

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S	9:00 a.m. Worship (DS3)	5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC)
	10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School	7:00 p.m. Drabiszczak Bible Study (BAAC)
	11:30 a.m. Take Christmas Trees Down	W 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC)
	12:00 p.m. Youth Confirmation (BAAC)	1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC)
	7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH)	5:30 p.m. She Shed Bible Study (BAAC)
M	5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC)	7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
	7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)	7:00 p.m. Basketball Rental (Gym)
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228)	T 6:30 p.m. Worship
	10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC)	

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 151 attended services last week in person. **120** households streamed the services for a total of **271**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

WHY STATEMENT (Draft):"God has placed Elm Grove Lutheran here to proclaim Christ so that all may receive God's gifts in Word and Sacrament to have life now and forever." After reviewing this statement drafted by EGL members during a workshop with SWD Mission Exec Rev. Dr. Nathan Meador if you have any thoughts you would like to share, please email Amy (astroh@egl.org) in the church office.

CALL COMMITTEE: President Mark Ewert is looking for individuals to serve on a minister of religion – ordained call committee for the purpose of reviewing and recommending seminary candidates when that time comes. If you are interested in being on this committee please let Mark know. His email is mcewert@gmail.com.

SAMSON STUDY: Today we resume our brief study of the life and work of God's reluctant judge, Samson, by reviewing Judges 15 in which Samson slays a thousand Philistines with a donkey's jaw bone. The class meets in the nave shortly after the end of the Divine Service.

TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY resumes this Tuesday, Jan 9, at 7:00 a.m. with a close look at Psalm 51. "Create in me a clean heart, O God."

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES: With a new calendar year here, why not resolve to study God's Word with greater intentionality? Here are some obvious options for you to consider, if you're high school and older: 1) Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the nave. Topics vary but currently we are looking at the life of Samson; 2) Tuesday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in the conference room. This study is for the men of the congregation. We are currently looking closely at the history and details behind some of the psalms, as a springboard for prayer. 3) Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the BAAC. This Bible study is for the ladies. Currently we are looking at various hymns and psalms. (Be warned! This group knows how to laugh and joke!) 4) Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the BAAC. After reading through 1000 years of church history in recent years, this co-ed group is now making their way through the Book of Acts. (The first Wednesday of the month the LWML ladies meet at the same time and place.) 5) Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m. online. This group called MOZ (the men of Zoom) weaves Bible study together with a study of contemporary events, with a healthy dose of apologetics whenever possible! Contact Tim Albers for more details or

how to join. 6) Thursday afternoons at 2:30 p.m. at the Grek home. They are studying the Gospel according to St Luke. 7) Thursday evenings (2x month) in the Bartelt Center 5:30-6:45. This "She Shed" ladies Bible study, led by Nancy Wolck, is reading through the book "Leaning on Jesus" by Deb Burma.

TRINITY CHURCH RESTORATION: Do you have any family history with historic Trinity Lutheran Church downtown Milwaukee? Maybe you're just curious about how things are going following the fire that engulfed the structure back on May 15, 2018? In any case a PowerPoint slideshow presentation was developed for showcasing the restoration efforts of this landmark church in the Milwaukee area. The slideshow was put together for a fundraiser hosted by Zuehlsdorf Woodworking in West Allis last month. Zuehlsdorf Woodworking is the company doing all the wood restoration efforts. You can watch this presentation, and thus get an update, while you grab your coffee and snacks this Sunday morning after the Divine Service in the overflow room.

EGLS PRAYER CHAIN: The prayer chain at EGL is a group of "prayer warriors" who receive prayer requests. The prayer requests received are from EGL members, friends, relatives, or others who are asking for this team to pray for them. We offer prayers of: thanksgiving, comfort, praise, strength, peace, blessings, wisdom, and healing. If you wish to receive prayers from our prayer warriors please contact Mindy Aldinger at prayerchain@egl.org.

RECYCLED CARDS: LWML is looking for recycled cards to make crosses out of them. Place in church office or by Linda Hoffmann's mailbox. Thank you!

SOLES FOR JESUS: LWML will continue to collect gently used or new men's, women's, and children's shoes. These shoes will be sent to Sub-Saharan Africa, where many people are unable to work or attend school, because they do not have a pair of shoes. The collection box will be located in the church's upper entryway.

EGL WEAR: A former member of EGL had a box of brand new EGL shirts, a couple of sweatshirts and a few hats. Please stop at the table in the back of church and help yourself!

3RD ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT: Elm Grove Lutheran PTL will be hosting trivia night on January 27 with gym/CLC doors opening at 5:15 p.m. and trivia from 6-9 p.m. Please assemble your team of up to 8 players or sign up and we will put you with a team. Trivia will cover a wide range of categories, so everyone can contribute to the team. You can sign up by using the form in the January Seasons or by emailing elmgroveptl@gmail.com by Friday January 19. Cost is \$5/person with dinner included (please bring your own beverages). Teams should have a theme/team name and costumes are highly encouraged!

PTL FUNDRAISER: Please help support the Zion Lutheran School (Elm Grove Lutheran campus) by having dinner at Noodles & Co., (17000 W Bluemound Road, Unity H, Brookfield) on January 16 between 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. 25% of qualifying sales with directly benefit Zion Lutheran School (Elm Grove Campus).

