

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 31<sup>st</sup> & February 1st, 2026

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Cailyn Knuth (Jen Mullendore's niece) Steve Mueller, Jill Knuteson, Kathy Sies, Jennifer Hubert (Mary Meister's niece) Mike (Stick) Hirsch (Dianne's brother), Bryan Greve, Dani Sue Schroeder, Pauline Blum (Mary Meister's Aunt), Ruth Ann Nemet, Paul & Lois Kerscher (Amy Thompson's parents), Paul Baum, John Scheele & family (Char Smith's Brother in Law), 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

**CONGRATULATIONS & WELCOME** on the occasion of the baptisms of Waylon Jules & Leni Lu Cresson. We are grateful that their parents Ryan & Jordane Cresson have chosen to join ELC. We look forward to accompanying them all as they move forward on their faith journey.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH – Two Week Schedule

### Feb 1st (Sunday):

- Sunday School 10:15 am - 11:00 am, meet in chapel
- Troll Way Pizza Making - 8 am - 11:30 am

### Feb 3rd (Tuesday):

- Children & Youth Ministry Meeting in Youth Room, 7 pm - 8 pm

### Feb 4th (Wednesday):

- 7th/8th Grade Confirmation 7 pm - 8:30 pm

### Feb 8th (Sunday):

- Sunday School 10:15 am - 11:00 am, meet in chapel

### Feb 11th (Wednesday):

- 7th/8th Grade Confirmation 7 pm - 8:30 pm

### Feb 15th (Sunday):

- Sunday School 10:15 am - 11:00 am, meet in chapel

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### TROLL WAY PIZZA PICKUP: Pick up day, TODAY,

February 1st, in Fellowship Hall. (After worship service) 10 am -11:30 am. We have extra pizzas available if you didn't get a chance to order. Funds raised will support our mission trip in July. Thank you to everyone who helped assemble our pizzas, and everyone who purchased pizzas. We appreciate your support of our youth ministry.



## **PARENTS NIGHT OUT at ELC: Feb 20th, 5:30 pm -8 pm:**

Our high school youth will be offering a night of games, crafts, and treats for youth ages 3 years through 5th grade at ELC of Mt Horeb. Fundraiser for 2026 Mission Trip.

**Donation:** \$10 per child and \$5 for additional children (family rate).

**Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend. Sign up with the QR code or link: <https://vbspro.events/p/2bc778>**

FEBRUARY 20th  
Parents Night Out  
2026



**1st COMMUNION RETREAT - Feb 21 9:30 am - 12:00 pm-** Our 5th graders and their parents are invited to our First Communion Retreat in Fellowship Hall. **Sign up:** email [brenda.martin@elcmthoreb.org](mailto:brenda.martin@elcmthoreb.org).

**CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY** - We will have a Children and Youth Ministry meeting at ELC on **Tuesday, February 3rd, at 7:00 PM** in the Youth Room. Anyone interested in planning for our youth activities, join us!



**MISSION TRIP 2026 - WHO'S INTERESTED?** Open to our *current 8th - 12th graders*. We have one open spot! Our trip will be **July 12 - 18th, 2026** to Kansas City, MO. Great opportunity to experience and serve. Please contact Brenda (608.437.0332) to sign up, including a \$50 deposit. Balance paid by fundraising. Join us!

**'ABC' BAGS ARE UPDATED** - Our ABC Bags (Activity Bags for Children), have received some more love. These bags are available in the back of the worship space for children to use during worship. They have new bags, toys, snacks, and more. Following worship, please have children place them in the **'DONE'** box. Mary & Nick Meister will keep the bags updated weekly, so each bag is ready to go for our children in worship. Thank you to Mary and Nick.

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

**T-SHIRTS NEEDED:** We are recycling t-shirts, **adult size Large or larger**, and sewing them into diapers for our Baby Kits. Please drop them in the bin in the Narthex. Thank you for donating.

**COUNCIL** It is now part of the monthly Council member duties to make sure the doors are locked on Sundays. (We've left parents out in the cold after Sunday School, unable to get inside because doors were locked too early.) Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Dianne Hirsch, Council President

**ELC 'COFFEE TIME'** - Stop by for coffee and conversation. We will gather on the first Wednesday of each month, 9:30 am - 11:00 am. in Fellowship Hall. Come whenever you can. **Everyone is welcome! Future Date for 2026: February 4<sup>th</sup>.**



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

**ANNUAL USHER'S MEETING**, originally scheduled for January 24 has been **postponed**, due to extreme, adverse weather conditions (dangerously cold temperatures.). The new date, time, and location of the meeting is as follows:

**Date: Saturday, February 14**

**Time: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Location: Fellowship Hall**

The church continues to search for a few, new congregants to serve as ushers, and this postponement has allowed us more time to spread the word!

Anyone interested in further information should notify Usher Coordinator Jim Cook ([mthorebcubfan@gmail.com](mailto:mthorebcubfan@gmail.com) or 608-354-7053).

## **RECONCILING IN CHRIST Engagement Session**

The RIC Committee will hold an engagement session at 4:30 pm, on February 21, 2026, prior to worship in the Chapel. We would like your input, and we look forward to a good discussion. The questions we will discuss are:

- 1) What does it mean to you to be a RIC member/congregation?
- 2) How does RIC fit in our overall ministry here at ELC?
- 3) How do we live as our RIC Commitment/Mission in the community?
- 4) How do we ensure all are welcome at ELC and how do we show it?

**HYMNALS** Since we no longer use the green and blue hymnals, you are welcome to take them. They will be on our library shelves until March. At that time, we will save several and dispose of the rest. So, take as many as you want!



## **WINTER CANCELLATION POLICY**

**If the Mount Horeb School District has cancelled school, all church activities are cancelled.**

*Please pick up your contribution envelopes in the Narthex*

GENERAL FUND AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$ 7,358
GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR LAST WEEK	\$ 2,842

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

SATURDAY	5 PM	15
SUNDAY	9 AM	92

**WEEKLY EMAIL SIGN UP** -Do you receive our weekly church updates and digital newsletters? At ELC of Mt Horeb, we are able to share important information to everyone quickly by email. If you aren't receiving our emails, we encourage you to sign up through our website. Go to [elcmthoreb.org](http://elcmthoreb.org) and click on the Email Signup image on the top right, add your name, email and phone number, then SUBMIT. We want to include everyone.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE		
	<i>This Week Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> &amp; Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday &amp; Sunday</i>	<i>Next Week Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday &amp; Sunday</i>
ACOLYTES	<b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> Parker Woolard Willie Wyse	<b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> Jackson Corrigan Evelyn Eggers
COMM ASSIST	<b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> Dianne Bartz Linda Wahlgren <b>Available</b>	<b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> <b>No Communion</b>
READERS	<b>Saturday 5pm worship</b> Ann Baumgartner <b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> Kim Kelliher	<b>Saturday 5pm worship</b> Paul Heinecke <b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> Diane Bartz
USHERS	<b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> Betsy Baguhn Jody Morey	<b>Sunday 9 am worship</b> John Rosenbaum Matt Anderson
NURSERY	Open but <b>Not Staffed</b> -Located across from the library.	
ALTAR GUILD	<b>January</b> -Cathie Field, Sara Hellenbrand, Laura Miller, Sharon Schiebelbein & Amy Kellesvig <b>February</b> -Deb Dangerfield, Shannon Hadac, Judy Steinhauer, Joan Stensby & Jessica Powell	
COUNC DUTIES	<b>January</b> -Ann Baumgartner <b>February</b> -Kathy O'Donnell	