisch in yours! Take a break, kick back and join us on **Thursday, October 21, from 7:30-9:00 p.m.** for good libation, conversation, and fellowship!

This month we will again be at our "normal" meeting place, Biloba Brewing Company, 2970 N Brookfield Rd (look for the big grain hopper in front!) Bring some snacks to share and be ready for lively banter that runs the gamut, but always in a fun, informal atmosphere of Christian fellowship! If you have any questions, contact Bruce Bessert by phone/text at 414-526-8430, or by email at bruce.bessert@gmail.com.

Hope to see you there...please RSVP...and bring a friend!!



Elm Grove Lutheran Church
Bulletin Board



Ladies (14 to 104), save the date, Sunday, November 28, 2021, for the return of Advent by Candlelight, 3:30 -5:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall.
It is our hope and prayer to be able to gather again to prepare our hearts for the celebration of Jesus' birth. Plans are being made for an afternoon of candlelit tables, music and carols of the season, delicious food, and a message focused on our Lord and Savior. - Judy Hogan and Carole Braun

The International students at Martin Luther High School would appreciate homemade evening meals and Christian fellowship at their dorms. Currently there are about 15 students from China, Italy, France, and Puerto Rico living in the dorm. This is a great opportunity to share Christ's love with those who may not know Him. For more information, contact Cory and Cheryl Castaneda, dorm parents. CCastaneda@martinlutherhs.org



BREAD & FISH

Jim Olson and Ron Wegner delivered 40 boxes of clothes and 1 box of food to Holy Ghost & Mission of Christ Lutheran Churches on Aug. 31 & Sept. 1.

The school is asking for **volunteers to pick up hot lunches** from Revere's in Delafield on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and deliver them to the school on those days by 11:15 a.m. The kids would appreciate it! There is a sign-up sheet in the school office. Any day you choose will help, even if it's only a day or two occasionally. If you or someone that you know would be interested, please contact Sandy Brown at sbrown@egl.org. Thank you in advance!

VIEW OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE!

FREE App for iPhone, iPad & Android

Our church directory is a great resource tool that allows you to get to know our church family better!

Simply go to the App Store, search for *Instant Church Directory* and download the FREE app to begin.

You will use your email address listed in the directory to CREATE A LOGIN the first time you use the directory app.

If you're not listed in the directory, OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.

Available on the App Store



Gather the family, Smile, and Say Cheese!

EGL is updating their pictorial directory. a photo station will be set up in the West Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, October 3** Stop by between the services and have your picture taken and information updated.

*If you can't make it, stay tuned to the October Seasons and weekly newsletter for more details on submitting a photo.



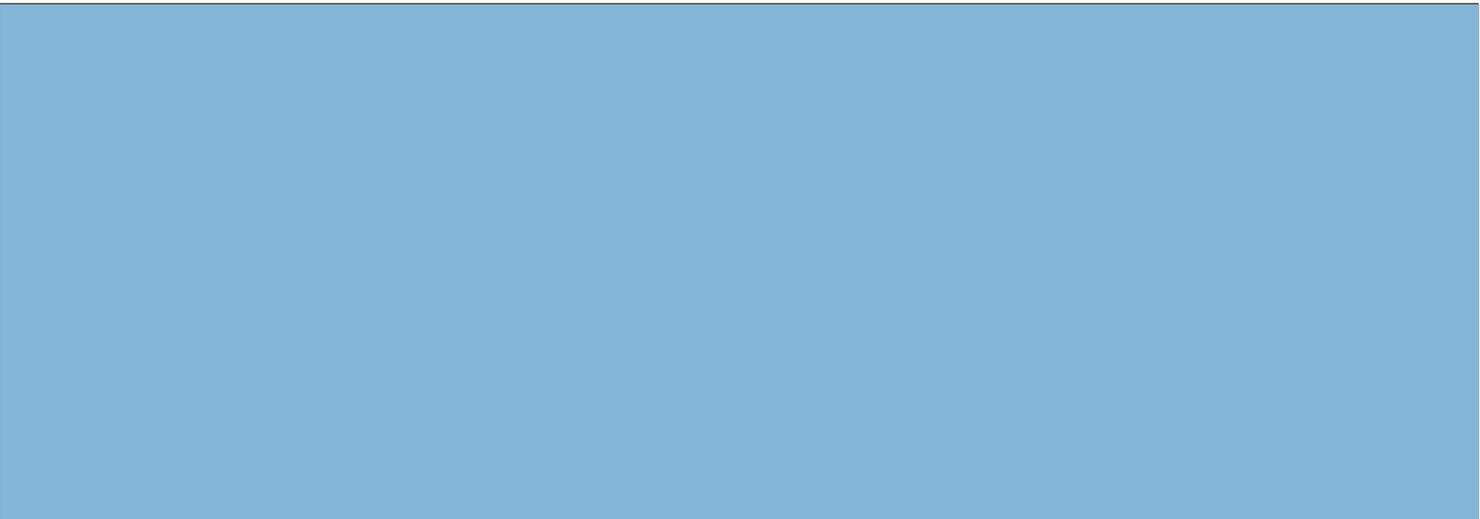
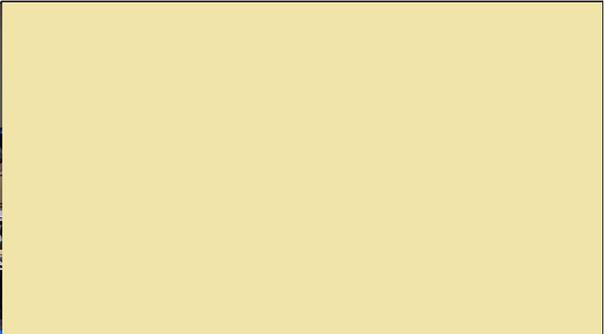
Life Together

