

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 27, 2022 – Volume 74, Number 3.4
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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

- S 8:00 a.m. Worship (DS3)
9:30 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship – (DS3)
12:30 p.m. Confirmation Class (228)
7:30 p.m. AA Mtg (CLC)
- M 5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC)
5:00 p.m. Finance Meeting (229)
5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting (CLC)
7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)
- T 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC)
5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC)
7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting (228)
- W 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC)
1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC)
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper
6:30 p.m. Worship
7:00 p.m. Gym Rental (Gym)
7:30 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
- TH 9:00 a.m. Library Committee (FL)
- F Middle School Youth Event (Gym)

OFFICE HOURS

The offices are open Mondays-
Fridays, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Key:

CLC – Christian Life Center
FH – Fellowship Hall
BAAC – Bartelt Adult Activity Center
MC – Music Center
FL – Friendship Library

Johann Sebastian Bach's birthday is traditionally celebrated on March 21, this past Monday. On March 25, this past Friday, the church celebrated The Annunciation of Our Lord (Luke 1: 26-38)-- when angel Gabriel announces to Mary, Jesus' birth. Not long after the Annunciation is The Visitation (Luke 1:39-56), celebrated on May 31-- when Mary visits cousin Elizabeth. "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" is from Bach's church Cantata #147 - Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben (Literal translation: Heart and mouth and deed and life). "Composed originally in 1716 in Weimar, Cantata 147 was revised by Bach during his Leipzig years, and premiered in an expanded version in 1723 for the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary." (<https://bach.org/education/cantata-bwv-147/> accessed 3/23/2022) The text of the chorale is sung to the tune "Werde Munter, Mein Gemüte." This tune appears in Lutheran Service Book three times-- 548, 589, and 681. Our musicians present this musical offering to the Glory of God (Soli Deo Gloria) celebrating the Annunciation, Visitation, and Bach's birthday.

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 146 attended services last week in person. **33** households streamed the services for a total of **179**. "Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!"

EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS: Anyone interested in donating plants to be included in our Easter flower altar display is asked to place their orders. Flowers can be memorialized, placed in honor of a loved one, or placed for blessings received. We will also offer small plants for a Children's Garden. Order sheets can be found in the tract rack areas. Payment is requested at the time of ordering. Questions? Contact Linda Haut at 414-254-2918 or 262-782-7356 or lhaut@egl.org. Deadline for orders is Palm Sunday, April 10.

SPRING ELECTIONS: On April 5 there are local elections for several offices, including judge, mayor, and school board. If you'd like to see what's on your specific ballot, go to this link (<https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/Whats-On-My-Ballot>), type in your street address, and a sample ballot will appear for your specific location.

BASKETS OF BLESSINGS: Our hearts are filled with joy and hope as we celebrate Easter. Would you be willing to share those Easter blessings in a visit to one of our members who has been unable or uncomfortable coming to worship together at church? We will again provide the baskets for you to pick up with the name(s), contact information, and suggested list of small items of care and comfort to fill it. Please come to the lower lobby between services on Sunday March 27, April 3, or April 10, pick up a basket, fill it and deliver it before Easter with blessings from all of us. Questions? Please call Barb Thompson (262-784-3886) or Carole Braun (262-781-1494).

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN: Would you like to help with the Ukrainian refugee crisis? Orphan Grain Train, Westfield, WI., will be sending needed items via air cargo followed by sea containers. Cathy Robinson, Branch Manager writes: "I have enclosed a list of requested items from our contacts in Poland, Latvia, Romania and Moldova. ... I want to be honest with everyone in saying that

our greatest need will be monetary. If you'd like to make a monetary gift of any kind, please send it to our OGT treasurer, Marilyn Muller at: N1459 Castle Drive, Medford, WI 54451." Requested items that we can collect are; bar soap, wash cloths, towels, tooth paste, tooth brushes, combs, band aids, shampoo, new socks, blankets, and men's work boots. Please place the items in the clear bins marked "OGT – Ukrainian Refugees" in the lower lobby before April 12, 2022. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions please call the church office, Amy Stroh, (262-797-2970) or Carole Braun (262-781-1494).

