

# ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
Sunday, September 17, 2023 - 9:00 a.m.

## Divine Service 2



## Welcome & Announcements

### Prelude

**I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say – Benjamin M. Culli**

### Hymn of Invocation

**699, I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

*STAND*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

**Psalm 143:1–2; antiphon: v. 9**

P Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

**C I have fled to you for refuge!**

P Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

**C In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!**

P Enter not into judgment with your servant,

**C for no one living is righteous before you.**

**ALL Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

**C I have fled to you for refuge!**

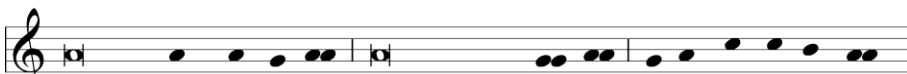
**Kyrie**



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



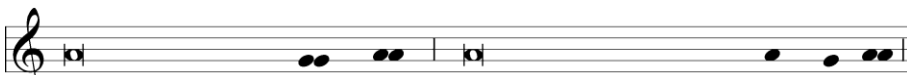
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



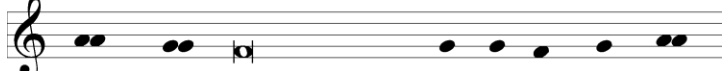
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## This Is the Feast

LSB 171



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:  
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.  
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*SIT*

**Old Testament Reading**

**Genesis 50:15–21**

<sup>15</sup>When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, <sup>17</sup>Say to Joseph, Please forgive the

transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.’ And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. <sup>21</sup>So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual**

**Psalm 34:9, 19**

P Fear the LORD, you his saints,

**C for those who fear him lack nothing!**

P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

**C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

### **Epistle**

**Romans 14:1–12**

<sup>1</sup>As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. <sup>2</sup>One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. <sup>3</sup>Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. <sup>4</sup>Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. <sup>5</sup>One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. <sup>6</sup>The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. <sup>7</sup>For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. <sup>8</sup>If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. <sup>10</sup>Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; <sup>11</sup>for it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.” <sup>12</sup>So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*STAND*

## Alleluia and Verse

LSB 173



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. <sup>23</sup>Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup>When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup>And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' <sup>29</sup>So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' <sup>30</sup>He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup>And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' <sup>34</sup>And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. <sup>35</sup>So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day

760, What God Ordains Is Always Good

Sermon

"When the Darkness Closes In" (Genesis 50:15-21)

*STAND*

**Nicene Creed**

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

**Prayer of the Church**



*SIT*

**Offering**

**What God Ordains Is Always Good – Paul O. Manz**

(Those who are not communing may place their cards in the offering plate.)

*STAND*

**Offertory**

**LSB 176**



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### EGLC Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated here in the glad confidence that those who commune actually eat and drink the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with, and under the bread and the wine. Only those communicants who believe this and who repent of their sins receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Those who do not believe this or who do not repent of their sins will commune to their harm. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the specific teachings of the faith which is confessed in this congregation, those who are not in agreement with this understanding of the Lord's Supper, or who belong to a religious community that is not in Altar & Pulpit Fellowship with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are requested to consult with the presiding minister before communing.

### Preface

LSB 177

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should...

### Sanctus

LSB 178



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



### Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth...

C Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

### The Words of Our Lord

#### Pax Domini

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

#### Agnus Dei

LSB 180



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the

sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of  
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

*SIT*

**Hymns During Communion Distribution      756, Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me  
 619, Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior**

*STAND*

**Thank the Lord**

**LSB 181**

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Benediction

**LSB 183**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

**765, God Moves in a Mysterious Way**

## Postlude

**God Moves in a Mysterious Way – Flor Peeters**

ALTAR PARAMENTS: The green paraments of the Pentecost season prompt us to remember that our life in Christ is one of growth, as branches connected to the Vine produce good fruit.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Placed by Ruth Lawonn in memory of her husband Gerald.

## Participants

Presiding Minister

Pastor Eric Skovgaard

Assistant Minister

Pastor Aaron Reseburg

Organist

Richard C. Ewert

Elder

Mattias Goldenstein

Chancel Assistant

Kirk Midtbo

Usher Team on duty

Ben Thompson, Sam Thompson, Aislyn Wegner,  
Jake Wegner, Randy Wegner, Rick Wegner, Ryan Wegner

Altar Guild

Sherri Bond, Irma Witzke

### **SERVING NEXT WEEK:**

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 (6:30 p.m.)**

ELDER: Rick Wegner

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Mark Ewert

USHER TEAM: (Team 7: Sharon Boudro, Tom Brojanac, Gene Brunner, Lizzie Ky, Tyler Ky,  
Diane Olson, Jim Olson)

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 (9:00 a.m.)**

ELDER: Mattias Goldenstein

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Doug Grelk

USHER TEAM: (Team 1: Pam Ganswindt, Andrea Kysely, Elijah Lind, Caleb Nelson)

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**Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar**

S	9:00 a.m. Worship (DS2) 10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School 12:00 p.m. Youth Confirmation (BAAC) 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (CLC)	W	5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC) 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC) 1:00 p.m. Sheepshead (BAAC) 7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
M	5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC) 7:00 p.m. Church Council (228) 7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)	Th	9:30 a.m. Book Discussion Group (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Stammtisch (Biloba)
T	10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC)		

**IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 159** attended services last week in person. **53** households streamed the services for a total of **212**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

**SUNDAY MORNING STUDY:** This Sunday is the last Romans lectionary study. We begin the AOR study, "Blessed are the Peace Makers" next Sunday, the 24<sup>th</sup>.