"God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."
(1 Cor. 1:9)



"The pastor teaches God's Word to God's people. Through the ministry of the pastor, God forms His people in the Word to understand it, believe it, and live it, including parents, commissioned church workers and pious laypersons."

- Rev. Dr. James Banek,
Executive Director of the
LCMS Office of Pastoral
Education



"We pray for the big things and forget to give thanks for the ordinary, small (and yet really not small) gifts."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Christian Community*

Happy 100th Birthday to Elaine Olson!



On October 10, EGL member, Elaine Olson, will turn 100 years old. We give thanks to God for Elaine's long life, and her many positive contributions to our church.

Elaine, and her late husband, Kenneth, joined Elm Grove Lutheran in 1959. Their daughter Elyce, three sons: Jim, Dave and the late Kris, grew up at the church, and went to school here. Jim, and his wife, Diane, are currently active members. In addition to having four children, she has eight grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Throughout her 60+ years as a member, Elaine has shown exceptional stewardship, supporting church activities in Ladies Service League, Friendship Library, Arts & Crafts Group, Altar Guild, PTL, Golden Friends, and many years as a Den Mother with Cub Scouts. As a side-note she also hand painted the Nativity figures we use in the front of church every year at Christmas.

We celebrate with Elaine and her family as she reaches the milestone age of 100 years. And, we give heartfelt thanks to Elaine for her service to our church. May God continue to bless her life.

Elaine lives in Brookfield. If you would like to send her a birthday greeting, you can put a card in her mailbox at church.



A message of gratitude from Rev. Harold and Jane Senkbeil



THANKS - We were humbled and amazed by all the people who turned out for the open house to celebrate our golden wedding anniversary Sunday, September 5.

Elm Grove Lutheran is truly an exemplary body of Christ in which: "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together." (1 Corinthians 12:26)

Thank you to Pastor Skovgaard for leading the prayers and praises, to all who attended and for the many beautiful cards and messages we received. All praise to our gracious God who has blessed us beyond measure over five decades of marriage and still richly and daily provides us with all we need to support this body and life through the help and support we receive from so many - including you!

Harold and Jane Senkbeil



Pastor Skovgaard embraces longtime friends, Carmen Nieting and Paul Gruetzmacher between services recently. Carmen and Paul share memories and experiences from our day school. Carmen's husband, Robert, was our school's first principal. Paul was a respected, beloved teacher for many years.



The Evangelism board and its supporting team operates the photo booth, and will be in the West Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, October 3**, to take your photo for the new EGL pictorial directory.



32nd Annual Milwaukee Area LifeChain

Sunday, October 3, 2021, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Please join your fellow EGL members as we prayerfully stand in support of the unborn. Young and old alike can participate by standing or sitting and holding the now familiar signs--



Abortion Kills Children, Jesus Forgives and Heals and Abortion Hurts Women. Our location is the northwest corner of Bluemound and Pilgrim. Meet in the North Shore Bank parking lot at 1:50 p.m. Signs will be provided.

Please pray for the babies and their families, the LifeChain organizers, all who will stand in the LifeChain and those who will witness it. And finally, please pray for God's mercy on our land.

Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter. If you say, "But we knew nothing about this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will he not repay each person according to what he has done?

(Proverbs 24:11-12)

Please contact Sue Schmalzer, 414-313-3888 with questions.