T-BALL: Summer 2022 T-Ball Program for boys and girls ages 4-6 years old. T-ball will be held on Wednesday's, June 8-June 29, from 5:45 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Registration begins March 28, please find the form at www.egl.org or stop in the school office and see Sandy Brown, the school Administrative Assistant.

EASTER BREAKFAST VOUNTEERS SOUGHT: We are one day into spring and 26 days from Easter! Because a number of groups have stepped forward to host them, we have returned to our pre-Covid midweek Lenten dinners with great success. Thank you! There is one hiccup, however. We do need some dedicated volunteers to take on the Easter breakfast, April 17, 8:15-ish to 9:45, if we hope to hold one this year. We do have on speed dial an experienced Easter breakfast organizer who is willing to serve as a resource. Call the Church Office (262-797-2970) to let us know your interest.

LIVESTREAM HELP NEEDED: Contact Mark Ewert or Pam Ganswindt if you are interested in helping with our livestream ministry. Having a good knowledge of our service flow is a plus.

UKRAINE SUPPORT: Mark Hofman of LCMS Mission Advancement wants to let you know that you can support Ukraine by giving via text message, if so desired. Send a text message with the keyword **LCMSUKRAINE** to the number **41-444**. We will soon have a Give Now button available. The direct URL to the form is: <https://igfn.us/form/OEPmhq>

LWML: The morning group of LWML will meet in the BAAC on Wednesday, April 6 at 10:00 a.m. **"Promise, Power, Peace"** found on pages 16-17 of the Spring *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* is the Bible Study. Throughout our lives we look to Jesus for leading us in giving us His promise, His power, and His peace. Plan to attend.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH EVENT: Date night? Want to try a new restaurant? One less child to worry about for a bit? On Friday April 1st the youth committee will be hosting another youth event at EGL. The details are still being worked out, but you can count on food and fun for your middle school (5th-8th grade) child on Friday April 1st. More details to come!

OFFERING ENVELOPES: It is time for us to order offering envelopes for 2023. With paying online being more prevalent these days we are only going to order offering envelopes for those individuals that actually want/need them. If you would like physical offering envelopes please email Amy (astroh@egl.org) or call the Church office (262-797-2970) to let her know. If we do not hear from you we will assume you do not want envelopes. Please let us know by March 31.

MARTIN LUTHER SYMPHONIC BAND: On Sunday, March 27, at 2:00 p.m. the Symphonic Band of Martin Luther High School in Greendale will perform a concert as part of a six-day tour to the Carolinas. This concert will include a wide variety of traditional band repertoire and sacred music. The 31-member band is led by Director Jessica L. Kindschi Walter. The March 27 concert will be held at 5201 S. 76th Street, Greendale, 53219. For more information, call Mrs Walter at 414-421-4000 ext 242.

ISSUES, ETC. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: Human Tyranny vs. Christian Freedom; The Movie "Nightmare Alley;" The Gradual; Peter & Cornelius and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

EASTER EGG HUNT: Save the date for an Easter egg hunt hosted by Evangelism! Come on Saturday, April 9, for a light, snack-type brunch, hunting for eggs, and a reading of the Easter story, while relating it to the colors of jelly beans, a traditional Easter treat. Children ages 0-13 are welcome to join in the festivities starting at 9:00 a.m.

LENTEN SUPPERS: Thank you very much to Vicar Lee, Debbie Weller, and many wonderful extra hands for providing a wonderful dinner before Wednesday's service. Next Wednesday, March 30, is being served by Evangelism and Stewardship. They will be serving sloppy joes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: God the Father, perfect righteous judge, forsook Jesus on the cross. Jesus being the perfect righteous sacrifice was punished for the sin of the world (Matthew 27:11-66).

PLEASE PRAY FOR and remember these members of EGL who are confined to bed or to their homes. Addresses and telephone #'s are in the church directory.

Carl Egloff
Nina Kaul

Zack Horrell
Inge Klammer

Remember those serving in the Armed

Forces:

Rebecca (Burhop) Butler
Matt Diven
Katherine Leaf
Alex Ohde
Joshua Tesch