**PRAYERS FOR PR RESEBURG AND FAMILY:** Well, when it rains, it pours, the old saying goes! Please keep Pr Reseburg and his dear family in your prayers for wisdom as he considers the call that was extended to him this past Sunday afternoon by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Watertown, WI. This is your opportunity to "love on them" and let him know that his ministry among us is appreciated.

**A LETTER FROM DEACONESS CHRISTIANA EWERT:** Dear redeemed in Christ of Elm Grove Lutheran, *"And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."* Romans 8:28. Together as God's children, we truly believe the words above from Romans. We know that God calls each of us in different ways to serve His purpose and bring glory to Him for the sake of His Kingdom. We trust in His love and purpose for our lives. Because I trust our God and His leading, I have accepted the Call to serve as Deaconess of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church and School in Manawa, WI. It has been an honor to serve among you, caring for our homebound members. This was not an easy decision, nor was it made lightly. It is never easy to say goodbye to part of the family-God's family. And yet what an

amazing reality that in Christ we will always truly be family who will someday be glorifying Him together forever. My prayer is that you as the family of God here at Elm Grove Lutheran continue to follow and boldly live out His purpose for you, as you faithfully receive His gifts and reach out in His name. Please pray for my family and I as we go where God will use us next. We are confident that God is working for our good and for yours in all things. May God continue to bless and keep you in His loving care. In Christ's love and peace, Deaconess Christiana Ewert

**BURIAL HELP SOUGHT:** A member of the congregation is seeking to lay three family members to rest at a local cemetery. The cemetery plots were purchased years ago but it does take a considerable amount of money to open the plots for interring the remains, and this member doesn't have the funds needed. If you are interested in helping this EGL member fulfill his Christian duty of laying their earthly remains to rest, please donate whatever you'd like to EGL, marked "Pastor Mercy Fund: Cemetery Help." Thank you in advance!

**THANK YOU:** Pastor Skovgaard extends a sincere thank you to everyone who made Church in the Glen a success especially the BOCE for preparing the main course at the Church in the Glen last Sunday. The food was delicious!

**SPECIAL SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER:** The Church's liturgical calendar gives opportunity for the celebration of various festival and commemoration days. (see the front of the hymnal) This September EGL will celebrate God's grace in Jesus Christ through the lens of both Holy Cross Day (Sept 14) and St Michael and All Angels (Sept

29) in those Thursday evening services. The music, readings, and sermons will be different from the Sunday morning services.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** starts today at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall with movement and song. Parents will fill out a safety form for each family. We will begin each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall and at 11:15 a.m. parents can pick up their children in their rooms. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me..."

**LWML:** Thanks to the generosity of many people, the evening group of LWML was able to pack 43 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Your gifts of school supplies, hygiene items, socks, small toys, stuffed animals, etc. helped fill these boxes to be sent in November to children in need worldwide. Thank you!

**PTL FUNDRAISER:** Please support Zion Lutheran School (Elm Grove Campus) by eating at Lou Malnati's in Brookfield between 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. on October 10. Please mention this fundraiser at time of order to ensure credit towards fundraiser. Thank you!

**INAUGURATION OF ERIK P. ANKERBERG, PH.D** President of Concordia University Wisconsin & Ann Arbor on Fri, Sept 29, at 2:00 p.m. To be held in the R. John Buuck Field House Concordia University Wisconsin (12800 N. Lake Shore Drive, Mequon, WI) This is open to the public, no RSVP is required. Reception to follow.

**CLASSICAL EDUCATION MINI-CONFERENCE:** On the weekend of St. Michael and All Angels, Peace Sussex is hosting a mini-conference on classical Lutheran education. The speakers this year include Dr. Gene Edward Veith and Mr. Nathaniel Pullmann. This event is intended for everyone interested in learning about learning (whether your school uses the classical education style or not!). Teachers, homeschoolers, college students, all are welcome to attend! The admission fee is just to cover the cost of lunch; college students attend for free. Contact Rev. Brennick Christiansen at Peace Lutheran for more information: 262-246-3200.

