



# Our Faith in Focus: 2020 VISION Sundays and Beyond

November 2020

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church  
ELCA

## ***From the Pastor's Desk - Pastor Brenda Lovick***

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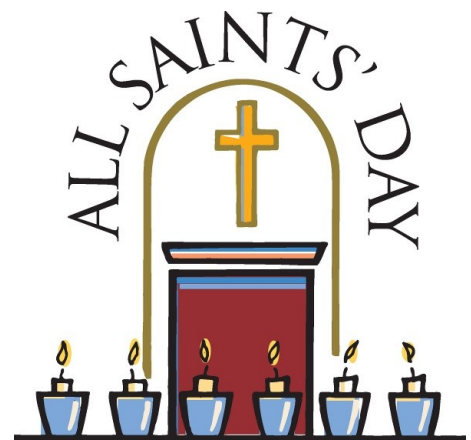
Dear Friends at EKLC,

We are in the thick of this pandemic in our community right now. We have friends very close to us and people in our EKLC family who are sick with covid-19. I won't name who they are, but I will ask you to pray for anyone struggling with covid. God knows who they are.

God will hear our prayers.

EKLC Council met virtually on October 19, and we decided that we will at minimum stay virtual only for worship services until the Cambridge School District begins in person school again. When we learn that CSD is beginning in person, we will have an immediate council meeting (again, virtually) to make a decision on how to move forward. Remember that we cannot make decisions to appease everyone - we need to make decisions from a bit of a bigger picture than any one situation or event, using the information we have, to make decisions for the safety and health of all. If you don't agree with it, you may not have all of the information that we have. Sometimes that information is confidential, so you can't know it. I simply ask you to trust that we are doing the best that we can given these really hard circumstances. We are completely learning as we go through this.

I am beginning to hear that people are complaining to others about how our congregation is doing things. It's impossible to respond to "so and so said this, and you need to call them" or "people are upset or saying this about what we are doing." I invite you to have direct conversations about your concerns with me or our council members. Please do not talk about it with others in our community to try to make a change. This is unhealthy communication, and we cannot respond to "he



***November 1, 2020***

## ***All Saints Sunday***

On this day we remember those who have completed their baptismal journey with bell ringing and lighted candles.

**If you desire to remember a loved one who has died this past year please contact the church office before Wednesday, October 28th.**

All Saints Sunday celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. With thanksgiving we remember all the faithful departed, especially those most dear to us who have died. The day's readings are filled with rich images of the eternal life promised to all the saints. The holy meal is a foretaste of that great and promised feast where death or pain will be no more. Even in the midst of loss and grief God wipes away the tears from our eyes and makes all things new.

said, she said" conversations. If anyone tells you something that you feel like you need to tell me or a council member, I encourage you to say directly to them, "You need to talk to Pastor Brenda (or the appropriate person) about this."

With that said, we are definitely having virtual only worship on November 1. This is traditionally a very important and meaningful worship service as we celebrate All Saints' Sunday and remember that we are connected to the entire communion of saints - that we are indeed God's saints on earth and that we are connected to the saints who have gone before us.

On November 1, we will light candles and ring bells for those who have gone before us. We will definitely name people who have died in our congregation in the last year. If you have someone outside of our congregation or someone you'd like named who has died before the last year, I am glad to include them. Please call the church office by Thursday at 2:00 pm so we can name them in the worship service. For your information, I plan to have a couple of unnamed candles to light for people who are not named in the prayers but people watching can name. I invite you to have a candle in your home ready to light, so we can be connected in this way. We will have communion and drive thru communion on November 1.

November also brings our nation's election season to an end. I want to encourage you to remember that no matter what differences you have with others, we are all in this together. Here's a Bible verse to reflect on through this month:

1 John 4:18-20: *There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear, because fear expects punishment. The person who is afraid has not been made perfect in love. We love because God first loved us. Those who say, "I love God" and hate their brothers or sisters are liars. After all, those who don't love their brothers or sisters whom they have seen can hardly love God whom they have not seen! This commandment we have from him: Those who claim to love God ought to love their brother and sister also.*

We need each other. We need to support one another. This is so important now and always, but when we are needing to be physically apart, we need to remember that we are still together in Christ.

