

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 (DS2)	5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC)
	10:30 a.m. Bible Study	W 10:00 a.m. LWML (BAAC)
	7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH)	1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC)
M	5:00 p.m. HA Gym Rental	5:00 p.m. HA Gym Rental
	5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC)	6:30 p.m. Worship
	6:30 p.m. Property/BOCE Meeting (BAAC)	6:30 p.m. Gym Rental
	7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)	7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Romans) (228)	
	10:00 a.m. Women's Study (Romans) (BAAC)	

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: There were **156** people that attended services last week in person and **65** households streamed the services for a total of **221**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: Join us for pizza dinner, drinks, and popcorn with the movie. Friday, December 20, 6:30 p.m. in the CLC. The cost is a free-will offering. We will watch a live-action Christmas musical adventure that combines classic Christmas melodies with humor, faith, and pop songs in a retelling of Mary and Joseph and the birth of Jesus. Feel free to bring a comfy movie chair. RSVP by December 18 to evangelism@eql.org

SWD CONVENTION NOMINATIONS: The South Wisconsin District meets in convention June 9-10, 2025, at Concordia University Wisconsin in Mequon under the theme of "Nicaea at 1700." The regular business of the convention includes the election of officers -- President, regional Vice Presidents, Circuit Visitors, CUW Board of Regents, District Board of Directors, and District Convention Nomination Committee. Nominations for District President and Vice President must be made by congregational action and the nomination forms available on the convention web page must be signed by the President/Chairman and the Secretary of the congregation, by March 10, 2025. These original forms are to be mailed to Secretary Knuth at the SWD office by the appropriate deadline. The other recommendation forms should also be completed, signed, and returned to the District for the other various offices by January 31, 2025. Copies of the instructions and various nomination forms can be found on the credenza in the back of the nave. You may also go here to read the same

material: <https://swd.lcms.org/president/convention.html>

SEAMSTRESS SOUGHT: We are looking for someone to craft new children's book bags for our little ones to use during Church. If you are interested in helping with this please contact Amy in the Church office or email her at astroh@eg.org. Thank you!!

THE LUTHERAN A CAPPELLA CHOIR OF MILWAUKEE presents their Christmas concert, *"...and night shall be no more,"* Friday, December 6, 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 121 W. Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha and Sunday, December 8, 3:00 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church, 8424 W. Center St., Milwaukee. Tickets are \$20 General Admission. Students are free with student ID. Tickets can be purchased at <https://lutheranacappella.org/> or talk to Rick Ewert. Come hear music from Bach, Manz, Kirchner, Rutter, Wilberg and more!

EGL YOUTH GROUP is having a Christmas Party on Friday, December 13, 6-8 p.m. in the Youth Room and Gym. Enjoy playing in a Mario Kart tournament, beach ball volleyball and minute-to-win-it games. Food will be provided. Please plan to attend!

LWML CHRISTMAS PARTY: Wednesday, December 4, at 10:00 a.m., the morning group will meet in the BAAC for its Christmas party with the focus being a Christmas devotion with participation for all. The Christmas story will be shared with scripture verses, narration, and singing of favorite Christmas songs. Plan to attend. Each lady is asked to bring 6 cookies and a sandwich.

GROW IN GOD'S WORD IN 2025 – Join an EGL Bible Study!				
Day & Time	Location	Topic	Open To	Pastor Leader
Sun 10:30-11:30	Sanctuary	Formula of Concord	All	Skovgaard
Tues 7-8 a.m.	Rm 228	Romans	Men	Skovgaard
Tues 10-11 a.m.	BAAC	Romans	Women	Hipenbecker
Wed 10-11 a.m. (except 1 st Wed. of Month)	BAAC	Acts	All	Skovgaard

ALSO CALLING ALL HOME BIBLE STUDY GROUPS: If you are willing to invite new members, contact the BOCE so we can promote it and encourage EVERYONE in our EGL family to "let the Word of Christ dwell in ypu richly" (Co.. 3:16) in 2025!

ADULT SURVEY: The Elders are requesting that adults in our congregation complete a survey. You may complete the survey by following the QR code below or there are hard copies in the back of Church. Please complete them and put them in the red mailbox near the Church mailboxes. Thank you very much for your time!



BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: We plan to meet on Thursday, December 19, at 9:30 a.m. in the BAAC to discuss the book, *The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride* written by Joe Siple.

This Advent Season the Sunday sermons will focus on the Old Testament Prophets while the Midweek sermons will focus on the "I Am" statements of Jesus.		
December 4, 6:30 p.m.	Midweek Advent	"I Am the Light of the World" (John 8:12)
December 8, 9:00 a.m.	2 nd Sunday in Advent	"Return to the LORD Your God!" (Malachi 3:1-7b)
December 11, 6:30 p.m.	Midweek Advent	"I Am the Resurrection and the Life" (John 11:25)
December 15, 9:00 a.m.	3 rd Sunday in Advent	"The LORD Rejoices Over You With Singing" (Zeph. 3:17)
December 18, 6:30 p.m.	Midweek Advent	"I Am the Good Shepherd" (John 10:11, 14)
December 22, 9:00 a.m.	4 th Sunday in Advent	"He Will Be Their Peace" (Micah 5:5)
December 24, 5:00 & 8:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve	"I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (John 14:6)