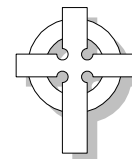

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

S-	8:00 SERVICE (Serv. of Prayer & Preaching)		7:30 Anniversary Choir	MC
	9:15 Anniversary Choir	MC	7:30 Key to Life	Rm. 228
	10:15 SERVICE-C (LSB DS4)		F- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study	Rm. 228
	6:30 CIA	YC	S- 5:00 Chinese Fellowship	CLC/GYM
M-	10:00 Arts & Crafts	WFH		
T-				
W-	10:00 Quilting and Sewing Group	WFH		
	1:00 Sr. Card Players	BAAC		
	5:30 T-ball League			
Th-	9:00 B&F Folding and Packing	FH		
	9:30 Library Circle	FL		
	6:30 SERVICE-C (LSB DS1)			

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

HOSPITALIZED: Sue Knutson (Waukesha Memorial); Lois Roca (St. Luke's).

IN THE LORD'S HOUSE: Attendance at the worship services last week was 321. *"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'"*

EGL CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICES ARE CLOSED on Friday, July 3, 2009, in observance of Independence Day. No personnel will be available to answer phones or transact business. Please contact the "on-duty pastor" (414-915-3040) for emergency pastoral care.

PRINCIPAL ANGELL RECEIVES CALL: Immanuel Lutheran Church, Albuquerque, NM, has extended a call to Mark Angell to serve as principal for their school. Immanuel Lutheran School began in 1924, has an enrollment (Pre-K thru 8th Grade) of approximately 200 students, and is one of only two LCMS elementary schools in the city of Albuquerque. Please remember Mr. Angell and his family, and provide him your input, as he considers his place of service in Christ's Church.

ANNIVERSARY CHOIR: EGL celebrates the 50th anniversary of Pastor Egloff's ordination into the Office of the Ministry in the worship services on Sunday, July 12. July 22 is also the 25th ordination anniversary of the Rev. Dan McMiller, member of EGL and missions executive for the South Wisconsin District. Anyone interested in singing in an "anniversary choir" on July 12 is encouraged to contact Karla Bessert (kbessert@egl.org or 262-797-2970). Rehearsals will take place on Sunday, June 28, between services and on Thursday, July 2 and 9, following the 6:30 p.m. church service.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: A wonderful week was enjoyed by all who attended our 2009 VBS. The children learned Bible stories, sang songs, enjoyed delicious snacks, and played games. We thank and praise our Lord for all who helped with our VBS.

SUMMER BUILDING CLEANING: Please use caution throughout the next couple of months while a variety of areas are "closed off" due to summer cleaning and floor waxing. Your help is desired in NOT crossing into any blocked off area.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP will meet on Thursday, July 16, 9:30 a.m., in the Bartelt Center. The book is *"The Story of Edgar Sawtelle"* by David Wroblewski. Questions? Call Anne Tuttrup (262-691-9642).

CHURCH FESTIVAL: Please mark your family calendar for Saturday, July 11, as EGL holds a Church Festival, 4-10 p.m. Food, games, activities, and fellowship will be enjoyed by all. Check out www.egl.org for more info. Invite your family and friends.

CIA EGL's high school youth group, Christians in Action (CIA), meets each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Center. Don't forget, and bring a friend!

CARD MINISTRY GROUP: A number of ladies from our EGL family have been meeting to create beautiful cards (with various themes). They would love to have you join them. The group meets once a month. The next gathering takes place on July 22, 6-9 p.m., at the home of the leader (Butler area). The cost is \$15 and includes ALL materials (even water and chocolate!). Each woman makes eight greeting cards per night (two each of four designs), with the intention of donating half of the cards to our card ministry here at EGL. We need to fill a minimum of five spots at each gathering; therefore, a reservation is necessary. Please call the church office ASAP and reserve your spot today, or stop by the office to see some of the creations. Questions? Call Linda Haut (home: 262-782-7356 or church office: 262-797-2970) or Carole Braun (262-781-1494).

LUTHERAN WITNESS: LAST CALL! Monday, June 29, will be the absolute deadline for anyone wishing to renew or subscribe to the *Lutheran Witness*. Please send a check for \$15 (made out to EGLC) to the office no later than June 29 if you wish to receive the magazine.

NO SCRIP SALES on Sunday, July 5. Sales will resume again on July 12.

THE RADIO VOICE OF THE LUTHERAN FAITH FOR THE 21ST CENTURY... Do any of these topics interest you: Judgment Day, Lutheranism & The Civil War, The Theology of the Cross, The Birth of John the Baptist, Children & Worshi? Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio. You can listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

4 in 4: This is the last weekend to help EGL end the fiscal year in the black. Each giving unit of EGL has been asked to give an additional, over-and-above gift totaling \$400 or more during the last months of the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2009. Special "4 in 4" envelopes are available on the tract rack, or you can use the extra envelopes in your offering envelope set and write "4 in 4" on the front. Will you commit to an additional "4 in 4" - \$400 in this fiscal year?