Thank you for your support and prayers. Remember that our congregation and our lives together in Christ are far bigger than any one of us. God bless you, and God's peace be with you always.

In Christ

Pastor Brenda Lovick

## Presidents Message:

I can't believe it is November already. Despite all the challenges 2020 has presented, it does seem to have gone by fast. We are now at the holidays time of year, starting with Thanksgiving. Like many probably, our family has a Thanksgiving tradition where we go around the table and each person says one thing that they're thankful for. Some of the usual's are: thankful for family, for our health, for our country and its freedoms, for good friends, for food, shelter, and opportunities we are given. I love this tradition ( usually I cry). There is something special and powerful about group gratitude – everyone stops, listens, and shares in the thankfulness of each other. Some might think there is not anything to be grateful for in 2020, we missed out on so much. But, It is a great time to pause, and reflect on all the gifts we have been blessed with this year.

Church council has been very busy trying to get creative and plan for the coming holiday season. We want to find many ways to keep the congregation engaged with each other – even though we may all be apart during this special time of year. Please find ways to stay in contact with one another and show care for each other. If we reach out to participate in various safe activities, we hope you will join in on some of things we are planning for EKLC.

We also have an offering goal in NOV and DEC of \$50,000 . Currently we are behind in giving from last year by about \$30,000. The months of November and December are typically big offering months (\$48,000 total last year for NOV/DEC) due to the holidays. With the uncertainty currently of not knowing when we feel it will be safe to return to in person worship – we wanted to set a goal for giving to close out the year. Please consider EKLC in any giving you can in the coming months.

I am thankful for my church family – I miss seeing you all. Stay Healthy!

Chris Frodel

**East Koshkonong Lutheran Church**  
**Help Finish 2020 & Fund Our Mission**  
**Our Goal: \$50,000**



November Council Meeting:  
November 16, 2020  
6:00pm

### **2020 COUNCIL**

**PRESIDENT:** Chris Frodel

**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Kristen Lien

**SECRETARY:** Jason Schlieckau

**TREASURER:** Tom Locchetta

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Janelle Dunlavy

Sonja Jacobson

Hans Lein

*If you need to speak to a council member please call the church office to leave a message and they will return your call.  
Thank You.*

### **ATTENTION EKLC COMMITTEES**

Any budget requests/changes for the EKLC 2021 Budget need to be submitted to the church office by **NOVEMBER 10, 2020**. Thank you,  
-EKLC Church Council

### ***Treasurer's Report***

September 2020 Income \$13,059.73  
September 2020 Expense \$21,515.38  
September 2019 Income \$17,016.02  
September 2019 Expense \$18,127.31

YTD 2020 Income \$168,012.71  
YTD 2020 Expense \$192,107.04  
YTD 2019 Income \$223,903.99  
YTD 2019 Expense \$244,872.09



You may make a secure offering/donation to EKLC by following the directions below.

All donations are secured through Vanco.

Thank you for your generous offering in this way!

#### **Online giving directions:**

With all of these options, you may set up recurring donations or make a one-time donation.

Option 1: Go to [www.eastkoshkonong.org](http://www.eastkoshkonong.org) and click on Donate. Create a profile through this secure website, if you haven't already, and complete the form on that website.

Option 2: Scan this QR code with your smartphone. Create a profile through this secure website, if you haven't already, and complete the form on that website.



Option 3: Download the GivePlus app on your smartphone for either Android or iOS. If needed, create an account with your email address. Sign into your account and search for "East Koshkonong Lutheran Church." Select the plus "+" sign and complete the form.

*If you don't have online access for this giving option, you are welcome to fill out a form from the church office:*

*608-423-3017 or*

*[eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com)*

**OFFERINGS ARE ALSO ALWAYS APPRECIATED**

**BY MAILING TO:**

**EAST KOSHKONONG LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**454 EAST CHURCH ROAD**

**CAMBRIDGE, WI 53523**

# Let's Walk to Bethlehem!

At EKLC our mission statement includes Gathering. During this time of COVID it is hard to be together as a congregation. Gather by joining the EKLC World Walking Group on a virtual Walk to Bethlehem from now until Christmas.

