

**ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**Sunday, April 12, 2026 – Volume 78, Number 4.2**  
**The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod**

**Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar**

S	9:00 a.m. Divine Service 10:30 a.m. Adoption Presentation 10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 3:30 p.m. Pickleball (Gym) 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting (FH)	6:00 p.m. Empower Volleyball (Gym) 6:30 p.m. Visitation Team Meeting (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. TLCHS Board Meeting (228)
M	11:00 a.m. New Berlin PD Training 5:00 p.m. Intrada Ringers (MC) 6:00 p.m. Empower Volleyball (Gym) 7:00 p.m. Board of Directors (228) 7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)	W 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC) 1:00 p.m. Sheepshead (BAAC) 7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228) 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:15 p.m. Exultate Ringers (MC)	T 9:30 a.m. Book Discussion (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. Divine Service 7:30 p.m. Stammtisch (BAAC) 7:30 p.m. Empower Volleyball (Gym)

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**IN THE LORD'S HOUSE:** There were **551** people that attended services last week in person and **219** households streamed the services for a total of **770**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will resume on Tuesday, April 14 as we continue our Psalms study by jumping into Psalm 27. All ladies are welcome!

**A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Dennis Braun for all of his help with the solar panels. They were not working to their full benefit and after Dennis' diligence in this project the church is now getting full benefits in savings from the solar panels. Thank you Dennis; your work is appreciated!

**MABAS LECTURE:** Please join the Milwaukee Area Biblical Archaeology Society for a free public lecture on Tuesday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. at Wisconsin Lutheran College, Fine Arts Building, Reichel Hall (FM15) and live on Zoom. **Written in**

**Stone: The Significance of Inscriptions for Understanding the Ancient World**, an illustrated lecture by Dr. Daniel Schowalter (Emeritus Professor of Classics and Religion at Carthage College).

**EGL FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING:** Mark your calendars for Friday, May 8! The EGL Foundation is once again hosting a golf outing, dinner and raffle. All proceeds from this event will go to support Trinity Lutheran Classical High School. Sign-up forms are now available in the back of the church along with donor/sponsor forms. You can drop off completed forms in the golf outing mailbox in the mailbox room. The deadline for sign-up this year is April 24!

**THE EGL FOUNDATION** is looking for donations of money to be put toward purchasing a premium raffle item for the Drive to Thrive golf outing. Any donations which go past the price point of that item will be put toward purchasing gift cards for the raffle. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Wilcox at 262-409-5888.

**PICKLEBALL KICKOFF:** Our first pickleball session will be **TODAY, Sunday, April 12 from 3:30-5:00 p.m. in the gym** (please enter through the external youth room doors). We will have several nets and paddles ready to go and all are welcome! Rules will be discussed so don't worry if this is your first time, we'd love to have you! If you own paddles, please bring them.

**ADOPTION:** We've seen the scary numbers of ongoing abortion in our country. One of the consequences of the fight for life is that in our discourse we usually reduce the options to a binary choice between keeping the baby or aborting, when a beautiful, life-affirming choice remains -- to consider adoption. EGL is partnering with Lutheran Counseling and Family Services [LCFS] and other LCMS congregations in the Milwaukee area this fall to highlight the gift of adoption via billboards, social media, and radio. As part of that effort, Mrs Kathryn Lamb, the adoption coordinator at LCFS, will be with us on Sunday morning, April 12, during the Bible study hour to help us appreciate what LCFS can do for us in this arena.

**ABORTION:** According to the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute, 1.12 million babies were lost to abortion in 2025. That number is roughly the same as in 2024. When you crunch the numbers, that comes out to roughly 3,000 a day every day of the year. To put that in perspective, that's more than was lost to Islamic terrorism on 9/11. The Guttmacher report documents a decline in interstate travel for abortions but an increase in telehealth abortions, essentially getting the pill through the mail. These numbers come almost four years after the Supreme Court decision, *Dobbs v. Jackson* ruling, which returned the topic of abortion to the States. The battle for pre-born life continues.

**COFFEE DONATIONS:** The money that is donated during the time of fellowship after Church on Sundays is being donated to the signage project.

