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Palm Sunday

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The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S	9:00 a.m. Worship - C 10:30 a.m. "Pericope Plunge" and Sunday School 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg (FH)	W	5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC) 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC) 1:00 p.m. Sheepshead (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. Gym Rental 7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
M	9:00 a.m. Wauwatosa PD Training (805) 5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC) 6:30 p.m. LWML (BAAC) 7:00 p.m. Church Council (228) 7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)	T	9:30 a.m. Book Discussion Group (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service – C
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228) 9:00 a.m. Tosa PD Training (805) 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (BAAC)	F	12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service 6:30 p.m. Good Friday Service

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: There were **209** people that attended services last week in person and **69** households streamed the services for a total of **278**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

EGL FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING: The EGL golf outing is back! Sponsored once again by the EGL Foundation. This year's *Drive to Thrive* Golf Outing and Dinner will be held on Friday, May 9. We will once again be holding a raffle instead of an auction as well as many other familiar things from years past. Along with various raffle items supplied by generous donors, there will be a wine pull, a chance to win a new iPad, heads and tails, and a dinner catered by Bunzels. If you aren't a golfer, please still join us for the evening festivities, including an amazing dinner! All money raised this year will go toward the roof repairs needed for Elm Grove Lutheran Church. If you are paying by check, please make them payable to the Elm Grove Lutheran Foundation. Sign up today! We look forward to seeing you on May 9!

EGL FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING DONATIONS: The EGL Foundation is looking for donations of wine and raffle items. If you are unsure what to purchase for raffle items and would like to donate to the raffle, please feel free

to donate money specifically for the raffle and a Foundation member will use the money to purchase raffle items. There is a box in the church library for donations.

MAUNDY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY OFFERINGS collected are designated to continue our support for Bienfait Romero and Jonah Khalid. Bienfait has finished his studies at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Pretoria, South Africa, and has finished his vicarage. He is seeking a way to the US where he plans to study at the LCMS Seminary in Fort Wayne, IN. Jonah is a Sudanese Lutheran Pastor seeking to build a congregation and a school in the Nuba mountain region of Sudan. These two men have great potential in their service to God and the church, and we have an opportunity to help them.

BASKETS OF BLESSINGS 2025: Would you be willing to put some items in a basket (will be provided) that would bring a smile of appreciation from one of our shut-ins? The basket, names, contact information and suggest list of items will be available between services in the upper hall outside the church library/coffee area on Sunday, April 6 and April 13. Please pick out a name, fill the basket and deliver it before 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).

VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE at Elm Grove Lutheran Church, in the Fellowship Hall, Wednesday, May 7, 2:00 - 6:30 p.m. Schedule your appointment online using the QR below or contact Rick Ewert 262-289-9333 /BloodDrive@egl.org. Blood fact: 1 out of every 7 hospital patients needs blood. Step up and donate!



ST PAUL'S PRISON JOURNEY: The Wednesday morning co-ed Bible study just finished a two-year study of the book of Acts. At the end, Acts 28:14-15 describes St. Paul's journey as a prisoner to Rome along the Appian Way. This Sunday morning for the adult study hour we will watch a video presentation by Dr. Thompson who will follow Paul on his 121-mile journey from Capua to Rome via the Forum of Appius and the Three Taverns mentioned in Acts. Dr. Glen L. Thompson holds a M.Div. from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary and a M.A. and Ph.D. in ancient history from Columbia University. From 2002-2011 he was a Professor of History at Wisconsin Lutheran College and then Academic Dean and Professor of New Testament and Historical Theology at Asia Lutheran Seminary in Hong Kong until his retirement. His research seeks to identify the exact paths of Roman roads.

THE LUTHERAN A CAPPELLA CHOIR OF MILWAUKEE presents their spring concert, "My Song Is Love Unknown," Friday, April 25, 7:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 12700 W. Howard Ave., New Berlin and Sunday, April 27, 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. The program features a varied selection of Lenten/Easter anthems by Alice Parker, John Rutter, Gil Martin, Elaine Hagenburg, and more!

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EASTER BRUNCH: Make plans to join us for brunch on Easter Sunday. We will have an assortment of fantastic food items and will be serving in the Fellowship Hall from 8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. If you are able to contribute some of the needed food items or if you are able to help with clean-up after the breakfast, please sign up using this SignUpGenius Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4DA8AD2EA5FD0-55641352-easter>. There is also a paper sign-up sheet available in the back of the church.