Each individual who joins the group will record their real world steps walking, miles biking, meters rowing, etc. All of these steps, pedals, and strokes will be used to virtually traverse the 7400 miles from here to Bethlehem.

Let's keep healthy this fall and do something together even when we are apart!

You do not have to have a computer to participate. Follow the appropriate steps below to join us.

How to Participate:

## High Techy Folks

1. Search and download **World Walking** from your app store (either iphone or android).
2. Search for the EKLC Group.
3. Create an account and connect to the group.
4. Add the Walk to Bethlehem walk to your account by clicking on the walk from within the group and saying **Join Now**.
5. Connect your account to your fitness device. If you are doing this from your phone, you will get a prompt..
6. **Move!** Your steps will sync to the app. You will need to move your banked steps to the walk in order for them to count toward our destination.
  - a. If you bike or row you may need to manually add those miles as your fitness tracker may not count them.

## Low Techy Folks

1. Go to <https://worldwalking.org/>.
2. Click on Groups.
3. **Search** for EKLC in the search field and select the group by clicking on it.
4. **Join this group** by clicking on the button of the same name.
  - a. You will need to Register with your name and email.
5. Once in the group add the Walk to Bethlehem by selecting the EKLC group in your Dashboard, clicking on the Walk to Bethlehem, and choosing **Join Now**.
6. **Move!** This can be walking, biking, or marching in place while watching TV.
7. Track your steps or miles in the app. From your Dashboard use **Add Steps** to log the miles/you've moved. (note that you can log in either mode steps or miles....or kilometers if you want to be Canadian)
8. Choose **Spend Steps** to apply those steps to our walk. You can do this each time you log or at some other interval. Note, your steps will not be logged to our walk until you "Spend" them.

## No Techy Folks

1. **Move!** This can be walking, biking, or marching in place while watching TV.
2. Track your steps or miles on a piece of paper.
3. Call the church office once a week with your weekly counts. Julie will enter them manually in our walk. You can leave a message if the office is closed.
  - a. Alternatively, you could get a family member to create an account for you (see Low Techy Folks) and track your individual progress toward our group goal.







The Cambridge Area Clergy are planning an Ecumenical Virtual Worship Service for Thanksgiving. Date and Time to be Determined. Watch your weekly messages and email for updates.



FIRST SUNDAY OF  
**ADVENT**

**The First Sunday  
of Advent is  
November 29th**



***Order your Poinsettia for the  
Christmas season!***

*We are placing our orders through  
the Cambridge Music Boosters. The  
flowers will be red and in a large 8"  
pot. The cost is \$17 each, which needs  
to be paid for when ordering.*

*If you would like to order one please  
fill out the form below and return it  
to the church office by*

**Sunday, December 6, 2020.**

*Checks payable to EKLC.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

How Many: \_\_\_\_\_

*In (please circle) Memory/Honor of*

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**August 17, 2020**

### **EKLC Council Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM. Those in attendance were Chris Frodel, Pastor Brenda, Tom Locchetta, Kristen Lien, Sonja Jacobson and Jason Schlieckau.

Opened with devotions and a prayer by Pastor Brenda. The following changes to the meeting agenda were made: Discussing replacement for the decorating committee and discussing prepaying the Landmark fuel bill.

Financial updates including Memorials, Profit Loss statement, and Money Market account reports were presented by Judy Lund. Todd Bergholz memorial designated for library and Judy Jacobson memorial to go to undesignated memorials. Income down for July and expenses remained relatively the same. This results in a larger net loss. Income compared to this time last year, is up. Judy discussed considering revising Quick Books to show more detail on Money Market. It was decided to keep report consistence for at least another year, and make no changes.

Money Market account discussed. Are there more opportunities where we should be using the Money Market? Discussed employee use of pink cards that are used to request funds from Money Market. Was deemed helpful to print the correct use accounts on back of these forms/cards for users to circle.

Donations up, likely due to having in person services and members catching up from past, missed Sundays.

Motion to approve financial reports made by Kristen, seconded by Tom, approved and passed.

Minutes from July meeting, submitted by Jason Schlieckau, reviewed. Motion made by Kristen and seconded by Sonja. Minutes approved.