**EGL STAMMTISCH:** Hey Guys! Well... April may bring showers but we have a warm and relaxing

place to celebrate! Join us for this month's EGL Stammtisch. We again will be in the Bartelt Center at EGL, so it still should be a little quieter and more conducive to great conversation and great libation... always lively, always timely, always lots of variety, in a fun atmosphere of Christian fellowship. If you are new to EGL and/or have not joined us before, please come on out and give it a try! Bartelt Adult Activities Center (North end of the EGL complex) Thursday, April 16, from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. (ish)... for more info, please text or call Bruce Bessert at 414-526-8430. Bring a friend and snacks to share! See you there!!! (Thursday, May 21 will be the next gathering... plan ahead!)

**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE SIGNAGE PROJECT:** EGL is preparing to enhance signage throughout our campus to better welcome visitors, provide clear direction, and reflect our identity in Christ. Our goal is to raise **\$75,000** to fund new monument signs, updated lettering, directional signage, and necessary electrical work. The Foundation is providing a matching gift of \$1 for every \$2 raised to support this effort. Thank you so much, currently we have already reached \$33,000 and will be able to begin this project starting with the sign in the front of the church. Graphic boards showing the proposed signs and locations are in the back of the church. "Let your light shine before others..." (Matthew 5:16)

**LUNCH BUNCH** will meet at Maxim's on April 16 at 11:45 a.m. Please RSVP to Claire Schuppner at 262-255-2671 by April 13.

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP:** The group will meet on Thursday, April 16 at 9:30 a.m. in the BAAC to discuss the book, *The Great Hippopotamus Hotel: No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* written by Alexander McCall Smith. This spacious hotel near a grove of Acacia trees in the Botswanan countryside has had a good reputation for weary travelers until strange things start happening. Detectives Mma Ramotswa and Mma Makutal take on this new intriguing case and uncover surprising results.

**LWML ZONE 3 RALLY:** Blessed Savior Lutheran LWML is hosting the Zone 3 LWML Rally on

Saturday April 25 beginning at 9:00 a.m. with registration and breakfast and the program and meeting starting at 9:45 a.m. Pastor Zachary DeArmond will lead the Bible study. Bennet Reisler the Mission Advocate, will speak on the topic, "Share the Work of our Synod." Gifts from the Heart will be given to A Place of Refuge. Items include children's books ages 2-5; Dr. Brown's baby bottles and nipples; lightweight blankets; 6-9 months sweater and sleepers; 6-9 months boys and girls outfits; and size 5 diapers. The address of Blessed Savior Lutheran Church is 15250 W. Cleveland Ave., New Berlin, WI. Plan to attend. Congregation members who would like to donate items for A Place of Refuge may place the items in the big Mite Box near the LWML Bulletin Board. Thank you.

**THE LUTHERAN A CAPELLA CHOIR OF MILWAUKEE** presents "Coming Home" featuring John Leavitt's "Missa Festiva" plus music by Brahms, Haydn, Craig Courtney, Stephen Paulus and more! There are two performances: Friday, April 24, at 7:30 p.m., Saint Monica Parish, 5681 North Santa Monica Boulevard, Whitefish Bay and Sunday, April 26 at 3:00 p.m., Mount Carmel Lutheran Church, 8424 W Center St., Milwaukee, WI 53222. Tickets are \$20 and students are FREE with student ID. Tickets are available for purchase in advance or at the door.  
<https://lutheranacappella.org/>

**VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE** - Wednesday, May 6, 2:00 p.m.- 06:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. One blood donation can save up to 3 lives! Every donation creates a ripple of hope. Make a lifesaving difference today—schedule your appointment:

[https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/11621257](https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11621257) or contact Rick Ewert: [BloodDrive@eql.org](mailto:BloodDrive@eql.org)/262-289-9333.



**CHRIST FOR YOU THIS WEEK ON KFUA AM850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org):** A blessed Easter to you! On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT), tune in as we pick up the account of Joseph in our study of Genesis! Tune in for Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT) as we wrap up our study in Numbers. This week, we'll be continuing with chapter 33. Don't forget to join us for The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 a.m. CT)! We'll be checking in with the folks over at Lutheran Bible Translators, as well as continuing our new series, "Getting to Know the Council of Presidents." Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or in the KFUA Radio app!