

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S	9:00 a.m. Worship (DS1)	10:00 a.m. Women's Study (Romans) (BAAC)
	10:45 a.m. Bible Study (Nave)	5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting (228)
	7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH)	W 10:00 a.m. Adult Study (Acts) (BAAC)
M	Memorial Day	1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC)
	Office Closed	T 6:30 p.m. Worship
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Study (Romans) (228)	

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: There were **204** people that attended services last week in person and **120** households streamed the services for a total of **324**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

THANKS: My heart is filled with gratitude for the people who step up and make things happen here at EGL, from Board officers to volunteers. You make our life together here possible in all the ways the WHY Discovery process is revealing -- from the Green Team and Garden Ladies to Sunday School teachers. Those who pulled together the special music and reception for Pr Sam Lee last Sunday did wonderful work! Even the Sunrise Dancers themselves articulated to me their joy in being part of such a unique celebration. Likewise, when I see the efforts many have invested in the running of our church, I realize that we could not have paid for such dedication and commitment in tough times. I want to single out Rob Hipke, our comptroller, and Amy Stroh, our Business Manager, for special recognition. When I stop and realize the team we have at EGL, on so many levels, serving the Bride of Christ here, I am moved to give thanks to the Giver of every good and perfect gift! -- Pr Skovgaard

NEW SEMINARY PRESIDENT: This past week Rev Dr Jon Bruss took over as the new President of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne. You'll hear words of thanksgiving in our public prayers this Sunday for Bruss as he picks up the responsibilities from outgoing President Larry Rast. You can read more about Bruss at www.ctsfw.edu. These are good men, and pastoral theologians.

END-OF-YEAR-TEACHER SUPPORT: Please show your support and thanks for the EGL school staff as the school year ends. Since they have cared for the children in their classrooms, and many have been part of our community for years, let us also care for them as they move on from the school at EGL. Please remember Amy Weymier, Kenzie Peters, Laura Patterson, Angie Steinke, Casey Dodge, Joe Benson, Reid Otto and Stephanie Bahr in prayers for God's care while they transition. Also consider how you may bless and encourage them by sending them gift cards or other items, which may be left in the church office for Amy Stroh to deliver.

PET APPRECIATION WALL: You've seen in recent weeks the announcement that the Church Office is looking for 4x6 photos of your pets, whether they are cats, dogs, horses, or gerbils, etc. If you have a great photo but it's on your phone, feel free to email Mrs Amy Stroh at astroh@egl.org with the digital version of the photo. The office is collecting digital copies and will make sure copies are printed out for the staircase wall!

OAK HILL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY: Again this year our Brookfield community will remember and give thanks for those who served our nation in the Armed Forces, paying the ultimate price for the freedoms we currently enjoy. There will be a Memorial Day ceremony at Oak Hill Cemetery, just north on Brookfield Road of Brookfield Academy, beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 27. Speakers, prayers, honor guards, and refreshments will be enjoyed by all.

LWML: The LWML morning group will meet on Wed, June 5 in the BAAC at 10:00 a.m. The Bible study, found on page 17 of the spring issue of *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* is based on the hymn, "**Take My Life and Let It Be.**" We will be discussing the many blessings and gifts that God gives us to serve Him and His people.

LUTHERAN YOUNG ADULTS LEAGUE is pleased to invite you to the Chinooks Baseball Game on June 26 at 6:35 p.m. Join us in the Modelo Beerpen at Kapco Park (12800 N. Lake Shore Dr. Mequon, WI 53097). **Sign up** to score a free ticket that includes all-you-can-eat ballpark fare, sides, desserts, and two drinks! To sign up, please contact LYAL via Facebook, Instagram, or email bergkarl1@gmail.com! Play Ball! LYAL (ages 21-35) provides opportunities to meet new people, forge friendships, & have fun!

WHY DISCOVERY: Last November EGL began the WHY DISCOVERY process with South Wisconsin District Mission Executive Dr Nathan Meador as our facilitator. This process seeks to help congregations re-appreciate who they are in Christ and the work that God has prepared for them to do in their specific acres of God's vineyard, ala Ephesians 2:10. The WHY statement we've developed in collaboration with Meador is: "God has established EGL to proclaim Christ, receiving and sharing His gifts in Word and Sacrament." Broad in scope, this statement is meant to give purpose and anchor all the activities we do in receiving and sharing the gifts of God. Very soon you will see (likely on the wall in the overflow room) space for adding sticky notes under 5 different subcategories all the events and activities EGL engages in. You are invited to participate and help identify all the things we do, under the applicable subcategory. Those five areas are: education, fellowship, Divine Service and pastoral care, reconciliation, and outreach. Once we see them all on display, we can ask ourselves, how does each activity support that goal of receiving God's gifts and sharing them with others?

IN HIS IMAGE CONFERENCE ON SEXUALITY: Lake Country Lutheran High School is hosting a free CLI (Connecting, Learning, Innovating) event at LCL on June 4 and 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: the first day is for Pastors, June 4; that evening is open to the community, June 4; the following day is for educators, June 5. See the posters by the main entrance and elevator for event and registration information or contact Nancy Ewert at newert@doxology.us.

GREEN BAY NFL ALUMNI YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMP: This non-contact football instruction camp will be here at Elm Grove Lutheran from July 8 – 12 and is available for boys and girls ages 6 to 14. It will feature NFL Alumni Packers, professional coaches, high-rep-fun-training, skill development, building confidence, developing life skills through competition, fun contests, tournament action, and super football Friday. For more information and to register go here: www.alumnicamps.com or call (877-226-9919).

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. Many people unfortunately are unable to work or attend school, because they do not have a pair of shoes. The collection box is in the church's upper entryway.

EGL PARENT/YOUTH NIGHT: Middle Schoolers, High Schoolers, and their parents are invited for games, fellowship, and pizza on Tuesday, June 11 @ 6 p.m. (Location TBD). You won't want to miss this one! Please let us know if you are coming by Friday, June 7 by emailing youth@egl.org. ALSO, make sure to check your emails for our Summer Event Schedule!

2025 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING UPDATE: The 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering is almost a year away! Parents and youth (aged 14-19 by the time of the gathering) wanting to attend the gathering, make sure to pick up an Adult Leader Application or a Youth Letter of Intent in the back of church. If you have any questions about the gathering please talk to Ben Ewert or email youth@egl.org.