The following submitted reports were also reviewed: Education Committee and Pastor's report.

Motion to approve reports made by Kristen and seconded by Jason, approved and passed.

#### **Old Business**

Prayground:

Sunday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> pews to be removed. Discussed what to do with pews. Storing pews? Pastor to bless the Prayground on Rally Sunday.

Return to Sunday School topic addressed. Do we need in person Sunday School? If CHS not in session then no Sunday School in person. Half virtual half in person-plan to be forthcoming from Debbie.

New church logo discussed. The current logo is simple yet very effective. Council decided to keep current logo, and instead, clean up the graphic. Tom to look into this.

#### COVID Discussion

Decision made to make gloves mandatory for ushers. Encourage hand sanitizer for members.

**September 21, 2020**

### **EKLC Council Meeting Minutes**

Present: Chris Frodel, Sonja Jacobson, Kristen Lien, Pastor Brenda, Judy Lund  
Devotions –Pastor

#### **Review of August Financial Update/ Review Money Market Accounts**

Reviewed various line items. Propose the following:

Combine Kitchen and Coffee Maker lines. Use funds from Miscellaneous to offset.

Move money from Interest to offset the rest of the negative balance in Kitchen  
Use money from Undesignated Memorials to offset negative balance in Health Ministry

Talked about process for more fully utilizing designated funds where available  
Can Holly flag items that have designated funds if they are not so marked?

Then Pastor can review and direct funds if appropriate.

Should we have a maximum/minimum amount in the Youth Director line?

When it gets to the max, we stop taking money from the Investment fund until it gets to minimum. – Tabled

We need a stewardship push this fall. We are behind in giving and may not get the same end of year bump like other years.

Chris to email Stewardship about ideas

Potential video of where our money goes. First half some of the things we do in the congregation, second half static why we give and how to give message.

Sonja to work with Stewardship on a script for the second part

Chris to ask Debbie if Laura might talk about Sunday school in a video.

Tom to do production.

Chris to get a visual of 2020 to fill up. Will show the total amount we need to give in 2020 to match 2019

#### **Reports and financials were approved by a majority vote via email.**

##### **Old Business:**

Reviewed logo ideas – Continue to work on this. Have confirmation kids sketch something and see if anything pops as an idea

COVID-19 Discussion/Services Resumed

Pastor will poll folks who watch the recorded service about whether they prefer the live option or the recorded one. Pastor likes to be engaged with both groups and it is hard doing the hybrid model.

If we go back to live, we will need someone to own the tech each Sunday. Perhaps a service project for confirmation kids

New lease signed by Terlands for parsonage

Kristen reached out to a group to brainstorm ways to use investment fund. Had a hard time getting responses from members. Council discussed ideas:

Use our outdoor spaces somehow

Bake sale to get out into the community

Engaging more leaders and volunteers - Tabled

##### **New Business:**

Coordinate Fall Bake Sale if interest by congregation

Chris to ask Cambridge City Hall about requirements for doing this in town

Sonja to talk to Lee Recreation about using their parking lot/electricity in town.

Pastor Brenda to find church pamphlet that was used during the Syttende Mai parade

Potential time/date 10/17 from 10-2

Pastor will set up EKLC as an option in Amazon Smile. This allows members to donate .5% of all purchases in Amazon to the church. Will have this submitted by 9/25

Ideas for Advent and Christmas Season:

Christmas Eve services in the building seems unlikely. Could we have a short outdoor candlelight/carol service?

Can we have church members read the reading for each Sunday and release the video during the week?

Can we record a Holden evening prayer service with music to play each Wednesday night during Advent?

Sunday school will be using friendship hall for their class. We will open the door by the Sacristy for them to use so as to not disturb worship as they come to church.

Pastor is making a focus on bringing communion to homebound members this fall

##### **Upcoming Events:**

Next Meeting Date/Time: Oct 19th – 6PM

Close with Lord's Prayer

Submitted by Kristen Lien

## **EKLC COVID-19 Worship Guidelines**

When we start in person worship again, know that personal responsibility is key - any member who is feeling ill or compromised should not attend services. We caution those in the age group (65+) of higher risk to use your best judgement if you should be attending services.

