# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

September 13th & 14th, 2025

PLEASE PRAY FOR Catherine Ivey, Brian Johnson, Bryan Greve, Dani Sue Schroeder, Pauline Blum (Mary Meister's Aunt), Ruth Ann Nemet, Paul & Lois Kerscher (Amy Thompson's parents), Paul Baum, Dolores Kahl, Sara Kittleson, John Scheele & family (Char Smith's Brother in Law) Linda Stoenner, Ken Rabideau (Helen Ladwig's Brother in Law), Joyce Fargo, Alycen McKinney, Joan Schraepfer (Rita Schraepfer-Derke's Sister in Law), Norm Hefty, Lincoln Kuhn, Ginger Quaderer (Diane Mueller's cousin), Makenzee Smith, Brock Howe, Jeannie U'Ren, Mike Olson, Carol Johnson

# **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY-** We are kicking off our Sunday School year on **Sept 14th, 10:15 am - 11:00 am**. We will have a bouncy castle, popcorn, crafts and games to celebrate our first day back. Youth, who are 3 years old - 8th grade are invited to participate each Sunday. Join us to hear Bible stories, music, play games, create crafts, and enjoy snacks.



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

## 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. 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.

**7th & 8th GRADE CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation (7th & 8th) meets weekly on Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the St Olaf room.

**TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION** - 7th & 8th graders, please use the QR code to register. https://forms.gle/egewr2q11EAtGoXeA

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION 7th & 8th



### 9th GRADE CONFIRMATION:

- **Sept 14th at 4 pm 5 pm -** youth and parents gather at the Gunderson Camacho Funeral Home, 500 N. 8th Street, Mt. Horeb.
- Sept 28th at 11 am 1:30 pm youth will gather in Fellowship Hall to work on preparations for their faith statement.

**ACOLYTE TRAINING:** We will have acolyte training for our 6th graders (or anyone needing a review) on September 28th, 10:15 am. Please meet in the chapel.



**FUSE SCAVENGER HUNT** - 9th - 12th graders are welcome to join our high school group on **Sunday**, **Sept 21st at 7 pm for a Goosechase scavenger hunt and have a campfire with smores.** Let's start the school year off with faith and fellowship. Invite your friends!

**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. <a href="https://forms.gle/L5zG8jocro1NTBPa7">https://forms.gle/L5zG8jocro1NTBPa7</a>





**BUCKY BOOKS FOR SALE** - Bucky Books are available! Pick up a copy after worship, or click on the link or QR code to order for later pickup. Each book sells for \$35.00. Don't miss out on the new books and their amazing offers. Thanks for supporting our youth. https://forms.gle/XmW2rDfTOMgGSmYr9

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS



**ELC 'COFFEE TIME'** - Stop by for coffee and conversation. We will gather weekly on Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 11:00 am. in Fellowship Hall. Come whenever you can. *Everyone is welcome*!

**FARMER'S MARKET** on the front lawn of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for summer 2025! All markets run 3:00pm - 6:30pm on Thursdays.

**ELC SEWING DAYS** We meet every **Thursday morning from 9:00 am to Noon** in Fellowship Hall.

**BABY CAPS** -Are you interested in knitting or crocheting baby caps for Unity Point Meriter hospital? The need is great; an average of 450-500 babies are born there every month! Meriter provides us with yarn and patterns. During the school year, our group of crafty workers meets the first and third Tuesday of the month 9:30-11am in the Faith Room. We have fun sharing stories and craft ideas. **We will meet September 16th.** Contact <a href="mailto:ruthheinecke@gmail.com">ruthheinecke@gmail.com</a> or 608-444-4949 for more information.

**REBECCA CIRCLE** will be meeting at **10 am at Homestead on September 17**<sup>th</sup>. We will be watching and discussing Liz Curtis Higgs video from Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**SARAH CIRCLE** will meet **Tuesday**, **September 16th at 7 pm in the Matthew Room**. We will do the Sept Bible study from "Gather"
magazine. Contact Connie Curran (<a href="mailto:curranconnie@hotmail.com">curranconnie@hotmail.com</a>) with any questions about the study materials or meeting details. Always welcoming new participants as well as those we haven't seen recently."

### **CALLING ALL BOOK LOVERS!**

The ELC Book Club has met a few times and we enjoy it very much both because of reading new material as well as getting together socially. We'd love to have you join us.

Here are the details:

WHEN: Last Sunday of each month beginning September 28<sup>th</sup> immediately after the 9:00 a.m. church service

WHERE: Fellowship Hall not far from the doughnuts and coffee!

