

WELCOME

ELC of MOUNT HOREB

We welcome all to ELC. Everyone. Without exception. Regardless of race, ethnicity, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, faith traditions, physical or mental abilities, financial resources, family status, or personal struggles. We are committed to being an anti-racist community. By the power of the Holy Spirit we will work to extend God's grace, love, justice, and dignity. You belong here. Your story and your life are valuable. In Christ's love, we welcome you.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT ELC

Holy Communion Celebrated 1st & 3rd Sundays at all services.

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm- (in Chapel) Modified Traditional Worship

SUNDAY 9:00 am Blended Service

Pre-recorded online worship available:

www.elcmthoreb.org/home/worship/sermon-archive/

or listen to Sunday service "live" on your phone 855-514-2017

MORNING DEVOTIONS by Pastor John on the ELC Facebook page at 8am Monday through Saturday

ELC'S STAFF

Pastor John Twiton

Accompanists: Ruth Heinecke, Barb Underwood

Agape Preschool Director: Amy Kellesvig

Bell Choir Director: Kristin Willcutt

Custodian: Brian Johnson

Junior Choir Director: Barb Underwood

Music Team Leader: Barb and Chris Underwood

Office Manager: Nancy Voss

Organist/Senior Choir Director: Diane Dangerfield

Youth Director: Brenda Martin

“For All the Saints”

November worship always begins with “All Saints’ Sunday”, a celebration that I look forward to with both anticipation and regret.

I love taking this time to remember the witnesses of faith that have gone before us. It is powerful to see people’s faces as they light candles and gather around the altar, where we proclaim that we gather not just with those in the pews, but with angels, and archangels and all the company of heaven.

I am also taken aback by the very real feeling of loss as the list of saints that have impacted my life grows longer each year. But the day is more than a remembrance. It is also a day of proclamation!

For we proclaim that death’s power is only temporary. We sing the vision more often than we sometimes realize, but especially that day we proclaim in our hymn, “For All the Saints”, a vision of a transformation from death to life. Listen again:

*And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

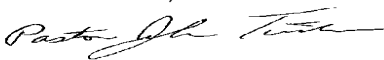
*But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Even more powerful is to recall that the power of that transformation is available to us, even now. God’s Spirit fills our life this day, fills our gathering when we worship, brings strength, courage, and life right now.

Dear friends, we are the saints this world needs today!!!

We need to be the witnesses to Christ’s light in the midst of the fear, anger, and despair of our age. We need to bring Christ’s invitation, compassion, and healing to our families, friends and community. For too long we have allowed the voices of judgement, falsehood, division, and despair to represent the church to the narrative of the church in our world. We need to bring Christ’s light this day!!

God’s Peace,



CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM- Our Confirmands celebrated their 'Affirmation of Baptism' on Reformation Sunday, October 27th. Our youth who were confirmed:

Chase Collins

Harvey Hellen

Mara Parks

Josephine Sailor

Adelie Zwolanek

Sam Grundahl

Claire Hurda

Drake Ploessl

Skyler Schulenberg

Connor Heiting

Landon Kahl

Vanessa Rameker

Carter Vesely

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 am - 11 am - Youth, who are 3 years old - 8th grade are invited to participate each week. Join us to experience the Bible stories through various engaging activities. We will begin weekly in the chapel.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TO SING -Join us on **November 3rd**, during our worship service at 9 am, to hear our youth share two songs they love!

7th & 8th GRADE CONFIRMATION: 7 pm

- **Nov 6th** - Family Service Night
- **Nov 13th & 20th** - Regular class time
- **Nov 27th** - No Class (Happy Thanksgiving)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOV 10th, 10 - 11 am - We need a few 7th & 8th graders to help lead our Sunday School youth on Nov 10th. (Supervising simple crafts, snacks and movie.) This allows for our teachers who are voting members, to attend the Annual Meeting.

FUSE BAKING CHALLENGE - 9th - 12th graders are welcome to join our high school group on **Sunday, Nov 17th for a Baking Challenge**. Bring your favorite brownie recipe. We will have the basic ingredients. Brownies will be judged on flavor and decorating. Fun time to hang out with friends at ELC.

CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS *cont.*

FAMILY 'SERVICE' NIGHT - NOV 6th, 7 pm - 8:00 pm: Everyone is invited to our Family Service Night at ELC. We will be assembling personal kits for the homeless in Asheville. Please sign up on the link to bring the given items.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DAEA929A5FFC70-52649311-personal>

We also will be collecting new stuffed animals for the children. Bring all items to church by Nov 4th. Place in the tote in the Narthex. Thank you for helping Asheville.

BUCKY BOOKS -LAST DAY on Nov 10th - Bucky Books are available through November 10th! Pick up a copy after worship, or contact Brenda. Each book sells for \$35.00. Thanks for supporting our youth at ELC.

Brenda Martin, Youth Ministries Director

brenda.martin@elcmthoreb.org



AGAPE

Autumn greetings from Agape,

The fall parent/teacher conferences will take place in early November. We look forward to meeting all our families and sharing everything about their fantastic children. As the cooler weather arrives, the teachers will have lessons about putting on all our warm weather layers so we can still have fun playing outside. We will also learn about fall, farms, farm animals, tractors, and Thanksgiving.

We will be selling Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards for \$36.00, starting on November 4. The card has five ultimate car washes which typically sell for \$10 per wash. These cards will provide a savings of \$14.00 to the purchaser and will make great gifts for the upcoming holiday season! Please email, call, or stop in to purchase cards. The cards will be available to purchase until December 20, 2024.

The teachers, board of directors and myself are so thankful for your continued support of the preschool and its ongoing ministry.

Blessings and Happy Thanksgiving,
Amy Kellesvig, Director
608-437-7100
agapekids@mhtc.net

Upcoming dates:

Nov 25 4K Monday – 4K Students attend school.
Nov 27 - 29 No 3K or 4K preschool classes; Closed for Thanksgiving
Break



Agape
Christian Preschool

TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE SHEET	9/30/24	8/31/24	12/31/23
General Fund	(2,009)	(5,127)	9,486
Building Capital Fund	18,104	16,062	10,271
Designated Funds	74,642	74,663	109,292
TOTAL	90,737	85,598	129,049

We've raised \$18,000 for the building capital fund and the new roof, and we've received commitments for an additional \$25,000. We need about \$75,000 in the building capital fund, so we're about 57% of the way there. Getting a new roof will be our big project for 2025.

The general fund stabilized somewhat in September. A surplus of \$3,117 raised the general fund balance up to -\$2,009. We were able to cover that debt by timing our payments at the end of the month. We had \$6,409 in the bank, \$6,911 in outstanding checks, \$1,807 in outstanding payroll tax liability, and \$300 in petty cash.

Designated fund expenses last month included \$1,000 to the school district, and \$36 for the kitchen. Income included \$211 for youth, \$50 for Neighbors Helping Neighbors, and \$48 unspecified.

Respectfully submitted by Ben Brothers, October 3, 2024

TREASURER'S REPORT Cont.

CASH FLOW	Sept 2024	YTD 2024
General Fund Income	29,983	282,144
General Fund Expenses		
Mission and Outreach	1,917	18,591
Personnel	18,741	201,018
Congregational Life	1,489	11,313
Facilities and Administration	4,719	62,718
Total General Fund Expenses	26,866	293,640
Net General Fund Gain (Loss)	3,117	(11,496)
Other Income		
Building Capital Fund	3,318	37,550
Benevolence	793	9,448
Designated Funds	309	11,924
Total Other Income	4,420	58,922
Other Expenses		
Building Capital Fund	1,276	29,716
Benevolence	86	9,386
Designated Funds	1,036	46,635
Total Other Expenses	2,398	85,737
Net Gain (Loss) from Other Expenses	2,022	(26,815)
NET GAIN (LOSS)	5,139	(38,311)

BENEVOLENCE

Ensuring health care is accessible for all

Even for those of us fortunate enough to have quality health insurance, the cost of your premiums, deductibles and co-pays can take a real bite out of your budget. And you've likely looked closely enough at a bill from a clinic visit or procedure to have your eyes opened to the out-of-pocket cost for those services if you're the 1 in 9 state residents without insurance.

Many people in both camps find it difficult or impossible to come up with the money for proper care for acute incidents and persistent illnesses or conditions, which leads them to bypass that care – which, in turn, snowballs into debilitating or even life-threatening conditions.

Fortunately, places like Our Lady of Hope Clinic in Middleton and Community Connections Free Clinic in Dodgeville have recognized this issue and provide solutions. Both are nonprofit clinics that offer medical visits to the uninsured for little or no cost.

