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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 10, 2024 – Volume 76, Number 3.2 The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S 9:00 a.m. Worship (DS1)

10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School

11:30 p.m. Confirmation (BAAC)

7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH)

M 5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (Nave)

6:30 p.m. LWML (FL)

7:00 p.m. Church Council (228)

7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)

T 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228)

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 209 attended services last week in person. **136** households streamed the services for a total of **345.** "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

EASTER FLOWERS: Orders can be placed for Easter chancel flowers. You may reserve your plants *in memory of, in honor of, and/or for blessings received* by filling out the order form (payment included, please), which can be found in the March SEASONS. Due to changes from the florist, ALL orders need to be in no later than **Wed, March 20.** Orders and payment can be sent to the church office or put in Paul/Linda Haut's church mailbox. Questions? please contact Linda Haut (414-254-2918 or 262-782-7356 or lhaut@egl.org.

BASKETS OF BLESSINGS: Would you like to bring some cheer and Easter blessings to a fellow EGL member who finds it difficult to get to church? We will provide the baskets for you to pick up in the lower lobby with the name(s), contact information, and suggested list of items between services on Sunday, March 10 and 17. Please pick out a name, fill the basket and <u>deliver it before</u> Easter with Easter blessings from all of us. If you have questions, please contact Barbara Thompson (262-784-3886) or Carole Braun (262-781-1494).

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC) 5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (Nave)

W 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC)

1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC)

5:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner (FH)

6:30 p.m. Worship

7:00 p.m. Gym Rental

7:30 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)

SUNDAY SCHOOL will not be in session March 24 or 31 due to Easter break. Rejoice in the Lord those Sundays in worship with our awesome God.

LUNCH BUNCH: It's almost spring and time to get back together to enjoy good fellowship and good food. We will meet on Thurs, March 21, at North Star Bistro, 19115 W. Capitol Drive, Brookfield, at 11:45 a.m. Let Carole Braun (262-781-1494) know you can be with us.

FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT: Save the date: Sat, March 23, 9-10:30 a.m. in the CLC. Please bring your basket and join us for a breakfast snack, egg hunt, and an Easter devotion. Here is the link for food donations as well as helping and attending. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10 COD4CAEAC2DA7F9C07-48401861-easter. See you there!

SYMPHONIC BAND OF MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL, directed by Jessica Kindschi Walter, will be performing a concert on Sun, March 24, at 2:00 p.m. at Marting Luther High School (5201 S 7th St in Greendale. This award-winning instrumental group will be making this appearance as part of a seven-day concert tour to Florida and Georgia. They will perform a wide variety of traditional band repertoire and sacred music. The public is cordially invited to attend this

performance. A free-will offering will be received to help the students defray the cost of the tour.

LENTEN SUPPERS: As in years past, we will have Lenten Suppers before our midweek Lent services on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you so much to the following groups for hosting dinner: March 13 Boards of Stewardship and Finance (lasagna); and March 20, Elders (taco bar). The free-will offerings received at each dinner will be collected and donated after Easter to Lutheran Indian Ministries, a missionary effort aimed at work among the Native American populations in North America. LIM headquartered here in Brookfield. You can read about more them online at LutheranIndianMinistries.org.

OFFERINGS: The Board of Evangelism is designating all offerings received for Maundy Thursday and Easter to be donated to Lutheran Indian Ministries as well as the free will offerings received at the Lenten suppers (please see above).

GOLF OUTING:



Back by popular demand! The EGL Foundation is organizing a fun-filled day of golf, dinner, and simple auction at Ironwood Golf Club on Friday, May 10. Look for further details in the weeks ahead but be sure to save the date and limber up! Money raised from this event will support the multifaceted ways the Foundation invests in and expands the Church's reach with the Gospel --everything from investing in the education of future full-time Church workers, technology and security needs, and foreign missions.

PRO-LIFE REPORT: National Right to Life has released The State of Abortion in the United States, 2024. The eleventh annual edition summarizes key legislative developments on the state and federal level in the first year following

the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, which overturned Roe v. Wade. The report notes that the annual number of abortions was on the increase in the years leading up to Dobbs. However, more recent numbers appear to show that as many as 89,000 preborn children have been saved since Dobbs due to new protective state laws. The report is available from the National Right to Life Communications

here: https://www.nrlc.org/wp-content/uploads/StateofAbortion2024.pdf

LWML HEART-TO-HEART SISTERS EVENT:

You are cordially invited to SWD LWML Heart to Heart Sisters Event on Mar 16. Hosted at Granville Lutheran School (8242 N. Granville Road, Milwaukee). This event promotes understanding of other cultures. A free lunch of "exotic" foods and delicacies are included. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and event ends at 2:30 p.m. For more information email jamellis2003@yahoo.com or visit www.lwml-swd.org.