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP: Take time to study and learn the texts and hymns for next Sunday. Texts: Psalm 123, Ezekiel 2:1-5, 2 Corinthians 12:1-10, and Mark 6:1-13. Next week's hymns: 728, 718, (763 & 907), and 883. A daily devotional reading schedule is in the worship service folder.

2010 LUTHERLAND TOUR & OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY: Scheduled for August 13-28, 2010, this study tour includes major Luther sites in eastern Germany and the once-every-decade Passion Play in Oberammergau, Bavaria. Limited brochures are available on the tract rack and in the church office. Take one if you're seriously interested. All-inclusive cost is \$4,250 per person (with a \$950 HK III package of Category 1 tickets & accommodations in Oberammergau for the Passion Play). A ground-only fare is also available. Dare to compare. Information is also available on the EGL Web site: www.egl.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THRIFT STORE: Are you interested in helping? **The Economy Center**, a thrift store located at 7814 West Burleigh Street, offers clothing, household items, books, kitchen ware, etc., at a reasonable price to the community. (If it isn't in good shape, it's not for sale.) The store is operated by volunteers and is open Tuesdays through Saturdays each week. Jobs include sorting items, pricing items, putting them out for sale, running the cash register, and many more. *If you would like to find out more, please call The Economy Center (414-442-2272).* (The revenue from **The Economy Center** supports Lutheran Counseling and Family Services and Bethesda Lutheran Home.)

SHORT-TERM SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS: On July 12, in the church nave, a special four-Sunday, intergenerational study begins. It is entitled *Will I See My Dog in Heaven?* What do you think: Will we see our dogs and cats in heaven? Does God's plan for eternity include the created nonhuman world? This special four-week discussion will occur in the church nave (at 9:15-9:45 a.m., when there's no Communion at 8 a.m.; at 9:30-10:00 a.m., when there is Communion at 8 a.m.). This study is intended for all ages. A paperback book (written by Franciscan Fr. Jack Wintz) will be available for purchase at \$10 a copy. Parents/grandparents can read through the ten chapters with children, and all can come to participate in what will inevitably be a highly informative and provocative discussion. This special opportunity ends on Sunday, August 2. Again, the study begins on Sunday, July 12.

FAITH, POLITICS, & THE ENVIRONMENT: Former Wisconsin Congressman Mark Neumann will visit Elm Grove Lutheran on Thursday, July 16, to lead a Bible study on the ways his faith shapes his politics. Mr. Neumann is a lifelong WELS Lutheran who gives Bible studies on the subject at his own church and others. He now owns Neumann Developments, a Wisconsin homebuilder, which builds energy-efficient "green" homes (his company was recently featured in a front-page *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* story). This will be a fascinating discussion about the relationship between faith and politics, guided by Mark Neumann's history as a US Congressman, his race for the US Senate, and his views on Christian faith and the environment. The discussion will occur immediately after the evening service on Thursday, July 16, beginning at approximately 7:45 p.m. and lasting approximately one hour. Location is the church nave.

ANNUAL EGL "CHURCH IN THE GLEN": The annual EGL outdoor worship service will occur on Sunday, August 23, at 10:15 a.m. Location is the grassy area behind the former parsonage (now the Bartelt Adult Activities Center). A low-key picnic will immediately follow. However, there will be no games or activities following the picnic. Don't forget the EGL Church Festival on Saturday, July 11 (4-10 p.m.)!

EGL AFTER HOURS: Great food and music (Afro-Cuban/Latin jazz) were enjoyed by the EGL group on Friday evening. You have one last chance to join the fun for a *Starry Night* concert at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center on Friday, July 17. The Mare Edstrom Blues Band will perform. This is a family friendly venue, and you are encouraged to invite friends. A picnic supper will be served, along with beverages. A free will offering will be accepted. Meet at 6 p.m. - look for your EGL friends on the lawn. RSVP to Luanne Schaefer (262-784-3106) or call the church office (262-797-2970).

Goals and Gifts	
In an effort to keep our members better informed, the following statistics are provided that give a brief overview of our financial commitments and balances. We thank and praise our Lord for His many blessings and pray for faithfulness from each steward for His gifts.	
Regular Offerings received thru June 21	\$916,535
"4 in 4" Offerings received thru June 21	\$47,277
Thrivent <i>Giving Plus</i> Gifts received thru June 21	\$124,602
Total received thru June 21	<u>\$1,102,532</u>
Regular Offerings anticipated thru June 21	\$1,103,191
Thrivent <i>Giving Plus</i> anticipated thru June 21	\$68,450
Total anticipated thru June 21	<u>\$1,171,641</u>

"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.

Eleanor Kosmatka	Keith Williams
Harry Kelley	Elmer & Marion Schleif

Also remember those serving in the US Armed Forces:

Tom Erdmann – Iraq
Kevin Zavadiil – Hawaii
Joshua Tesch – South Carolina
Jeff Netzel – Redeployed Stateside

WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE for the coming week:
 Thursday, July 2, 2009 – 6:30 p.m.-C (*LSB DS1*),
 Sunday, July 5, 2009 – 8:00 a.m.-C (*LSB DS1*), & 10:15 a.m. (Matins)
"The Grace of God is Enough" (2 Corinthians 12:1-10)
 Pastor Skovgaard, Preacher