**JOURNEY'S BAGS BEER & BITES EVENT:** Journeys Lutheran School's 1<sup>st</sup> annual corn hole tournament (5425 S. 111<sup>th</sup> Street in Hales Corners) will be Sat, Oct 14, from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. Registration starts at 3:00 p.m. and the tournament begins at 4:00 p.m. Player admission is \$25 (competitive and non-competitive brackets) and non-player admission is \$10 per person.

**PAYING ATTENTION TO THE QUESTIONS KIDS HAVE:** Pr Jonathon Conner from Manning, IA, has given

a great series of interviews with Todd Wilken on IssuesEtc on the topic of answering the questions kids have. These questions are all over the place -- theological, family dynamics, social pressure, etc. But Pr Conner has made a practice of taking seriously the questions that kids have, and then answering them. Frankly, I think we all should take the time to listen and then answer as best we can. I commend the series to you, under the title "Kids Have Questions."

**CONCORDIA SEMINARY CAMPUS PLAN:** The nearly 100-year old seminary in St Louis is embarking on a new building plan designed to improve student housing, in quality and proximity to the chapel; generate revenue by leveraging the westernmost acres of the campus; provide quality, shared-use athletic facilities with Washington University on these western acres at no cost to the Seminary; develop a large green space near the chapel for community events; and, highlight the centrality of our chapel life to campus life. To read more about this campus plan, visit [csl.edu/campus-plan](http://csl.edu/campus-plan).

**COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES:** With the school year beginning soon and many college kids moving in or moving in soon, Pastor Reseburg would love to have your college student's contact information! He would love to have their address and phone number but will settle for their address so that he can send care packages throughout the year. Please email him at [areseburg@egl.org](mailto:areseburg@egl.org) with their most up to date information, if you would like to help feel free to reach out as well!

**CAREERS FOR CHRIST:** High school students interested in learning about LCMS professional church work careers are encouraged to register for the Concordia University Chicago "Careers for Christ Weekend" which will begin with check-in at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov 3, and conclude after brunch on Sunday, Nov 5. The entire weekend costs \$85 per person, which includes all activities, materials, housing, meals, transportation during the event and a Careers for Christ T-Shirt. Register online at [CUChicago.edu/C4C](http://CUChicago.edu/C4C). Soli Deo Gloria! Contact Pastor Skovgaard if financial assistance is needed.

**MAUI RELIEF EFFORTS:** We've all seen the devastation caused by the recent fire on the island of Maui. [We had a couple of EGL families who were actually on that island within the last couple of weeks, one that left the day before the fire!] If you have the resources to help and want to do so, consider these two options: monetary gifts can be sent directly either to Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 520 One Street, Kahului, HI 96732; or, The California-Nevada-Hawaii District of The

LCMS, <https://www.cnh-lcms.org/>. Click on the donate now to the Maui Disaster Relief fund at the top of the top of the homepage.

**STAMMTISCH HAS RETURNED!** Guys! Fall's just around the corner... please don't forget to include EGL Stammtisch in your monthly schedule! Take a break and kick back with us on Thursday, Sept 21, from 7:30-9:00 p.m. for great libation and lively conversation that runs the gamut, but always in a fun, informal atmosphere of Christian fellowship, perhaps a few new things to enjoy this fall? Come and find out! Meet us at Biloba Brewing Company, 2970 N Brookfield Rd bring some snacks to share and a friend! Any questions? Contact Bruce Bessert by phone/text at 414-526-8430, or by email at [bruce.bessert@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.bessert@gmail.com)

**LUTHERAN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION:** As the credit union of The LCMS, LutheranFCU offers everyday banking and lending needs to the people and organizations of the LCMS community. Started and supported by the LCMS, we are proud to have a growing membership that chooses LutheranFCU as their day-to-day financial partner. Connected to more than 30,000 network ATMs and 5,000 network branches, LutheranFCU serves members in all 50 states, which means YOU! Visit [LutheranFCU.org](http://LutheranFCU.org) for more information.

**YOUTH BIBLE STUDY:** will be starting soon!!! If you are in grades 5-12, Youth Bible Study will be the place to be after church on Sundays! Starting Sept 17, come down to the Youth Room at 10:30 a.m. for fellowship and a bible study. Make sure to bring a friend too! For other youth announcements, make sure to follow us on instagram at @egl.youth

**MABAS:** The Milwaukee Area Biblical Archaeology Society will hold its first presentation of the fall at 7:00 p.m. on October 3 at Wisconsin Lutheran College. Ralph K. Hawkins will present on "Khirbet Auja el-Foqa: An Iron Age Fortified City in the Jericho Valley".

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP:** Please meet in the BAAC on Thursday, Sept 21, at 9:30 a.m. for discussion of the book, *The Ragged Edge of Night* by Olivia Hawkins. If you like to read and like to discuss books, you may be interested in joining our group. Please call Barb Kurth if you have questions. 262-345-5083.

**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.  
Woody Lindblom                      Bernice McCloskey  
Charlotte Mohr                        Elaine Olson

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**OFFICE HOURS**  
Office is open Mon. – Fri.  
8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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