DIRECT YOUR THRIVENT CHOICE \$\$ TO

EGL: If you have Thrivent insurance or annuity products, you may be eligible to direct where Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funds. You have until March 31 to direct your 2023 Choice Dollars if you haven't already done so. Please consider Elm Grove Lutheran Church as your nonprofit of choice. If you receive an email from your Thrivent rep, click on Direct Now and follow the instructions. Otherwise, go to www.thrivent.com. Log in and scroll down to Direct Choice Dollars. If you have any questions, contact your Thrivent rep or Board of Stewardship member Sue Wilcox (262-574-0051).

EGL STAMMTISCH: Spring is right around the corner, right? Hopefully! Come on out and join us at EGL Stammtisch as we connect with those around us, in a relaxed environment. Join us Thursday, March 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. Come and find out what were all about! Meet us at EGL in the Bartelt Center this month. Bring some snacks to share and

a friend! Any questions? Contact Bruce Bessert by phone/text at 414526-8430, or by email at bruce.bessert@gmail.com.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: The book to be read and discussed in March is **West With Giraffes** by Lynda Rutledge, a novel based on the true story of the 1938 cross country journey of transporting 2 girafffes from the east coast to the San Diego Zoo. Our discussion will take place in the BAAC on Thurs, March 21, at 9:30 a.m. 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 evening group of LWML will meet on Monday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Friendship Library. The project will be **making center pieces for the Zone 3 Rally** on April 20 that our LWML will host in the Fellowship Hall.

GREEN BAY NFL **ALUMNI** YOUTH **FOOTHBALL CAMP** here at Elm Grove Lutheran July 8 – 12. This non-contact football instruction camp is available for boys and girls ages 6 to 14 vears old. Featuring NFL Alumni Packers. professional coaches, high-rep-fun-training, develop skills, build confidence, develop life skills thru competition, fun contests, tournament action, and super football Friday. For more information and to register go to www.alumnicamps.com or call 877-226-9919.

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.

IN HIS IMAGE CONFERENCE ON SEXUALITY: Lake Country Lutheran High School is hosting a CLI (Connecting, Learning,

Innovating) event at LCL on June 4 & 5 2024 that is supported by the LCMS Office of National Mission. The CLI event, entitled "In His Image: Sexuality Conference," is an effort of DOXOLOGY. There are three different components: one day for Pastors (June 4), one evening that is open to the community (June 4), and one day for Educators (June 5). See the posters by the main entrance and elevator for details on registering.

SOLES FOR JESUS: LWML will continue to collect gently used or new men's, women's, and children's shoes. The latest shipment of shoes will be sent to Guinea in West 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.

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS NIGHT: Saturday, April 27. Join us for a night of family fun as the Milwaukee Brewers take on the New York Yankees, 6:10 PM. You can select seats from the Loge Outfield Box (where our group has been in past years) or from outfield box, infield box or terrace infield seats. Tickets range from \$15-\$59. You can also purchase a parking pass in advance... For groups of 10+, please contact Teddy Sibilski, Milwaukee Brewers. If you are ordering tickets for a group, you can forward tickets via text or email to individuals Ballpark App. Purchase your tickets online at https://fevoenterprise.com/event/Lutheranschools24 by April 12. Ouestions? Contact Robin, SWD, mueller@swd.lcms.org. Go Brewers!

PTL FUNDRAISER: Please help support the Zion Lutheran School (Elm Grove Lutheran campus) by having dinner at Chipotle (15375 W Bluemound Rd, Ste 170, Brookfield) on March 12, 4-8 p.m. 33% of event sales get donated to Zion Lutheran School (Elm Grove Campus).

EASTER CHANCEL FLOWERS - 2024

Hanging Basket	\$25.00	Hyacinth	\$15.00
Pansy Bowl	\$25.00	Daffodils	\$15.00
Azalea	\$28.00	Tulips	\$15.00
Hydrangea	\$30.00	Easter Lily	\$16.00
Daisy mum	\$17.00	Ivy Basket	\$22.00
	Children's Garden \$7.00		

Please note plant selection and quantity desired.

You may reserve your plants in memory of, in honor of, and/or for blessings received, by calling Linda Haut (262-782-7356 or 414-254-2918), or by sending your form to the church office.

****** NEW DEADLINE DATE for orders is Wednesday, March 20 (Please....no late orders)

Checks should be made payable to Elm Grove Lutheran Church, and mailed to: Easter Flowers, c/o Elm Grove Lutheran Church, 945 Terrace Dr., Elm Grove, WI 53122 or dropped off at the office. Payment should be received with order. Thank You.

Name:______

In Memory of:_____

Honoring:____

Blessings received []

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

Flowers need to be picked up <u>after</u> the 10:00 service on Easter Sunday. (Other pickup times available <u>ONLY</u> by special request - see Linda Haut for details.)

Sorry, but no guarantees on flower colors. Our florist does his best to supply us with the flowers we ordered. On <u>rare occasions</u> substitutions may need to be made.