We will continue to live stream services on Facebook and YouTube for those who do not yet feel comfortable attending in person. All members need to be mindful of social distancing, washing hands, and wearing masks to create a safe place to worship.

### **• Attendees:**

- ◇ Enter through Narthex doors only. All others will be locked.
- ◇ Doors will be opened by a greeter or will be propped open.
- ◇ Members must not congregate before or after services.
- ◇ Members are required to wear a mask during worship to help ensure the health and safety of the rest of the congregation.

### **• Seating:**

- ◇ Every other pew will be blocked off to ensure social distance.
- ◇ Ushers will direct members to an area to sit and will usher out by pews at the end of the service.
- ◇ Families may sit together
- ◇ Others must be 6 ft apart from other members.

### **• Worship:**

- ◇ There will be no singing during worship
- ◇ Bulletins will be distributed with all content in them and pew Bibles and hymnals will be removed. **Ushers handing out bulletins will wear gloves.**
- ◇ During Passing of the Peace you will not leave your seat nor shake hands.
- ◇ Offering will be collected in baskets in the Narthex.
- ◇ Communion will only be held during the first service of the month and will be distributed **with gloves** upon entrance to the sanctuary.

### **• Common Areas:**

- ◇ Restrooms directly below the Narthex will be open for use.
- ◇ The following common areas will be closed to members:
  - ◇ Friendship Hall
  - ◇ Nursery
  - ◇ Kitchen
  - ◇ Offices (Staff Only)
  - ◇ Education Wing

**If there is a confirmed positive COVID case from a member that has attended worship, the church will:**

- Notify those in attendance of a member testing positive for COVID via phone call
- Send an email to all members notifying them of the positive result
- That information will include:
  - ◇ Date of service
  - ◇ A reminder of next steps (see subsequent bullets)
  - ◇ No other identifying information about the member will be shared
- If you are contacted via phone:
  - ◇ Monitor your symptoms at home, and decide if you should self-quarantine for the 14 day period
- ◇ If you feel ill, see your primary care provider for a COVID test or use the [public health](#) testing options in your area.
- ◇ Notify the Property Committee and the church will be sanitized using the cleaning protocol.

## News from the church basement ladies:

I'm afraid that the news again this month is of what is not happening. In view of the fact that COVID-19 is rampant again in Wisconsin, and indeed also in Cambridge, I don't think we should have our regular monthly meeting on the first Thursday of November. There will not be a lefse sale, and the quilt raffle will happen, but not just yet. I'm sorry that we cannot get together, but we need to stay safe, and after all, most of those who meet to do these things are among the elderlies. You all should have received information and an envelope for a Thankoffering, so please return your gift to the church in thankfulness for God's gifts. We may not be enjoying life so much, but we are alive and hopefully well, and we thank God for that.

And thank you to all who have been helpful in this year of pandemic. The council is keeping us safe by not meeting in the church, our confirmands have been super helpful with the LWR shipment, (Heidi, too), and we seem to be keeping up in our giving, too. Women of the ELCA, if you would like to make a donation to the organization, that could be sent to Sue Repyak, our treasurer, or to the church office with the appropriate notation. There is also a need to contribute to the cost of shipping our Quilts and Kits, and that can be handled in the same way, labeling the money for shipping.

Since we cannot be together, I have some suggestions for study, if you have internet capability. [cafe@elca.org](mailto:cafe@elca.org) is an online magazine with articles and information for studies, in a group, or alone, and [gather@elca.org](mailto:gather@elca.org) has a video by Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, who has written the Gather studies for this fall. If you have the magazine, you may want to do the studies first and then watch the video, and if you don't have the magazine, she's still interesting, as she has a great message, coming from Israel, where she lives.

Let's hope that we can get back together soon.

God Bless you,

Communicator Carolyn



*Pictured above is the confirmation class helping the Woman of EKLC pack LWR packages for shipping.*

## College/Military Care Packages November & March

We are tentatively planning to pack College/Military packages on Wednesday, November 18, so we could use your donations! Although we would love to take our usual donations of homemade treats, we feel that this year, because of Covid, that's probably not the best idea. Instead, we would appreciate any monetary gifts instead. These will serve us well to supply these young adults with practical things for school, but it will also help to cover the rising cost of shipping. We typically send out between 25-30 packages twice a year, and it's estimated that each one costs around \$18-20 when you consider all the supplies/snacks along with the cost of postage. Thank you for your continued generosity!

