

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany
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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

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| S | 9:00 a.m. Worship (DS3)
10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School
11:30 a.m. Youth Confirmation
7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH) | T | 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228)
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC)
5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC) |
| M | 5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC)
5:00 Board of Finance (229)
5:30 p.m. Board of Trustees (228)
5:30 p.m. Seminary Candidate Committee (FL) | W | 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC)
1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC)
7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
7:00 p.m. Basketball Rental (Gym) |
| | | T | 6:30 p.m. Worship |

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 149 attended services last week in person. **81** households streamed the services for a total of **230**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES are extended to the family and friends of Judy Hansen. Judy died on January 23. A funeral service will be held here at EGL on Mon, Feb 5, at 12:00 p.m. Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. until the time of the service. *"I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death."* (Revelation 1:18, NKJV)

PSALM STUDY AFTER SERVICE: For the next three Sundays, before we get to Lent and do a deep dive into the book of Exodus, we will study a handful of Psalms that have historical superscripts attached to them. This Sunday, after the 9:00 a.m. Divine Service, we will pray through and study Psalm 52.

LENTEN SUPPERS: As in years past, we will have Lenten Suppers before our midweek Lent services on Wednesdays (5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.) in the Fellowship Hall. We are looking for individuals or groups to sponsor the dinners. The following dates are open with the exception of Ash Wednesday: Altar Guild will be hosting this dinner (chili) and Feb 21 we will be hosting a fish fry. Feb 28, March 6, March 13,

March 20. Please let the Church Office know if you or a group of you would like to host a dinner.

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are in your Church mailbox. If you don't pick them up by Jan 31 we will mail it to you.

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 an thoughts you would like to share, please email Amy (astroh@egl.org) in the church office.

VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE at Elm Grove Lutheran Church, in the Fellowship Hall. Thurs, Feb 22, 2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Schedule your appointment online at https://donate.wisconsin.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/261580 or contact Rick Ewert 262-289-9333 / BloodDrive@egl.org. Every donation is needed to meet the high demand from hospitals in our community. People like you can make a difference. We hope to see you soon.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: The book to be read and discussed in February is *Once Upon a Wardrobe* by Pattie Calahan. Our discussion will take place in the BAAC at 9:30 a.m. on Thurs, Feb

15. If you like to read and also like to discuss books, we would love to have you join us. Please call Barb Kurth if you have questions at 262-345-5083.

LWML: The morning group of LWML will meet on Wed, Feb 7 in the BAAC at 10:00 a.m. The Bible study, **"Where is Your Treasure?"** found on pages 20-21 of the winter issue of *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* is based Matthew 6:21, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." At the meeting, there will be a handout of a synopsis of the events in Nehemiah 1-8, in regard to stewardship. If you have time before the meeting, you may like to read these chapters.

2025 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING UPDATE: The Gathering Ambassador Application is open. Gathering Ambassadors are adult volunteers ages 26 and older who will serve in many different capacities for the duration of the Gathering. You can find the application at www.lcmsgathering.com/volunteer and it will remain open until March 15, 2024. If you have questions about this or the 2025 Gathering, contact Ben Ewert.

HYMN FESTIVAL: You are invited to St. Marcus Church (2215 North Palmer Street, Milwaukee, WI 53212) for a Hymn Festival on Feb 2 at 7:00 p.m. The concert will feature accomplished composer and church musician Benjamin Culli and the St. Marcus Choir. A social hour will follow. The event is free but free-will donations are appreciated.

LUTHERAN SINGLES CRUISE: Set sail on a spiritual adventure with Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller on a four-day Lutheran Singles Cruise, departing from Galveston on August 1. This journey is designed for connection and fellowship, offering daily devotions, Bible studies, and opportunities to meet like-minded singles. Embrace this chance to deepen your faith, make new friends, and enjoy the beauty of the sea. Don't miss out on this unique blend of spiritual growth and social fun – book your spot today! Learn more at www.wolfmueller.co/cruise

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.

JOHN10:10 PROJECT: In this familiar Bible passage Jesus tells his disciples that he has come to give us life and to give it to us more abundantly (than we could ever imagine.) The John10:10 Project has a series of videos aimed at helping Christians appreciate the gift of life we see exhibited in creation. The videos are 5-10 minutes in length typically and cover topics ranging from the engineering skills of honey bees to the sonar abilities of dolphins, the ability of Monarch butterflies to find their way back to a particular valley in Mexico from North America, to the wonders of the elephant's trunk. Through these short videos you'll find gratitude welling up within you for God's creative genius. <https://thejohn1010project.com/videos/>

IN A GALAXY FAR FAR AWAY: Concordia University Wisconsin is hosting a Spring Space Summit on Saturday, April 13, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Listen to experts discuss important issues regarding the American future in space, including technology, grand strategy, economics, national security, and more! Speakers include Space Force Deputy Commander of Space Command General John Shaw; George Pullen, the co-founder and chief economist for Milkyway Economy; and keynote speaker Orson Scott Card, novelist and playwright.

CUW'S NATIONAL SECURITY AND SPACE CENTER: Did you know that Concordia University Wisconsin had a Center for National Security and Space? Well, it does! The Center seeks to facilitate student and community engagement with the intersecting fields of national security and space. It helps to create a launch-point for dialogue between the fields of business, economics, science, engineering, political science, philosophy, and theology. The director is Dr Lamont Colucci, a professor at CUW and the Director of Doctrine Development for the U.S. Space Force. He has experience as a U.S. diplomat and serves on the American Foreign Policy Council and the National Task Force on National and Homeland Security. Check out the flyers hanging near the elevator for more information!



ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILDREN TO CONSIDER CHURCH WORK!

Christ's church will continue until He returns, and that church will continue to need church workers.

Set Apart to Serve (SAS) is an initiative of the LCMS to recruit church workers. Together, we pray for workers for the Kingdom of God and encourage children to consider church work vocations. Here are three easy ways you can participate in SAS:

1. **Pray with** your children for God to provide church workers.
2. **Talk to** your children about becoming church workers.
3. **Thank God** for the people who work in your congregation.

To learn more about *Set Apart to Serve*, visit lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve.



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