NEW THIS YEAR! CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG GARDEN: Children and grandchildren are invited to visit the Easter Egg Garden to find some special treats. (Bags will be provided.) The garden is located in the West Fellowship Hall from 8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. You may also stay to enjoy the Easter Brunch.

SAVE THE DATE for a "Better Late Than Never" evening to celebrate and thank EGLS' formally called teachers (ending in June 2024 school year), Amy Weymier, Laura Patterson, and Kenzie (Peters) Peterson. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, June 28, at New Berlin Hills Golf Course. Watch SEASONS and the weekly newsletters for more details.

2025 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING UPDATE: EGL's Youth Ministry thanks you for all of your support. Unfortunately, we will not be taking our youth group down to New Orleans in July. Fortunately, there is still an opportunity to volunteer for anyone 18+. Team Flex applications are open until April 30th (<https://www.lcmsgathering.com/volunteer/#Tea>

mFlex). We are looking to take a group of volunteers on a "Mission Trip" to help with the Youth Gathering. Dates would be Friday, July 18, to Monday, July 21 or Tuesday, July 22. Contact Ben Ewert for More information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL will not meet on April 20, Easter. Let's celebrate the Lord's resurrection in Church with your family!

LUNCH BUNCH: The Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday April 24, at 11:45 a.m. at the BRAVO Restaurant at Brookfield Square. There is nice, ample parking available. (Note: this is not the usual third Thursday but the fourth Thursday, since April 17 is Maundy Thursday.) For questions and/or to confirm attendance contact Nancy Roozen 262-366-0679.

WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY: All women are invited to join us (She Shed gals) in studying "Promised Rest: Finding Peace in God's Presence," by Michelle Diercks. We will meet every Wednesday evening starting April 23, 5:30-6:45 p.m. in the BAAC for eight weeks through June 11. We will be flexible to include those who cannot join every week, of course. Each weekly lesson has 5 daily readings. The study is available through CPH or Amazon. Please join us around God's Word, seeking His Peace in Christ together! Ask Nancy Wolck if you have any questions.

STAMMTISCH Come on out and join us at EGL Stammtisch as we connect with those around us, in a warm and relaxed environment over a few cold ones and "schnecks". Join us for our monthly EGL guys' get-together of great conversation and great libation. We continue to meet in the Bartelt Center (BAAC) at EGL. Our next get together is April 24, from 7:30-9:00(ish) p.m. If you are new to EGL or Stammtisch, come on out and give it a try! Bring a friend and snacks to share! See you there!!! For more information, please text or call Bruce Bessert at 414-526-8430.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: Thursday, April 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the BAAC is our next meeting. The book to be discussed is ***The Aviator's Wife*** by Melanie Benjamin. It is historical fiction about Anne Morrow Lindbergh. If you like to read, please join us.

LWML: The evening group of LWML is scheduled to meet on Monday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Friendship Library with the mission project being assembling Birthday Bag Kits to be given to inner city Lutheran churches in Milwaukee.

Holy Week

#1 **Friday:** Arrival in Bethany. John 12:1

#2 **Saturday:** The Sabbath, probably spent 'hanging out' with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus.

#3 **Sunday:** Palm Sunday entry. Matt. 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:28-44; John 12:12-19.

#4 **Monday:** Time to clean out the Temple. Matt. 21:10-17; Mark 11:15-18; Luke 19:45-48.

#5 **Tuesday:** Arguments and parables. Matt. 21:23-24:51 (Olivet Discourse); Mark 11:27-13:37; Luke 20:1-21:36.

#6 **Wednesday:** Mark 14:1 mentions this day as a day the chief priests and scribes conspire to kill him.

#7 **Thursday:** Passover/Last Supper. Matt. 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-23; John 13:1-30.

#8 **Good Friday:** betrayal, arrest, trials, crucifixion. Matt. 27:1-66; Mark 15:1-47; Luke 22:66-23:56; John 18:28-19:37.

#9 **Rest in the tomb.** At some point during the Sabbath, Christ descended into hell to proclaim victory (1 Peter 3:19).

#10 **Resurrection.** Matt. 28:1-13; Mark 16:1-20; Luke 24:1-49; John 20:1-31.