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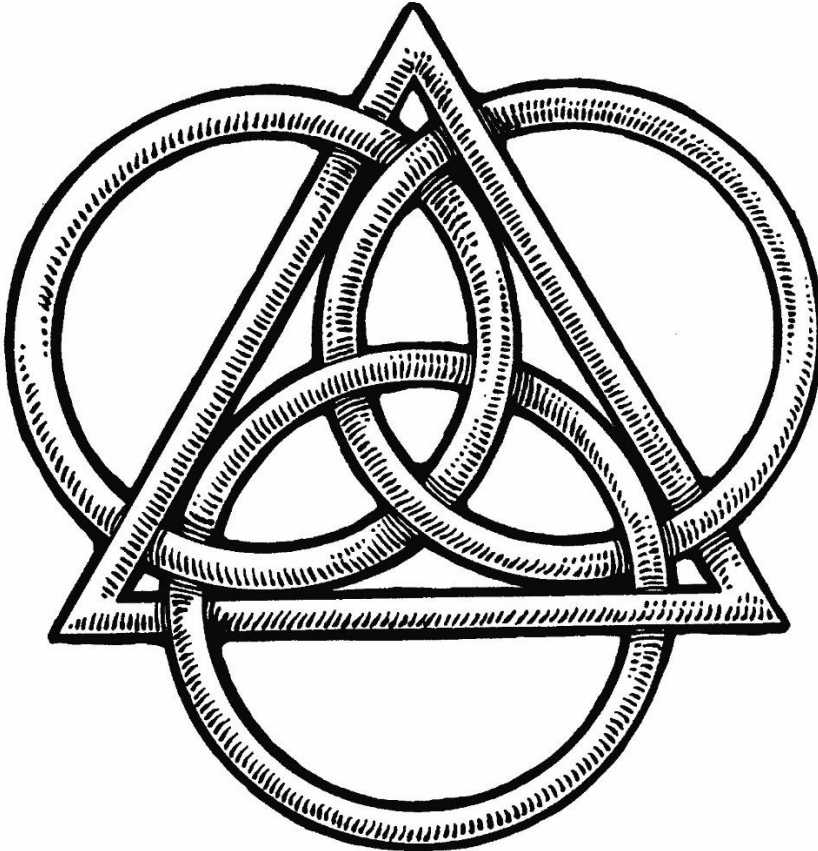
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THE HOLY TRINITY

Sunday, May 31, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.

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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.

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

Children in Worship

"Let the little children come to me." Jesus delights in faithful parents bringing their children to hear His Word. EGL gladly joins Christ in that joy! Thank you for bringing your children with you to worship! You are welcome to sit wherever you want. While some find it best to sit in the back with their children, for easy access to the cry room, others find their children are better behaved when sitting near the front so that they can see what is happening in the chancel. If your child needs a moment to settle down, ask an usher to point you to the nursery or cry room. But please bring your child back soon so that he or she can be with us as we receive Christ's gifts and as we collectively raise our voice in prayer and song. Be sure to sing the hymns and join the liturgy's responses so that your child learns from you what should be done in church. If you are without children, encourage parents with little ones and offer assistance as needed.



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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy – Donald Busarow

Opening Hymn

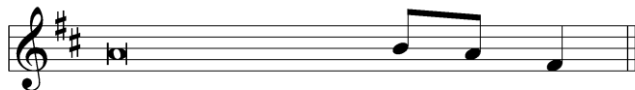
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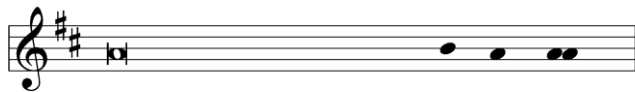
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L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

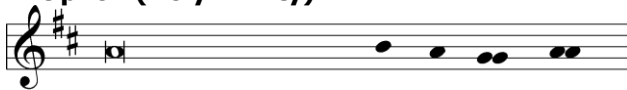


as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Antiphon (Holy Trinity)



L The Lord has called us by the Gos - pel.

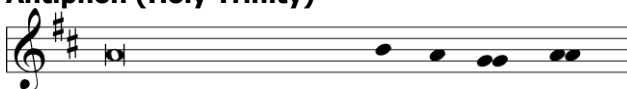


C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite (*Sung*)

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Antiphon (Holy Trinity)



L The Lord has called us by the Gos - pel.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Psalm

Psalm 8

P O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

C You have set your glory above the heavens.

P Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because of your foes,

C to still the enemy and the avenger.

P When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

C the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

P what is man that you are mindful of him,

C and the son of man that you care for him?

P Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings

C and crowned him with glory and honor.

P You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;

C you have put all things under his feet,

P all sheep and oxen,

C and also the beasts of the field,

P the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,

C whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

P O LORD, our Lord,

C how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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.

Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. ⁶And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. ⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. ¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. ²⁰And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." ²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. ²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²⁶Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." ²⁷So God

created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. ¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation. ⁴These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Hymn

1 God, whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard
And took their flight:
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the Gospel day
Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light!

2 Lord, who once came to bring,
On Your redeeming wing,
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind:
Oh, now to humankind
Let there be light!

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979 God, Whose Almighty Word

3 Spirit of truth and love,
Life-giving, holy dove,
Speed forth Your flight;
Move on the water's face,
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light!

△ 4 Holy and blessed Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might!
Boundless as ocean's tide,
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the earth, far and wide,
Let there be light!

Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . ²²Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves

know— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ ²⁹Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, “The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’ ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Matthew 28:16–20

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Common Responory

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Sermon

“The Revealed God” (Matthew 28:16-20)

Canticle

941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

The Athanasian Creed

L Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic* faith.

C Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

L And the catholic faith is this,

C That we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

L For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

C But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

L Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

C The Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

L The Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

C The Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

L And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

C Just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

L In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

C And yet there are not three Almighty's, but one Almighty.

L So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C And yet there are not three Gods, but one God.

L So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C And yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

L Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

C So also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

L The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

Men The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

Women The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

L Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

Men And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;

Women But the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

All Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

L But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.

Men He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages;

Women And He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:

All Perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;

L equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

Men Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:

Women One, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

All one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.

L For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

C Who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,

L Ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

C At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.

L And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

C This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

Offering

Alleluia, Let Praises Ring – Kevin Hildebrand

(After the offering, please pass your attendance card toward the center aisle to be collected by an usher.)

Kyrie – Benediction

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Closing Hymn

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Postlude

We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God – John A. Behnke

ALTAR PARAMENTS: Today white paraments bring to mind the pure, Triune Godhead: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit whom we praise and adore, together with the whole company of heaven.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Placed by Bruce and Karla Bessert with thanksgiving to God in memory of Bruce's sister Sherry Marose.

Participants

Presiding Minister

Pastor Skovgaard

Assisting Minister

Pastor Teggatz

Organist

Richard C. Ewert

Elder

Doug Grek

Chancel Assistant

Jim Olson

Usher Team on duty

Dan Berry, Caleb Nelson, Laura Traas, Aislyn Wegner, Jake Wegner,

Randy Wegner, Rick Wegner, Ryan Wegner

SERVING NEXT WEEK
THURSDAY, JUNE 4 (6:30 P.M.)

ELDER: Bruce Bessert

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Doug Grell

USHER TEAM 5: Sharon Boudro, Kirk Midtbo, Diane Olson, Jim Olson, John Schaefer

SUNDAY, JUNE 7 (9:00 A.M.)

ELDER: Jason Krueger

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Jim Olson

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

EGL in the Word (Holy Trinity Sunday)

Old Testament Reading- Genesis 1:1-2:4

We begin at the beginning this weekend. Genesis 1:1-2:4 records the cosmic account of creation in six days, as well as the institution of the Sabbath on the seventh day. These are very familiar words, but on this Holy Trinity Sunday, notice two things. First, the Triune God is present even at the beginning, as the Father creates, the Son is the Word by which that creation exists (see John 1:1-3), and the Spirit hovers over the waters, pointing us to the source of both creation and recreation in Holy Baptism. And second, as glorious as the cosmic sweep of creation is here, the culmination of this creational crescendo is man and woman, created in the image of this Triune God, set apart to image the Creator to His created world (1:26-28).

Epistle- Acts 2:14a, 22-36

Last week, on Pentecost Sunday, we heard the first half of Peter's sermon, largely focused on the giving of the Holy Spirit and how the Old Testament pointed to this. Today, Peter moves to the incarnation, suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus of Nazareth. For this is the Holy Spirit's job: to bring people to Jesus. Peter keeps citing the Old Testament, this time drawing upon two psalms (16,110) to point to the resurrection, with the resounding conclusion that Jesus is "both Lord and Christ" (2:36). Notice the Triune God at work. The Father raises and exalts the Son. The Son pours out the Spirit. And the Spirit points back to the Son.

Gospel- Matthew 28:16-20

The conclusion of Matthew's gospel gives us the call of the Church. It's to Jesus that all authority in heaven and on earth has been given (28:18). And Jesus sends his apostles out to all nations in that authority for the sake of proclaiming the Gospel. How? Three actions: (1) going, (2) baptizing, and (3) teaching. We baptize in the Triune Name and all that that Triune God has done (see the Creed). But, it doesn't stop there. We keep coming together to teach and be taught. We come to be steeped once more in the waters of our baptism, with the sure and certain promise that Christ shall remain with us always, even to the consummation of the age.