A Place of Refuge Ministries of South Wisconsin, Inc.
 P.O. Box 240695
 Milwaukee, WI 53224-9020
 Website: www.aplaceofrefuge.org
 Main Office: 414-438-2767 Helpline: 414-476-6333
 Refuge House: 414-760-2483 Blessed Again Resale: 414-464-9099
 Fax: 414-760-2497 Email: apor.ministries.swd@gmail.com

Donation date: 4/21/2021
 ELM GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH
 945 N. TERRACE DR.
 ELM GROVE, WI 53122

Dear ELM GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH:
 Thank you for your recent gift of \$3,214.00 to A Place of Refuge Ministries. Your generous support is deeply appreciated.

This ministry has been richly blessed by the Lord since 1993. In fact, we have been able to help thousands of women choose life for their precious little ones! Our advocacy outreach program touches the greatest number of women, providing a loving friend to walk beside them in this difficult time. At our shelter, Refuge House, our house manager and volunteer network help women with parenting skills, employment preparation and in their relationship with the Lord. What a joy it is to see the baptisms of babies and their mothers too! God is truly working through APOR in a very special way!

Again, thank you for your support of A Place of Refuge Ministries.
 Serving the Lord of Life together,
Kate Doerr

APOR Development Director
Please save this letter for your income tax records. APOR will not send year end notifications of donation totals. This letter has everything needed for tax purposes.
 Your gift is tax-deductible. No goods or services were received for this gift.
 Place of Refuge Ministries is a 501c3 tax exempt organization. Tax ID #: 39-1971929
PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

At four designated services during the church year, the offerings collected are donated to charities. Those services are: Thanksgiving, Christmas Day, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

The Board of Evangelism makes the decision on how to distribute those funds. This year, a donation was made to A Place of Refuge.

At left, is a letter of thanks to our church for the contribution that we made to the organization.

A Place of Refuge Ministries is a network of volunteers and staff who are committed to life and to caring for women facing crisis pregnancy in South Wisconsin. They have a house where moms may stay throughout their pregnancies and while preparing to transition to independent living arrangements, as well as providing many other valuable services.

"A Place of Refuge is a Gospel-focused service reaching out to women with the love of Christ with both words and actions."

Thank you for supporting Elm Grove Lutheran School!
Mark your calendar for Tuesday, October 5, and stop by Chipotle on
Bluemound Road in Brookfield (near our church & school) between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m.
(Please note special instructions below for ordering online.)

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Elm Grove Lutheran School. Come in to the Chipotle at **15375 W Bluemound Rd Ste 170** in Brookfield on **Tuesday, October 5th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Elm Grove Lutheran School.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code NZGZFH2 before checkout in 'promo' field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.



All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted at this time. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

This is a continuation of information shared by the Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection, offered via a webinar to Waukesha County residents on June 23, 2021.

What is Personal Information?

Any combination of the following information can be enough for identity theft to occur:

- Name
- Address
- Phone Number
- Email Address
- ATM Pin
- Date of Birth
- Social Security Number
- Mothers Maiden Name
- Financial Account Numbers



Pay attention to internet security Make certain you have a firewall and updated virus and spyware protection on your computer. Check your browser security settings to make certain that they are not too low.

Use two-factor authentication if offered Two-factor authentication is an added layer of security that combines something you have, a physical token such as a card or a code, with something you know, something memorized such as a personal identification number (PIN) or password.

Check your credit report regularly

Obtain your credit report FREE from each of the three major credit reporting agencies each year. You can get your free credit report from Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion by calling 1-877-322-8228 or online at www.annualcreditreport.com.

The Basics of Safeguarding Your Information

Guard your social security number

Do not carry your Social Security card with you and do not ever use your social security number as a PIN or password. Limit the number of identification cards you carry.

Shred, shred, shred

Shred bills, bank statements, receipts, medical billings, credit card offers, and any other items that contain personal or financial information.

Protect your mail

If you are going to be out of town have the post office hold your mail. Place outgoing mail in an official mailbox not your own.

Never give out your personal information

Legitimate companies or agencies do not call or email asking for personal information. Never give out personal information unless you initiated the contact.

Sign up for the Do Not Call Registry

Register your home and mobile residential numbers on the Wisconsin Do Not Call Registry at no cost by visiting www.donotcall.gov or by calling 1-888-382-1222; you must call from the phone number you wish to register.

Keep a list of all financial accounts

Keep a list of all credit card and bank account numbers, phone numbers, and expiration dates. This information as well as other sensitive documents should be kept in a safe place, such as a safe.