**PARENTS/STUDENTS Please remember to update the church office with current college/military addresses.**



What have the youth been up to?

## Sunday School

Our Sunday School families have been working hard at home on their lessons and crafts. Please see some pictures below of some of the at-home Sunday School learning that has been going on!

We are working on specifics for a special surprise for the congregation for our Christmas program! It will be an exciting and memorable event!



## High School Coffee Hang-Outs

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 8:30-9:30 a.m.  
Cambridge Market Cafe

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 8:30-9:30 a.m.  
Cambridge Market Cafe

## Education Committee Dates

Wednesday, November 11, 2020 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 7:30 p.m.

## Confirmation

Our congregation confirmed 4 ninth graders on Sunday, October 25. Because of Covid restrictions, we held a private service for the confirmands and their families & special friends after our normal 9am worship. We are so proud to welcome our newest members to our congregation: Tyce Bettenhausen, Brayden Lund, Tiffany Stach, and Amerie Timler! Pictures from the service will be posted in next month's newsletter.

## Confirmation Schedule

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 11, 2020 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
(College Care Packages)

Wednesday, November 25, 2020 No Class,  
Happy Thanksgiving!

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 6:00-6:45 p.m.  
Advent Service 7pm

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:00-6:45 p.m.  
Advent Service 7pm

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 6:00-6:45 p.m.  
Advent Service 7pm

Wednesday, December 23, 2020 No Class,  
Merry Christmas!

Wednesday, December 30, 2020 No Class,  
Happy New Year!

Class will resume on Wednesday, January 6, 2021

# KIDS PAGE



## Glad gatherings

The first Christians met together over a meal. Today church families still gather to break bread and thank God.

Follow the instructions below. Then write the remaining words in order from left to right and top to bottom to complete the verses.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	They	found	broke	bread	acts	in
2	houses	their	homes	beautiful	and	round
3	ate	world	beginning	together	follow	thought
4	with	numbers	glad	happiness	lesson	and
5	thanks	sincere	disciples	gathering	hearts	tradition
6	celebrate	good	praising	Christian	God	river

Cross out all words in column E with double letters.

Cross out all words that are books of the Bible.

Cross out all words in column B that end in d.

Cross out all words in column A that have more than 4 letters.

Cross out all words in row 5 with 3 syllables.

Cross out all words in the table with 9 letters.

Cross out all words in column F with 2 or more vowels.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ . ACTS 2:46-47, NIV

Answer: They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God. Acts 2:46-47, NIV

## A taste of history

Add a yummy, authentic touch to your Thanksgiving meal with this recipe.



### What you need:

- 2/3 cup heavy cream
- pint jar with lid
- strainer
- bowl
- container
- salt



### What you do:

1. Pour cream into the jar and close the lid tightly.
2. Shake vigorously about 8 minutes, until a solid lump of butter forms. (Take turns with a friend!)
3. Strain the contents, catching the buttermilk in a bowl to save for another recipe.
4. Put the butter in a container. Add salt to taste.
5. After chilling the butter, enjoy on fresh bread.

## *From the Education Committee*

The Education Committee has been diligently at work over the last few months designing and implementing a space in the sanctuary for our youngest members, called a “pray ground.” After the last few years, it has become apparent that young families



are just not utilizing the nursery during worship like they once did, and prefer to keep their kids with them during the service. We wanted to give them a quiet space to move about without the worry of disturbing those around them. As you can see from the pictures, the space is clearly defined with pillows to sit on, soft/quiet toys to play with, and books to read. Parents and other family members are able to sit close by to keep an eye out for their little ones, while still enjoying the service themselves. The space is intended for children who are crawling or new-to walking, or under age 3.

Along with a space for our little ones, we also realized the need for other members or guests of our congregation. On occasion, we would have members or guests who used a walker or wheelchair without a designated space to sit. So we



created a more conducive space for them as well. We want to show members and guests of all ages, that they are welcome here at EKLC!



