

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Thursday, July 3, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 6, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.

Divine Service 4



EGL WHY Statement: "God has established EGL to proclaim Christ, receiving and sharing His gifts in Word and Sacrament."

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Blest Be the Tie That Binds – Gordon Young

Hymn of Invocation

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Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Psalm 19:2, 4–6; antiphon: v. 1

P The heavens declare the glory of God,

C and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

P Day to day pours out speech,

C and night to night reveals knowledge.

P Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

C In them he has set a tent for the sun,

P which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,

C and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

P Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them,

C and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

ALL Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The heavens declare the glory of God,

C and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

Kyrie – Collect of the Day

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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 66:10–14

¹⁰“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; ¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.” ¹²For thus says the LORD:

“Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees.

¹³As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

P How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,

C who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.

P Their voice has gone out to all the earth,

C and their words to the ends of the world.

Epistle

Galatians 6:1–10, 14–18

¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. . . . ¹⁴But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. ¹⁷From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. ¹⁸The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Luke 10:1–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ²And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your

town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.¹² I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town. ¹³“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. ¹⁶“The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.” ¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles’ Creed

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Hymn of the Day

788 Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness

Sermon

“Putting Things in Perspective” (Luke 10:1-20)

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness – Dennis W. Zimmer



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(Those who are not communing may place their cards in the offering plate.)

Service of the Sacrament

EGLC Communion Statement

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated here in the glad confidence that those who commune actually eat and drink the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with, and under the bread and the wine. Only those communicants who believe this and who repent of their sins receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Those who do not believe this or who do not repent of their sins will commune to their harm. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the specific teachings of the faith which is confessed in this congregation, those who are not in agreement with this understanding of the Lord’s Supper, or who belong to a religious community that is not in Altar & Pulpit Fellowship with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are requested to consult with the presiding minister before communing.

Preface – Agnus Dei

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Hymns During Distribution

972 I Trust, O Christ, in You Alone

1 I trust, O Christ, in You a-lone; No earth-ly hope a-
 2 My sin and guilt are plagu-ing me; O grant me true con-
 3 Con-firm in us Your Gos-pel, Lord, Your prom-ise of sal-
 vails me. You will not see me o-ver-thrown
 tri-tion And by Your death up-on the tree
 va-tion. And make us long to hear Your Word
 When Sa-tan's host as-sails me. No hu-man strength, no
 Your par-don and re-mis-sion. Be-fore the Fa-ther's
 And fol-low our vo-ca-tion: To spend our lives in
 earth-ly pow'r Can see me through the e-vil hour,
 throne a-bove Re-call Your match-less deed of love
 love for You And show Your love in all we do.
 For You a-lone my strength re-new. I cry to You!
 That He may lift my dread-ful load, O Son of God!
 And then, at last, when death shall loom, O Sav-ior, come
 I trust, O Lord, Your prom-ise true.
 I plead the grace Your death be-stowed.
 And bear Your loved ones safe-ly home.

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606 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

518 By All Your Saints in Warfare (stzs 1, 19, 3)

Nunc Dimittis – Benediction

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Closing Hymn

965 God Bless Our Native Land

Postlude

America the Beautiful – Lee Erwin

ALTAR PARAMENTS: The green paraments of the Pentecost season prompt us to remember that our life in Christ is one of growth, as branches connected to the Vine produce good fruit.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Flowers on the altar have been placed by Barbara Kurth and family in memory of Fred Kurth, who was called to his heavenly home 13 years ago on June 28, 2012. To God be the glory!

Participants

Presiding Minister

Pastor Eric Skovgaard

Organist

Richard C. Ewert

Elder

(6:30) Eric Thompson (9:00) Rick Wegner

Chancel Assistant

(6:30) Kirk Midtbo (9:00) James Drabiszczak

Usher Team on duty (6:30) Dan Berry, Caleb Nelson, Laura Traas, Aislyn Wegner, Jake Wegner, Randy Wegner, Rick Wegner, Ryan Wegner

(9:00) Tom Brojanac, Ben Ewert, Emily Ewert,

Matthew Ewert, Peter Holzwart, Ken Schuppner, Duane Wunsch

Altar Guild

(6:30) Sherri Bond, Jean Kruse

(9:00) Carol Ewert, Shelly Skovgaard

SERVING NEXT WEEK

THURSDAY, JULY 10 (6:30 P.M.)

