
ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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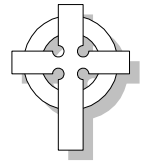
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**Opportunities for Worship and Service at
Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church**

S-	8:00 SERVICE-C (Hymnic Setting)		F-	6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Class	Rm. 228
	9:30 Bible Classes & Sunday School			OFFICES CLOSED	
	10:45 SERVICE (Service of Prayer & Preaching)			5:00 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE	
	6:30 CIA	YC		11:00 CANDLELIGHT SERVICE	
M-	4:00 7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation	Rm. 252	S-	10:00 CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE-C	
T-	9:15 Bible Class	BAAC			
	6:00 Technology Meeting	Rm. 228			
	6:30 Living in the Light	BAAC			
W-	10:00 Women's Bible Study	CL			
	1:00 Sr. Card Players	BAAC			
	6:30 CAROLFEST				
	7:30 Exultate Singers	MC			
Th-	9:00 Bread & Fish Folding & Packing	FH			
	6:00 Exultate Ringers	BR			

Location Symbols:

BAAC – Bartelt Adult Activities Center
FH – Fellowship Hall CLC – Christian Life Center
CL – Church Lounge CN – Church Nave
FL – Friendship Library MC – Music Center
WFH – West Fellowship Hall YC – Youth Center
BR – Bell Room

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS: The offices will be closed on Dec. 24 (Fri), Dec. 27 (Mon), & Dec. 31 (Fri).

HOSPITALIZED: Muriel Ehlers (The Lutheran Home).

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: 326 attended weekend worship, and 517 attended the Children-led Christmas service. *"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'"*

GROWING IN CHRIST SUNDAY SCHOOL: The birth of Jesus is this week's Sunday School lesson. A Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord! As a family, read Luke 2:1–20 together and discuss the details of Christ's birth. Talk about how our sin causes us to fear God like the shepherds did. Focus on the fact that God's Son, Jesus, takes away our fears and offers us true peace, rescuing us from sin and death.

Parents, please mark your calendars! There will be no Sunday School classes on 12/26 (Christmas weekend). Adult classes do meet, however. The Sunday School wishes you and your families a Blessed Christmas in the Joy of our Saviors birth. Sunday School classes resume on January 2. Join us for a new year of Growing in Christ.

ANGEL TREE: EGL members continue to have the opportunity to help those less fortunate than we. Pick an envelope off the Angel Tree in the lower lobby, fill out the form, enclose your check or cash, and return either to the Scrip table or to the red mailbox. \$25 Pick N Save cards will be purchased and distributed to needy families within EGL and within our sister congregations in the central city of Milwaukee.

JUST A REMINDER: The 2011 offering envelopes are in the upper hallway right outside the Friendship Library. Please stop by and pick yours up.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY: Join us for a Christmas Party in the Youth Center on Sunday 12/19, 6:30-8:30 pm. Bring a 'grab bag' gift of up to \$5.00 value. Food will be provided. Christmas cookies or snacks to share are always welcome. Invite a friend. Any questions? Contact Karen Clark (kaclark96@yahoo.com or 262-366-5920).

SCRIP: This weekend is the last chance to order Scrip cards for Christmas. The Scrip table is open on Sunday but will be closed on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.

LWML MEETING: Plan to attend the LWML meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011, at 10 a.m. in the Bartelt Adult Activities Center. The Bible study, "Simply Jesus," is found on page 17 of the winter issue of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*. A DVD of the SWD LWML Convention, showing and explaining the Mission Grants for this biennium, will be shown.

MLHS GUILD CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: The MLHS Ladies Guild holds its Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 21, at 12:15 p.m. in the MLHS library. Entertainment will be provided by the MLHS Flute Choir and the MLHS Jazz Band. Tickets (\$5) for the luncheon can be purchased from Barbara Kurth (262-252-4573).

ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL: The SOAR (Sport Outreach and Recreation) ministry at Brookfield Lutheran church sponsors a COED volleyball league on Tuesday nights, Jan. 11-Mar. 8, with games times at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Free babysitting will be provided for all players. League fee is \$30 per team. If you do not have a team, they can find one for you. Please contact Dawn (414-405-6653 or dawnschaefer10@hotmail.com) no later than Dec. 21.

CIA – COOKIE MIX JARS FOR SALE: EGL youth are selling cookie and brownie mix jars (\$10.00/jar). Look for us in the lower lobby between services while our supply lasts. We have the classics: Chocolate Chip, Christmas M&M's, Oatmeal, and Brownies. Money raised will go towards our Higher Things conference next summer.

2011 COMMITMENT/TIPIS FORMS: Please complete your forms (extra copies available) and place in the large box in the back of the nave. Each EGL communicant member is requested to complete and submit each form.

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA: A professional recording of our December 2008 organ dedication service and concert is available. It has music of the Christmas season and would make an excellent gift for those who “have everything.” Get your supply of this great “stocking stuffer” from the church office and the bookstore for a \$10 donation.

MLHS 2011 DINNER THEATER: Enjoy an afternoon or evening of comedy entertainment at one of the MLHS presentations of Moliere's final satirical masterpiece, *The Imaginary Invalid*. The dinners/shows are January 28 & 29 at 5:30/7:00 pm and January 30 at 1:00/2:00 pm. For tickets or further information, call 414-461-6000 ext.261 or visit the Activity section of the MLHS website: www.mylhs.org.

Financial Update—December 12, 2010

Goals and Gifts

We thank and praise our Lord for His many blessings and pray for faithfulness from each steward for His gifts.

Offerings received thru December 10	\$425,224
Offerings anticipated thru December 10	\$490,440

“I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone...” [1Timothy 2:1]

PLEASE PRAY FOR and remember these members of Elm Grove Lutheran who are confined to bed or to their homes. They would surely also appreciate a visit from friends. Addresses and telephone numbers are in the church directory.

Florence Fielding	Marge Polzin
Gwendolyn Mueller	Don Ploetz

Also remember those serving in the US Armed Forces:

Nathan Jump – WI State HQ
Kevin Zavadil – Afghanistan
Joshua Tesch – Stateside

Christmas-Epiphany Services Schedule

Carolfest - Wednesday, December 22, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, December 24, 2010 – Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. Service of Lessons & Carols

11:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

Saturday, December 25, 2010 – Christmas Day

10:00 a.m. Service with Holy Communion

[No service on Saturday evening 12/25]

Sunday, December 26, 8:00 a.m. (Service of Prayer & Preaching),
& 10:45 a.m.-C (Service of Prayer & Preaching)

“The Flight to Egypt” [Matthew 2:13-15]—Pastor Skovgaard, Preacher

Friday, December 31, 2010 – New Year's Eve

6:30 p.m. Service with Holy Communion

Saturday, January 1 (5:30 p.m.) & Sunday, January 2 (8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.)

Thursday, January 6, 2011 – Epiphany

6:30 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols

