

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 21st & 22nd, 2024

PLEASE PRAY FOR Kate Schley, Pauline Blum (Mary Meister's Aunt), Vern Schuetz (dear friend of Steve & Diane Mueller), Mark Mostrom, Ruth Ann Nemet, Max Rosenbaum, Susan Koller, Warren Wilson, Tony (Farmer) Endres, Margaret Twiton, Paul & Lois Kerscher (Amy Thompson's parents), Paul Baum, Dolores Kahl, Sara Kittleson, Terri Naylor (Dennis & Mary Lokken's daughter), John Scheele & family (Char Smith's Brother in Law) Linda Stoenner, Ken Rabideau (Helen Ladwig's Brother in Law), Steve Mueller, Joyce Fargo, Alycen McKinney, Cara Mavis, Joan Schraepfer (Rita Schraepfer-Derke's Sister in Law), Todd Collins, Norm Hefty, Lincoln Kuhn, Mary Jane Ellis (friend of Bonny Kellogg), Bonnie Bender, Ginger Quaderer (Diane Mueller's cousin), Delores Bryant, Makenzee Smith, Brock Howe, Jeannie U'Ren, Mike Olson, Grace Aavang, Carol Johnson

CONGRATULATIONS Thomas Twiton and Cheyenne Larson on the occasion of their marriage this Saturday September 21st!

THANK YOU to Pastor Barry Hoerz for filling in so that Pastor John could share in the celebration of Thomas and Cheyenne along with their family and friends.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

ELC FAMILY NIGHT - Oct 2nd, 7 pm - 8:30 pm - Everyone is invited to our Family Nights at ELC. Join us in playing Bunko. Easy game for all. Bring a dessert to share. Time for fellowship with our ELC family.

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION RETREAT - Oct 6th, 11:00 am - 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall - Youth will create their stoles, and work on faith statements (lunch will be available)

7th & 8th GRADE CONFIRMATION- 7th & 8th graders meet weekly on Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the St Olaf room (lower level)

TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION - 7th & 8th graders, please use the QR code to register.

<https://forms.gle/egewr2q11EAtGoXeA>

CONFIRMATION
REGISTRATION
7th & 8th



SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 am - 11 am - Youth, who are 3 years old - 8th grade are invited to participate each week. Join us to hear Bible stories, music, play games, enjoy snacks and participate in monthly service opportunities. We will begin weekly in the chapel.

REGISTER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL - Follow this link or QR code: <https://forms.gle/AAbtEkniJQ9DNQLA7>

Sunday School
Registration



INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL?

For Sunday School each week, we have teachers and helpers who guide our children through a Bible story, craft and games. No planning time needed. All supplies are ready each week for each class. Lesson plans are emailed, usually on Friday before. Time commitment is the time on Sunday AM. Other opportunities to help would be with our service opportunities, Christmas program, preparing materials, and/or providing snacks. If interested, please email brenda.martin@elcmthoreb.org.

FUSE SCAVENGER HUNT - 9th - 12th graders are welcome to join our high school group on **Sunday, Sept 22nd at 7 pm for a Goosechase scavenger hunt and have a campfire with smores.** Fun time to hang out with friends at ELC.

COLLEGE ADDRESSES: With many of our young adults moving this fall, we are updating our contact information for college students of ELC. Please use the link or the QR code. For those attending UW Madison, UW Whitewater and UW Platteville, we share names and contacts with Lutheran Campus Ministry. They reach out to them, to help them with their faith journey.

<https://forms.gle/L5zG8jocro1NTBPa7>

COLLEGE
ADDRESSES



BUCKY BOOKS -FOR SALE

Bucky Books are available for the new year! Pick up a copy after worship, contact a high school youth or Brenda. Each book sells for \$35.00. Don't miss out on the new books and their amazing offers. Thanks for supporting our youth.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

ELC COFFEE TIME - Everyone is welcome to join us **Wednesdays at 9:30-11 am (new time) in Fellowship Hall.**
A great time to connect with our church family.



ELC SEWING DAYS. - are **Thursdays from 9am to Noon** in Fellowship Hall

FARMER'S MARKET on the front lawn of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for summer 2024! All markets run 3:00pm - 6:30pm on Thursdays.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION September 29th after worship in fellowship hall. Anyone interested in exploring membership in ELC is welcome to attend.

QUILT RAFFLE HAS STARTED!

The quilt, made by Linda Topper, has been given to ELC by her husband John to use as a fundraiser. Proceeds will go to the roof project and other important initiatives. Great addition to any home, or a great Christmas gift for someone special.

John has been asked to draw the winning ticket after the service on November 17th.

Please visit the display in the Narthex and purchase a raffle ticket. They are \$10.00 each.



Monday-Thursday 9am-Noon & 1-4pm
Friday 9am-Noon



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED on Tuesday, September 24th to assemble the September newsletter. **Newcomers are welcome.** The assembly process usually takes about 2 hours. Please, come and enjoy the fellowship!

As summer draws to a close, it is time to take note that giving to the general fund has fallen off, leaving us in dire straits at bill paying time. We needed to spend \$5,000 from the designated fund's reserves to cover this month's payroll. This isn't sustainable, and we're asking everyone to assess if you've been contributing your intended amounts to the general fund. Perhaps it's time to increase your regular giving. A small amount given by many makes a huge difference in our cash flow. If you give quarterly or yearly, perhaps consider dividing your donation to get us through this difficult stretch. In each bulletin you will notice the shortfall between our expenses and the actual money received each week. We can and must do better as a whole body. We can't rely on a few to uphold the obligations of the Church.

Our congregation has always stepped up when needed. We've seen that recently when paying for the new building addition, for the stained glass in the sanctuary, and for a new roof. Sometimes the ongoing day-to-day needs of the church can be overlooked in contrast with more exciting building projects. But in the end the building exists to support the church, and it's our ability to fund those day-to-day expenses that determine whether or not our church will continue to thrive. Please evaluate carefully how you might be able to help with this difficult situation.

GENERAL FUND AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$ 7,358
GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF Sept. 9th	\$ 4,575
ROOF AND BUILDING FUNDRAISER COMMITMENTS	\$44,646
	59% OF \$75,000
WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	SAT 9/14 12
	SUN 9/15 130

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE

	<i>This Week</i> <i>Sept. 21st & 22nd</i>	<i>Next Week</i> <i>Sept. 28th & 29th</i>
ACOLYTES	<i>Sunday</i> Landon Kahl Drake Ploessl	<i>Sunday</i> Vanessa Rameker Josie Sailor
COMMUNION ASSIST	<i>Sunday</i> <i>No Communion</i>	<i>Sunday</i> <i>No Communion</i>
READERS	<i>Saturday</i> Ann Baumgartner <i>Sunday</i> Jim Cook	<i>Saturday</i> Dawn Haag <i>Sunday</i> Amy Sinner
USHERS	<i>Sunday</i> Doug Nesheim Gerald Stamm	<i>Sunday</i> Carol & John Nielsen
NURSERY	Open but Not Staffed -Located across from the library.	
ALTAR GUILD	<i>September</i> - Cathie Field, Sara Hellenbrand, Laura Miller, Sharon Schiefelbein, Amy Kellesvig	
COUNCIL DUTIES	<i>September</i> -Sean LaBorde	