Stop pre-approved credit card offers

Stop pre-approved credit card offers by calling 1-888-567-8688 or visiting the Opt Out website at www.optoutprescreen.com.

Check your bills and bank statements

Look at your statements as soon as you get them to see if there are any unauthorized charges or inaccuracies. If there are, report them right away.

What to do if it happens to you

Contact your bank

Let your bank know that your identity has been stolen even if the thief has not used your bank accounts or ATM/debit card. Consider closing and reopening new accounts with new numbers and obtaining a new ATM/debit card with a new PIN. In addition, you may want to ask your bank if you can place a password on your accounts.

Contact your creditors

If an identity thief has opened a new account or credit card in your name contact the creditor to close the account and explain what happened as soon as possible.

Report the theft to the police

File a police report with your local police department even if the theft might have occurred at some other place. Be sure to obtain a copy of the report for yourself. It can be a vital tool to working through recovering from the identity theft.

Put a Fraud Alert on your credit report

A fraud alert is a notation that requires a business to take extra reasonable steps to verify a person's identity before issuing a line of credit or offering services. The fraud alert will be active for one year and can be renewed. You only need to contact one of the three agencies below and they will notify the other two on your behalf.

Put a Security Freeze on your credit report

A freeze is stronger than a fraud alert because it remains in place until you release it and requires that you be alerted if an account in your name is requested. The freeze must be requested by contacting each of the three credit reporting agencies (Experian, TransUnion, Equifax Information Services LLC) directly.



October Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries ("A")

If your birth date or wedding anniversary is not included, please be sure to contact the church office.
Thanks!



October 1

A-Jerome & Kimberly Novak
Lynn Burhop
Bill Dare
Lilly Donath
Jeff Harner
Madeline Hedtke
Ben Thompson

October 2

A-Steve & Patti Morateck
Al Baumgart
Cynthia Midtbo
Harvey Peters

October 3

A-Layton & Sharon Gehrke
A-Bruce & Sue Wilcox
Stu Boudro
John Hartz
Nikolas Weller

October 5

A-Bruce & Kim Eichberger

October 6

A-Jeff & Allison Jagusch
Hazel Ewert
Connor Luetzow
Laurie Mueller
Tom Neill
Laura Traas

October 7

A-Matthew & Amy Stroh
Tim Diven
Keith Steffel
Hannah Weymier

October 8

Sue Will

October 9

A-Tom & Sue Brojanac
Kathy Ganswindt
Logan Peters
Nicole Thompson
Bev Yahnke

October 10

A-Ron & Bev Wegner
Irene Brunner
Elaine Olson (100)
Mara Zavadil
Melissa Zavadil
Morgan Zavadil

October 11

Jacob Tischer

October 12

A-Rick & Heidi Wegner
Michael Rentmaster

October 13

Meg Jungkuntz

October 14

Christian Lindblom
Jonathan Luecke

October 15

A-Harvey & Dolores Kroening
Marna Olencheck
Carl Pfeifer

October 16

Natalie Funk

October 17

A-Brad & Laura Patterson
A-John & Carol Seals
Ruth Smith
Anne Wagner
Kevin Zavadil
Dawn Zealy

October 18

A-Erica & Brad Hornburg
Jim Netzel
Kristina Poppe

October 20

Charlotte Mohr
Carol Seals

October 23

Cindy Regenfuss

October 24

A-Ben & Nicki Thompson
John Berry
Mary Menzel
Harrison Nicely

October 25

A-Ken & Lois Greenweller

October 26

Lauren Browne

October 27

Duane Wunsch

October 28

Julie Diehl
Jael Speck
Madelyn Zientek

October 29

A-Jim & Linda Stiloski
Kelly Schuppner

October 30

Meg Grek
Barb Mohr
Brad Ohde

October 31

Allison Gronitz



October

Elm Grove Ev. Lutheran Church Calendar—2021

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

The Lord's Supper celebrated
1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday

Bible Study
9:30-10:30

Sunday 10:45 a.m.

The Lord's Supper celebrated
2nd, 4th, 5th Sunday

Thursday 6:30 p.m.

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Webinar:

'David's Harp and the Parish Based Music Conservatory'

October 7 | 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

LCMS Rural & Small Town Mission will host a **free** webinar titled "David's Harp and the Parish Based Music Conservatory" from 1-2 p.m. Central time on Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021.

The presenter will be with Rev. Nathan Sherrill, executive director of David's Harp: A Center for Musical Development.

Sign up at:

<https://calendar.lcms.org/event/webinar-davids-harp-and-the-parish-based-music-conservatory/>



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