

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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First Sunday in Advent
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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S	9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School 12:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (BAAC) 12:30 p.m. Evangelism Meeting (228) 3:30 p.m. Advent by Candlelight (FH) 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH)				7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)
M	5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (Nave) 6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees (229) 7:00 p.m. Church Council (228)	T			10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC) 5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (Nave)
		W			10:00 a.m. LWML (BAAC) 1:00 p.m. Sheephead (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Exultate Singers 7:00 p.m. Gym Rental (Gym)

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 225 attended services last week in person. **96** households streamed the services for a total of **321**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

BAPTISM: During the service on Sunday Jonathan James Pleester and Frank James Pleester III, born 12/29/2015 and 5/3/2018, sons of Frank Pleester, Jr. were baptized. Baptismal sponsors: Brandon and Samantha Lichosik. *"For all of you who were baptized in Christ have been clothed with Christ."*

DECEMBER VOTERS' MEETING will be on Dec 17, following the worship service in the nave. Please find the proposed agenda posted on the bulletin board near the elevator.

CHANCEL CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATING: If you would like to help decorate the Chancel for Christmas, please plan to come to EGL on Sat Dec 16, at 9:00 a.m.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Dive into Advent Hymnody on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), study 1 Corinthians 12-14 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and learn more about the 3rd Sunday in Advent on The Coffee Hour (10/13 at 9:00 a.m. CT). Music and programming for the 12 Days of Christmas begins December 25! Hear your favorite programs on demand at kfu.org or the KFUO Radio app.

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES: Starting on WEDNESDAY, Dec 6, an Advent evening service will be offered at 6:30 p.m. For the duration of Advent there will not be any Thursday evening services. We ask for God's blessing to be upon our Advent services as we prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of His birth.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: The book to be read and discussed for December is *Love Comes Softly* by Janette

Oke. The date of the meeting has been changed to Thurs, Dec 28, at 9:30 a.m. in the BAAC. We will also have our Christmas party at this time. Remember to bring what you signed up for or plan to bring cookies. If you like to read and discuss books, you may be interested in joining our group. Please call Barb Kurth if you have questions at 262-345-5083.

LWML: The morning group of LWML will be celebrating Christmas with a special Christmas devotion of singing Christmas songs, reading scripture and narration of what Christmas means to each of us on Wed, Dec 6, in the BAAC at 10:00 a.m. Following the special devotion, we look forward to fellowship with a luncheon. Each lady is asked to bring a sandwich and 6 cookies for the luncheon. Plan to attend. We extend an invitation to all ladies of our congregation. You are most welcome.

THE LUTHERAN A CAPPELLA CHOIR OF MILWAUKEE presents their Christmas concert, "And the Glory of the Lord." Sun, Dec 3, 3:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 6705 Northway, Greendale. Tickets are \$15 General Admission. Students are free with student ID. Tickets can be purchased at <https://lutheranacappella.org/>, or talk to Bruce Bessert or Rick Ewert. Christmas anthems and movements from Handel's Messiah, including the Hallelujah chorus will be presented.

OFFERINGS FROM SPECIAL SERVICES: Do you ever wonder where the special services money goes? The offering money from Thanksgiving and Christmas Day is given to the Board of Evangelism to pass along to a designated person or organization. This holiday season it will be going to an overseas missionary. More details to come on who the recipient will be.

PTL FUNDRAISER: Please support the Zion Lutheran (Elm Grove Lutheran Campus) PTL by eating at Panera on Greenfield Avenue in Brookfield on Dec. 12, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 25% of the sales will be donated to the PTL.