We've featured these organizations regularly through Benevolence the past few years, and will do so again in November. Through our donations, we can help people avoid difficult decisions about where to spend their limited discretionary funds – on everyday expenses like gas and food, or the most precious thing of all: their health.

Our Lady of Hope is a Catholic nonprofit clinic that has served the community for 15 years. The clinic is able to provide care for those in financial need thanks to donations and a membership model where clients with means pay a monthly fee for access to quality, personal primary care. More than 55% of visits are made by patients without insurance, oftentimes working full-time jobs that don't provide coverage.

Community Connections' mission is to provide basic health care to those who cannot afford or access medical services in Iowa County and surrounding areas. CCFC aims to eliminate obstacles to health care one patient at a time. There is no charge to see providers, and prescription medications are provided at little or no cost as needed. Since its inception in 2006, the clinic has served nearly 3,000 individuals and provided just shy of 15,000 office visits. The average annual prescription savings per patient is estimated at \$4,400. Their work is accomplished by 127 medical and lay

BENEVOLENCE Cont.

volunteers and two part-time staff people, and is supported generously by donations from local individuals, churches, businesses and organizations, as well as grants and fundraising events.

There are a few ways to support these organizations:

Connect: To learn more about these organizations, visit their websites (ccfwi.org and ourladyofhopeclinic.org), and "like" their Facebook pages.

Serve: Both organizations rely on a mix of paid and volunteer staff serving in a variety of roles to keep the operation running. Reach out to them to find out about specific opportunities.

Give: You can give financially by,

- **Mail:** Send a check to ELC and note "Benevolence" in the memo
- **Online:** Visit the ELC website and click "Give"
- **Digitally:** Download the **VANCO MOBIL FAITH ENGAGEMENT APP**, or text "Benevolence" to 608-400-0183 with the amount you wish to give.

Thank you for your support of Benevolence!

Adam Mertz

adammertz2@gmail.com

BENEVOLENCE 2024 Missions

January: Divine Savior, our sister church in Puerto Rico - \$2074

February: Compassion International - \$1258

March: ELC youth programming - \$859

April: Reconciliation in Christ (RIC) - \$1167

May: Neighbors Helping Neighbors - \$864

June: Solace Hospice, a new service for people of lesser means - \$749

July: Lutheran Disaster Response - \$1114

August: Felicia's Closet, helping domestic abuse victims rebound - \$774

September: Saba, International - \$792

October: Madison Area Jail Ministry

November: Accessible local health care: Our Lady of Hope and Community Connections

December: Young Adults in Global Mission

COUNCIL



SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 10TH
Following worship

**Your participation is vital to setting the course for
ministry at ELC for the coming year!!!
Please plan to attend!!**

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PLEASE CONSIDER SAYING "YES"!

Evangelical Lutheran Church is a family of faith. In a family we all work together to accomplish daily life and keep us moving forward. Similar to a family unit, ELC needs leaders who step up to make decisions for the good of the family. Each fall we elect members to serve in these leadership roles. Thank you to so many who have served this year and over all the years of our congregation

Prior to ELC's annual meeting in November, the Nominating Committee will be making calls to fill these leadership roles. Please consider answering the call with a hearty YES, remembering also that serving is a form of worship, a way to express gratitude for what Jesus has done for us.

1 Peter 4:10-11 says, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms... so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ"

PRAYER list...

PLEASE PRAY FOR Jon Larson, Kate Schley, Pauline Blum (Mary Meister's Aunt), Vern Schuetz (dear friend of Steve & Diane Mueller), Mark Mostrom, Ruth Ann Nemet, Susan Koller, 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

Our partner congregation IGLESIA EVANGÉLICA LUTERANA DIVINO SALVADOR (Divine Savior Lutheran Church) in Cataño,

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:00 a.m. at Sjolind's
Chocolate House, 219 E Main

BABY CAP MAKERS will meet **Tuesday, Nov. 5 and 19, 9:30-11am** in the Luke Room. We've delivered a number of bags full of caps to Unity Point Meriter this summer and fall! Contact ruthheineck@gmail.com with any questions. Ruth has patterns and yarn available for interested knitters.

CHURCH COUNCIL will meet on **Monday, November 11 at 7pm** in the Matthew room.

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL Sunday November 17th during worship

MEMBERSHIP NEWS Cont.