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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S	9:00 a.m. Divine Service	6:30 p.m. TLCHS Board Meeting (228)
	10:30 a.m. Bible Study/Confirmation	W 10:00 a.m. LWML (BAAC)
	3:30 p.m. Pickleball (Gym)	1:00 p.m. Sheepshead (BAAC)
	7:00 p.m. AA Meeting (FH)	T 6:30 p.m. Divine Service
M	6:00 p.m. Empower Volleyball (Gym)	7:30 p.m. Empower Volleyball (Gym)
	7:00 p.m. Barbershop Group (FH)	F PALS (Multiple Rooms)
T	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (228)	S PALS (Multiple Rooms)
	10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study	
	6:00 p.m. Empower Volleyball (Gym)	

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Call first)

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: There were **138** people that attended services last week in person and **68** households streamed the services for a total of **206**. "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

CHURCH OFFICE: Thanks be to God that we have some willing volunteers to help cover the Church Office responsibilities in the months ahead. However, because each of their efforts are part-time and will vary from week to week, the Church Office will not be staffed consistently as we've grown accustomed to enjoying. Consequently, please call or email before stopping in to potentially save yourself a trip. Every reasonable effort will be made to respond promptly to phone calls and emails, but please be patient in this interim period.

VOTERS ASSEMBLY UPDATE: At the regularly scheduled Voters Assembly on Sunday, May 17, the Voters re-elected James Drabiszczak and Dan Berry, this time to 3-year terms. The Voters also elected Andrew Alles to his first term on the Committee of Elders, as well as re-electing Jason Krueger. We thank Rick Wegner for his service

among the Elders as his term expires. The Voters also approved the budget for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1. Head Elder Paul Haut updated the assembly on the responsibilities of the Elders under the new constitution and bylaws.

MADISON INTL OUTREACH: As many of you already know, Rev Dr Samuel Lee is an SWD Missionary at Large for Outreach to International students, especially in Madison. If you would like to check out the Madison International Lutheran Fellowship for an overview and list of activities, please go to their website:

<https://www.madisonintl.org>

Pr Lee says that with this website volunteers and internationals we know can get in touch with him. It is his sincere hope that more and more internationals will hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ and make the Lutheran Confessions their own.

LIVESTREAM HELP NEEDED: Are you interested in helping our livestream ministry advancing the slides or being the producer/camera operator? Please contact Mark Ewert or Pam Ganswindt for more information. Knowing our service flow is a plus.

USHER HELP NEEDED: We are in need of help with ushering during our worship services. If you are interested in joining an usher team please contact the Church office.

BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION: We are thankful for those who have stepped forward to help cover the administrative needs of the Church Office; however, their efforts are temporary, so if you are interested in hearing more about the Business Manager position, please contact Pr Skovgaard (262-797-2970 or Executive@egl.org).

LET'S GO BREWERS! On Saturday, June 13, everyone is invited to a cook-out dinner and a fun evening of cheering for our team! There will be several large screens for viewing in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you can join us. Our Brewers evening begins at 6:00 p.m. Please let us know how many fans will be attending. There is an RSVP sign up at the back of the church or you may call the church office: 262-797-2970.

CELEBRATE OUR NATION'S BIRTHDAY: In June we have a great opportunity to invite friends, coworkers, and neighbors to visit our church for a special musical event scheduled for 3 p.m. Saturday afternoon, June 20. Our own Rick Ewert and former EGLer Prof. Aaron Wunsch from the Julliard School will team up for a program of music celebrating our nation's independence. We hope to welcome many visitors from our community and the region to a concert of organ and piano favorites plus some hymn singing. Open up this code below on your smartphone and copy it into emails or social media Posts, together with your personal invitation.



EGL STAMMTISCH! Welcome to Summer, Guys! Warmer temps, nice weather (hopefully!) and certainly appropriate for great conversation and fellowship over a "cold one", so join your friends at the **June EGL Stammtisch** on **Thursday, June 18** at 7:30 p.m. in the Bartelt Center. We'll be taking our standard break for July and August and will be back again in September!

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

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: We will meet on Thursday, June 18, at 9:30 a.m. to vote on the suggested books for 2026-2027. No discussion on a book will take place. On Thursday June 25 we are scheduled to enjoy a Tea at 11:45 a.m. at the Dousman House. A brief history of the Dousman House will be given. During our enjoyment of this special Tea, we will discuss the book ***Little House in Brookfield***, written by Maria D. Wilkes. This tells the story of Caroline Quinner who was born and lived in Brookfield, Wisconsin. She grew up to become the mother of Laura Ingalls Wilder, the author of the Little House books. Cost of the tea is \$25 to be given to Paula Keefer.

PICKLEBALL: Our next pickleball open gym is **Sunday, May 31, from 3:30-5:00 p.m.** in the school gym (enter through the external youth room door). Come join us for fun and fellowship!