

ELM GROVE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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A warm welcome to our guests! Regardless of whether being in church is new to you or just being at Elm Grove Lutheran is new to you, you enter not as a stranger but as a guest of God. This is His house, and He is your heavenly Father. He created you and sent His Son to live, die, and rise again for you. Therefore, come into His presence expecting to hear words of free and full forgiveness. Come, knowing that you are more than conquerors through Him who loved you. And, please come again. If you have no church home and are looking for one, please speak with one of the pastors. They are eager to help.

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, October 20, 2018 – 5:30 p.m. & Sunday, October 21, 2018 – 8:00 a.m.

Preparatory Prayer: Heavenly Father, how true it is that our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You. The sinful flesh rages against the new man within us. In the midst of so much striving and chaos in this world, enable us to keep our eyes fixed on Your Son, Jesus Christ, who won for us the gift of forgiveness and eternal life. In His name we pray. Amen.

Divine Service - Setting 2

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

O Day Full of Rest and Gladness – Donald Rotermund

Hymn of Invocation

A Day Full of Rest and Gladness – LSB 906

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Confession and Absolution

LSB p. 167

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

Psalm 34:1-4, 17 (Antiphon Psalm 34:18)

P: The LORD is near to the broken-hearted

C: and saves the crushed in spirit.

P: I will bless the LORD at all times;

C: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

C: let the humble hear and be glad.

P: Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

C: and let us exalt his name together!

P: I sought the LORD, and he answered me

C: and delivered me from all my fears.

P: When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears
C: and delivers them out of all their troubles.
ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
P: The LORD is near to the broken-hearted
C: and saves the crushed in spirit.

Kyrie LSB pp.168-169
Hymn of Praise *This is the feast - LSB pp. 171-172*
Salutation and Collect of the Day LSB p. 172

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First Reading Vanity...vanity Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 (p. 555)
Gradual (5:30) Psalm 91:11; 103:1

P: He will command his angels concerning you
C: to guard you in all your ways.
P: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
C: and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Gradual (8:00) – *sung by the choir*

Epistle Jesus, the great high priest Hebrews 4:1-13 (14-16) (p. 1002)
Alleluia & Verse (5:30) LSB p. 173

Verse (8:00) – sung by the choir *These Things Are Written* – Kevin Bueltmann

Holy Gospel How to enter the kingdom Mark 10:23-31 (p. 846)

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Hymn of the Day *I'm But a Stranger Here* – LSB 748
Sermon *"What It Means To Enter God's Rest"*
Hebrews 4:1-13

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Apostles' Creed LSB p. 175

Prayer of the Church

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The Offering *I'm But a Stranger Here* – John A. Behnke
Those who are not communing may place their cards in the offering plate.

- stand -

Offertory *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* – LSB 955

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

EGLC Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated here in the glad confidence that those who commune actually eat and drink the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with, and under the bread and the wine. Only those communicants who believe this and who repent of their sins receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Those who do not believe this or who do not repent of their sins will commune to their harm. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the specific teachings of the faith which is confessed in this congregation, those who are not in agreement with this understanding of the Lord's Supper, or who belong to a religious community that is not in Altar & Pulpit Fellowship with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are requested to consult with the presiding minister before communing.

The Preface – Agnus Dei

LSB pp. 177-180

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Distribution

Hymns during Communion

Have No Fear, Little Flock – LSB 735
Entrust Your Days and Burdens – LSB 754

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Post-Communion Canticle

Nunc dimittis – LSB p. 182

Post-Communion Collect

LSB p.183

Benediction

LSB p. 183

Closing Hymn

(5:30) Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow – LSB 880
(8:00) O Blessed, Holy Trinity – LSB 876

Postlude

O Day of Rest and Gladness – Albert L. Travis

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ALTAR PARAMENTS: The green paraments of the Pentecost season prompt us to remember that our life in Christ is one of growth, as branches connected to the Vine produce good fruit.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Placed to the glory of God by the Friendship Library Committee.

Participants

Presiding Minister

Pastor Skovgaard

Assisting Minister (8:00)

Pastor Peters

Organist

Richard C. Ewert

Choir Director (8:00)

Karla Bessert

Flute (8:00)

Pam Ganswindt

Piano (8:00)

Madeline Hedtke

Choirs (8:00)

EGLS Cherub Choir and PK3-Kindergarten Choir

Elder

Paul Haut

Chancel Assistant

(5:30) Mark Ewert; (8:00) David Busse

Usher team on duty

(5:30) Dan Berry, Dick Knutson, Brandon, Scepanski, Danielle Scepanski
Julianne Skovgaard, Zachary Skovgaard, Justin Speck, Nathan Van Schaick,
Henry Van Schaick, Ann Wilcox, Christine Wilcox, Bruce Wilcox

(5:30) Grace Dennis, William Dennis, Matt Diven, Tim Diven, Amalia Seeger,
Ben Seeger, Eric Seeger, Ben Thompson, Rick Wegner, Ryan Wegner, Kelsey Wegner,
Maddie Wilinski, Jeff Wilinski, Luke Wilinski

Altar Guild

(5:30) Sharon Boudro, Jeanne Clark; (8:00) Diane Olson, Arlene Malnar

About the Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost—Proper 24

Theme: Life Turned Upside Down

+ *highlighting the Scriptures for the week* +

Vanity is a common theme in the book of Ecclesiastes. This week both “wealth” and “honor” are defined as “vanity” by the writer. (Ecclesiastes) It is not that wealth and honor are intrinsically evil; it is just that sinful human nature gives them priority over everything else. The writer to the Hebrews insists that true rest will not be found in this world. (Hebrews) Only in Jesus, the great high priest, can one find true Sabbath rest. Jesus Himself emphasized this very thing when He demonstrated how only God can make it possible for any person, wealthy or poor, to enter the kingdom of God. (Mark) He reverses the status of things, throwing the priorities of the world upside down by giving life through death.

WEEKLY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

Use the schedule below in your personal devotion. The first three readings are the lessons read today; the last three will be read next Sunday. The Wednesday reading is the psalmody for the week. Each day you may want to pray that psalm or the prayer printed in our service folder today, followed by the suggested reading and your personal requests and thanksgivings to our heavenly Father.

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| Sunday | Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 Why are “wealth” and “honor” defined as “vanity” by the writer? How is this so? Is it possible to have wealth and possessions and yet be blessed by the LORD? How is this so? What does this mean for us today? |
| Monday | Hebrews 4:1-13 (14-16) What (or who) is “rest” for the faithful? How does one enter it? In what respect(s) is Jesus different from any other high priest? What does this mean for us? |
| Tuesday | Mark 10:23-31 According to Jesus, how difficult is it for the wealthy to enter the kingdom? Is it impossible? If not, how then is it possible? What does this mean for us today? |
| Wednesday | Psalms 119:9-16 According to the psalmist, how does a young man keep his way pure? How, specifically, is this done? Who does the teaching? Who does the learning? What does this mean? |
| Thursday | Revelation 14:6-7 What is the mission of the first angel? What is the content of the angel’s message? How is this done? What does this mean (in the context of Reformation Day)? |
| Friday | Romans 3:19-28 What is the end purpose and function of the law of God? How does genuine righteousness come from God? How does He justify sinners? How does He cleanse them from sin? Why is boasting before God inappropriate? How alone, then, is a man justified? What does this mean? |
| Saturday | John 8:31-36 What is the genuine identifying mark of a disciple? Who is the truth (and the Way, and the Life)? What do you get when you trust (“know”) Him? What kind of freedom does Jesus bring? How is this done? What does this mean? |