SARAH CIRCLE will meet **Tuesday, November 19th at 7 pm** in the Matthew Room. We will do the Session 3 Bible study (Receiving Grace: A Study of Ephesians) from the November/December "Gather" magazine. Contact Connie Curran (curranconnie@hotmail.com) with any questions about the study materials or meeting details. Always welcoming new participants as well as those we haven't seen recently."

Come celebrate ELC's Partnership with Divine Savior in Puerto Rico.

The Office of the Bishop invites you to come to celebrate our partnership with the Caribbean Synod on:
Tuesday, November 19, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mt. Horeb
(315 E. Main Street, Mt. Horeb, WI 52572)

At this gathering, we will have the opportunity to share our stories of walking together with our Puerto Rican siblings from the Caribbean Synod.

We will also dream together about how to continue strengthening our partnership.

RSVP for this gathering at:

<https://scsw-elca.org/caribbeanpartnership/>

REBECCA CIRCLE will meet on **Wednesday, November 20th at 10 am** at Homestead. Doing Chapter 9 from Bad Girls of the Bible. Jeannie will bring treats and Linda will do the coffee.

ELC SEWING GROUP We meet every **Thursday morning from 9:00 am to Noon** in Fellowship Hall. If you would like to see how those beautiful quilts are made, please stop by. We'll be happy to show you how it's done. We also invite anyone interested in joining our group for the fun of fellowship and working on this stewardship project. All equipment and supplies are provided so come as you are.

INDOOR FARMER'S MARKET

The Mount Horeb Indoor Farmers Market will be held **Saturday, November 23rd from 8 am – Noon** in Fellowship Hall.

Reception of New Members

November 24th during the 9:00 am worship. If you've been considering membership, please contact Pastor John

MEMBERSHIP NEWS Cont.

November 11, 2024 is Veteran's Day

ELC wishes to Honor the sacrifices our active military and veterans make and have made for our country. Thank you for your service to the United States of America. Because of your dedication we have the freedoms our democracy is provided in the USA.

The following are active duty military serving our country at this time:

***Kamryn Huseth
Brynn Lunaas
Craig Mortvedt***

***Andy Kellesvig
Jack Lunaas
Grant Schult***

The following are veterans from our congregation who have served our country:

***Vaughn Ableman
Jerome our Bell
David Edwards
Chris Hook
Richard S Johnson
Kendall Kittleson
Ken Landen
Brandon Lutz
Jacob Slaney
Kaleb Stapelmann
Jim Uptegraw***


***Allan Bartz
James Collins
David Flom
Jeff Hook
Larry Kaletka
Scott Klassey
James Larson
Jim Mavis
Gerald Stamm
Steve Stensby
Delbert Warner***

***David Baumgartner
Daniel Edwards
Don Gordon
John Huseth
Paul Kellesvig
Wayne Knudson
Jon Larson
Robert Schiefelbein
Marc Stamm
Irvin Steinhauer
Jacob Warner***

**Our Veterans will be honored in our church services on
11-9-2024 (Saturday) and 11-10-2024 (Sunday).**



MEMBERSHIP NEWS Cont.



Give Something That
Means Something
GIVE BLOOD

Mount Horeb Community Blood Drive

Evangelical Lutheran Church

Friday, November 29
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Sponsor Code: Mt Horeb WI

Appointments preferred.

You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood by using Rapid Pass!
Visit [RedCrossBlood.org/Rapid Pass](https://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) for more information.



Give Nov 18 to Dec 8 for two pairs
of custom FRIENDS + Red Cross
socks, ltd qty. Keep one, gift one!

Schedule your blood donation appointment today!

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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HOLIDAY THROW BLANKET DRIVE

Share the warmth of Christmas
with people in need.

Consider donating new throw blankets
to Neighbors Helping Neighbors
and bring holiday cheer to an
area family. Bring your
donated blankets to church
during the month of November
and they will be distributed
in December. This holiday
you can make a
difference by providing a small
but important comfort!



If you wish to make a monetary
donation, it can be mailed to
PO Box 196 Mt. Horeb, WI 53572

or use the QR Code





Monday -Thursday 9am to Noon and 1pm to 4pm
Friday 9am to Noon

Nancy will be away from the office on Fridays November 1st & 8th.

The Church office will be closed on Friday November 29th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend.

STEEPLE ECHOES ARTICLES DUE BY Thursday, November 21st for the December issue.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED on Tuesday, November 26th at 9am to assemble the December newsletter. *Newcomers are welcome.* The assembly process usually takes about 2 hours. Please, come and enjoy the fellowship!