**WHY:** Social connection and reading regularly a variety of book types - all ideas welcome

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Love of reading, connecting
- Hearing and discussing differing opinions on a variety of topics
- All ages welcome!
- Didn't get the book read one month? That's OK! Come anyway for the great connection to ELC friends.

August is such a busy time with school starting, gearing up for Sunday School, new pastor coming, sports, etc. that we're regrouping the end of September. For our next meeting on **September 28**<sup>th</sup>, we're reading **Dear Church: A Love Letter from a Black American Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the US.** We'd love to see you there!

For other information or questions, you may contact Amy Sinner (<a href="mailto:amylsinner@gmail.com">amylsinner@gmail.com</a>), Vicky Rosenbaum (<a href="mailto:vsrosen63@gmail.com">vsrosen63@gmail.com</a>), Paula Van Ooyen (<a href="pvanooyenlll@gmail.com">pvanooyenlll@gmail.com</a>).

### **WE NEED YOU!**

The annual meeting is fast approaching (early November) and the nominating committee needs you to volunteer to be on the ballot for one of several positions. Openings exist for:

- Church Council (2-year term) 3 people
- Endowment Committee (2-year term) 1 person
- Personnel Ministry (2-year term) 3 people preferably with Human Resources background/training
- Nominating Committee (1-year term) 6 people
- Synod Voting Members (adults for Synod Assembly held in May) 1
  person
- Synod Voting Members (youth for Synod Assembly held in May) 2 people
- Sugar Creek Delegates (1 year) 2 people

If you are willing to serve in any of these capacities or have questions about the positions, please call Vicky Rosenbaum at 608 284-0813 or email at <a href="mailto:vsrosen63@gmail.com">vsrosen63@gmail.com</a>. Please consider being an active part of our congregation in one of these capacities. We do need you! Thank you!

Vicky Rosenbaum 608 284-0813

## MARK YOUR CALENDERS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12th

Pastor Karen and Marie from Synod will address our congregation in the sanctuary at 11:00 am on October 12th after Sunday school, to discuss the processes that will happen moving forward for our church. We want our Sunday school teachers to have the opportunity to participate in this discussion, hence the time. Council had the opportunity to meet with Marie and found her explanation of the process to be very informative and helpful. Some members of Council will set out the food for the 12 pm potluck so members can hear Marie and PK's message. Looking for to seeing you!

Following the ELC updates, we will join together for a POTLUCK in Fellowship Hall. Those with the last name beginning with A-I please bring a dessert, those with last name beginning with J-Q please bring a hot dish and those with last names beginning with R-Z please bring an appetizer or salad. Continued prayers as we continue our faith journey together.

Dianne Hirsch Council President

# **ELC Church Custodian Job Posting**

Part time ELC church custodian wanted. This position will call for 15 to 20 hours per 2-week pay period. Compensation will be commensurate with experience. The custodian is responsible for the appearance and cleanliness of the church building as well as light maintenance. This position calls for the ability to perform physical tasks such as bending, stooping, kneeling, lifting and climbing ladders. Duties include but are not limited to general cleaning, sweeping, mopping, vacuuming floors, emptying trash, and arranging tables and chairs in the fellowship hall to support church and community activities as needed. Maintenance requirements include changing light bulbs and furnace filters. The custodian will also monitor church systems such as the heating, cooling and electrical systems and report problems to the church office staff. Interested applicants should contact the church office to get a job application form.





## Fall Hours - Mon-Thurs 9am-noon & 1pm-4pm Friday 9am-noon

GENERAL FUND AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES \$7,358
GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR LAST WEEK \$7,153

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE SAT-18 SUN 86

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE		
	This Week Sept. 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Next Week Sept. 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st h</sup>
ACOLYTES	Sunday-9 am worship Caleb Gaulke Lucas High	Sunday 9 am worship Eva Larson Jacey Morin
COMM	Sunday 9 am worship No Communion	Sunday 9 am worship Kim Kelliher Available Available
READERS	Saturday 5 pm worship Ann Baumgartner Sunday 9 am worship Diane Bartz	Saturday 5 pm worship Available Sunday 9 am worship Paula Van Ooyen
USHERS	Sunday 9 am worship Wayne & Mary Knudson	Sunday 9 am worship Dennis Lokken Irv Steinhauer
NURSERY	Open but <b>Not Staffed</b> -Located across from the library.	
ALTA R GUILD	<b>September</b> -Cathie Field, Sara Hellenbrand, Laura Miller, Sharon Schiefelbein, Amy Kellesvig	
COUNCIL	September- Barb Underwood	

STEEPLE ECHOES ARTICLES DUE BY Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> for the October issue of the newsletter.