ELDER: Paul Haut

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Kirk Midtbo

USHER TEAM 1: Anthony Bagwell, Pam Ganswindt, Andrea Kysely, Steve Nelson, Shelly Skovgaard, Cathy Tuttrup, Matt Zientek, Mikayla Zientek

SUNDAY, JULY 13 (9:00 A.M.)

ELDER: Matthew Stroh

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Doug Grelk

USHER TEAM 2: Chase Hipke, Connor Hipke, Rob Hipke, Thomas Hipke, Tyler Hipke, Carter Klein, Ian Klein, Michael Klein, Ann Wilcox, Christine Wilcox

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S	9:00 Worship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 3:00 p.m. Joshua Teggatz Ordination and Installation, dinner to follow 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting (FH)	W	8:00 a.m. Packer Camp 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC) 1:00 p.m. Sheepshead (BAAC) 5:30 p.m. Gym Rental
M	8:00 a.m. Packer Camp 8:45 a.m. Summer Math (228 & 229)	T	8:00 a.m. Packer Camp 6:30 p.m. Worship
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228) 8:00 a.m. Packer Camp 5:30 p.m. Summer Math (228 & 229)	F	Office Closed 8:00 a.m. Packer Camp S Rental (FH)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: There were **150** people that attended services last week in person and **59** households streamed the services for a total of **209**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

TEGGATZ ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION: Everyone is invited to join together on Sunday, July 6, at 3:00 p.m. for this special event for Pastor-elect Teggatz. A meal to celebrate will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL DONATIONS: Trinity is requesting donations to help them get started here at EGL. If you are able to contribute to the high school please donate via Vanco (found under the "give" section at egl.org) or by writing a check to **Trinity Lutheran Classical High School**.

TUESDAY A.M. BIBLE STUDY: The 10:00 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study will take a break until after Labor Day. We thank Pastor Hipenbecker for his faithful guiding of this class over the past year while Pastor Skovgaard attended to District President responsibilities. Anticipate getting to know the new Associate Pastor Teggatz in this class.

STAMMTISCH will not be held in July and August. Watch Seasons and the newsletter for information on starting back up in September!

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: The EGL Book Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, July 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the BAAC to discuss the book ***Dear Edward*** by Ann Napolitano. This is a historical fiction book about a 12-year-old boy Edward, who is the lone survivor of a plane crash. He finds hope and meaning to life among the trauma of losing his family.

DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST: Thank you to everyone for all of the well wishes showered on me Saturday evening. It has been an honor and privilege serving side by side with all of you as I taught His lambs. Thank you for your support of Lutheran education. May God continue to bless all of you. In Christ, Amy Weymier

TOUR THE HOLY LAND IN EASTERTIDE OF 2026! There is something special about meditating on the Scriptures in the very places where the events occurred. Pastor Aaron Koch of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Greenfield will be leading a tour back to the Holy Land next April. Destinations include Bethlehem, Nazareth, Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes, Mt. Carmel, Caesarea Philippi, Qumran, Masada, and of course the temple mount, Gethsemane, and the places of Jesus's trial, death, and resurrection in Jerusalem. We will visit the site of Jesus' baptism at the Jordan River, take a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee, and take a swim in the buoyant Dead Sea. PLUS there is an optional trip extension to Egypt to ascend the Mountain of Moses in Sinai, and see the Sphinx and the Great Pyramids of Egypt. It only takes a \$500 registration to hold your spot for this tour. Spaces are limited so you are encouraged to sign up soon. (There are discounts if you register early.) Pick up a brochure in the narthex or go to registernow.ittworld.com and put in the tour code **Koch26** to get a downloadable brochure with all the information you need. And if you have any questions, feel free to call Pastor Koch at 414-795-9005. We hope you'll be able to take part in this great experience!

DVD OF EGL BUILDING PROGRAM: Due to popular demand, a number of DVD copies were made of the Elm Grove Lutheran Church building program 1954-1955. You may recall that this silent video of the construction of our church and school and the march up Watertown Plank Road was shown during the adult Bible study hour on Mother's Day, May 11. Ask Pr Skovgaard or Mrs Stroh if you're interested in a copy.

VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE at Elm Grove Lutheran Church, in the Fellowship Hall, Wednesday, August 13, from 2:00 - 06:30 p.m. Schedule your appointment online using the QR below or contact Rick Ewert 262-289-9333 / BloodDrive@egl.org. There is no substitute for human blood. Give the ultimate gift. Give blood.