CHURCH E-MAIL LIST

If you would like to be added to our email list and receive weekly updates and other special announcements, please send us your email address to elc@mhtc.net You can unsubscribe at any time.

PLEASE BRING YOUR USED INK CARTRIDGES TO THE CHURCH OFFICE! Betsy Baguhn does a fabulous job of turning them in for ELC credit. This is a great way to help offset the cost of printing our bulletin and newsletter.



QUILT RAFFLE

This beautiful queen-size quilt, made by Linda Topper, has been donated by her husband John for a fundraiser for ELC.

A raffle will be held during the fall months with money raised donated to the roof project or other important initiatives. The quilt will be displayed in the Narthex during Sunday services. You may purchase any number of tickets for \$10.00 each. Let's do Linda's memory proud!



November

BIRTHDAYS

2	Eleanor Guenther	10	Mike Hanson	20	Ron Cushman
	Jody Morey		Ron Kellogg		Janice Warner
3	Madilyn Hadac	11	Amy Sadowski	21	Susan Koller
	Tara Hogseth		Martha Steinhauer		
	Dolores Kahl			22	Mary Thompson
	Addison Malinowski	12	Alan Fauque		
	Michael Vasen			23	Chris Laabs
		13	Tyrann Riechers		Samuel Olson
5	Kathy Conrad		Ian Samuelson		Linda Schroeder
	Bailey Fischer				
	Todd Fritz	14	Ryan Bredeson	24	Parker Fargo
	Jeri Huseth		Jaxon Lutz		
	Brianna Walton		Lucas Schult	26	Delaney Mertz
6	Tanya Howe	15	Jack Davis	27	Janet Ekenberg
	Henry Knudson				Heidi Ford
	Brooklynn Kreul	16	Joyce Hanson		
	Shayla Morin		Helen Ladwig	28	Reid Fargo
	Harlan Olson				Polly Rosborough
		17	Virgil Haag		
7	Steve Knuteson		Darlene Johnson	29	Dave Edwards
	Payton Schroeder		Paul Koller		Dawson Pasker
			Noah Laabs		
9	Brenda Martin		Cara Mavis	30	Rosann Field
	Beth Scheele				
	Delmar Siltala	18	Jacob Festge		
	Travis Stamm				

If we've missed you or a member of your family, or if we've listed your birthday incorrectly, please contact the church office.

WORSHIP ASSISTANCE-Updated

	NOV 2 & 3	NOV 9 & 10	NOV 16 & 17	NOV 23 & 24	NOV/DEC 30/1
ACOLYTES	<i>Sunday</i> Jacey Morin Zoe Stack	<i>Sunday</i> Evelyn Wyse Natalie Hogseth	<i>Sunday</i> Hudson Kahl Oliver Kahl	<i>Sunday</i> Hannah Schulenberg Sarah Zelle	<i>Sunday</i> Ellie Woolard Taylor Symons
COMM ASSIST	<i>Sunday</i> Diane Bartz	NC	<i>Sunday</i> Helen Kahl Available Available	NC	<i>Sunday</i> Diane Bartz Helen Kahl Available
READERS	<i>Saturday</i> Available <i>Sunday</i> Ben Brothers	<i>Saturday</i> Ann Baumgartner <i>Sunday</i> Diane Bartz	<i>Saturday</i> Bonny Kellogg <i>Sunday</i> Jim Cook	<i>Saturday</i> Available <i>Sunday</i> Amy Sinner	<i>Thursday</i> No Service <i>Saturday</i> Available <i>Sunday</i> Available
USHERS	<i>Sunday</i> Dennis Lokken Irv Steinhauer	<i>Sunday</i> Doug Nesheim Gerald Stamm	<i>Sunday</i> Carol & John Nielsen	<i>Sunday</i> Betsy Baguhn Jody Morey	<i>Sunday</i> Jim & Shannon Hadac
ALTAR GUILD	<i>November</i> -Patti Anderson, Karen Bunke, Polly Field, Dawn Haag, Mary Knudson <i>December</i> -Kerstin Edwards, Mary Lokken, Teresa Schult, Diane Twiton				
COUNCIL DUTIES	John Coffin				

**You'll find the sign up links on the ELC website-
Worship
Worship Assistants Schedule**