## *From the Worship Committee*

### **RESULTS OF THE SURVEY FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Worship Committee is concerned how and if our congregants are connecting with EKLC during this Pandemic. During the summer our readings and sermons were from the book of Romans. September and October have featured readings and sermons from the Old Testament. The parking lot services had about 30 people average in attendance and the in person services averaged about 26.

The October Newsletter contained a postcard that was self addressed and stamped. There were boxes to check that would inform the committee how a member was connecting. 260 postcards were sent and 28 came back to the church. There were also 7 responses via email. We do not know if each postcard or email response was for one adult, a couple or an entire family. 9 postcards indicated that those individuals connect via Facebook or YouTube and in person. 11 connect only through Facebook and YouTube. 6 postcards indicated they connect by watching a service on television and 2 have found their own way to worship.

The email responses show 4 connect via Facebook or YouTube, 2 go in person and 1 connects by going to in person church as well as Facebook or YouTube. Pastor Brenda offered two Sundays of a drive by communion. These are the numbers that received communion in this fashion:

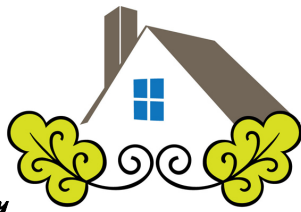
October 11: 8

October 18: 7

We know that pre-pandemic, our average attendance was about 100 which counts every adult and child, so perhaps these 35 responses also reflect that number. These are difficult times as we continue the work of the church through worship and outreach. The Worship Committee welcomes any and all ideas of how we can better serve our brothers and sisters at EKLC.

Submitted by Vicki Schuh  
Worship Committee Chairman





## *Remember Our Homebound Members*

### **EKLC Homebound Members**

**Lois Zerkle** ~ Fairhaven Senior Services

435 W. Starin Rd., Whitewater, WI 53190

**Melissa Anderson** ~ Home

279 Hwy A, Cambridge, WI 53523

**Irene Hensel** ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Bea Householder** ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Joanne Gyland** ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Shirley Johnson** ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**June Ramberg** ~ Home Again

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**Betty Scheel** ~ Home Again

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**Phyllis Vergenz** ~ Our House

201 W. Madison, Cambridge, WI 53523

**Janette Klemp** ~ Home

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**Lila Spike** ~ Swift Haven

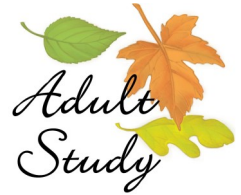
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## **Adult Study on Gratefulness with Diana Butler Bass - Mondays at 4:30 pm on Zoom**

In tandem with autumn, the season of harvest and abundance, we will use a 6-week video series called "Grateful."

It's based on the book *Grate-*

*ful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks*. But good news! You don't have to read the book. There are 6 videos for discussion and thorough questions in a discussion guide. It can all be viewed on Zoom via your laptop, tablet, or phone. This is the perfect study for us to get in the Thanksgiving spirit in October and the beginning of November. If you would like to participate in this series, please let Pastor Brenda or Julie in the church office know. You will get an email from Pastor Brenda with the Zoom link.



### ***Thank You...***

- ♥ Dear Members of EKLC, Thank you for all the wonderful cards, phone calls and notes while I was at St. Mary's Hospital and Skaalen for rehab. It was wonderful to hear from you all!  
~ Betty Gunnelson

### ***Monday, September 28, 2020 we welcomed into Holy Baptism:***

*Anson James Biermeier*

*Parents ~ Jon & Mollie Biermeier*

*Sponsors ~ Luke Biermeier, Trevin & Erika Kreier*

***God Bless You Anson James!***

### ***Saturday, October 17, 2020 we welcomed into Holy Baptism:***

*Jonah Ryan Zacharias*

*Parents ~ Andrew & Lindsay Zacharias*

*Sponsors ~ Ryan & Jackie Ellifson*

***God Bless You Jonah Ryan!***



# SUNDAY WORSHIP

When we are worshipping in person please know that personal responsibility is key - any member who is feeling ill or compromised should not attend services. We caution those in the age group (65+) of higher risk to use your best judgement if you should be attending services.

We will continue to live stream services on Facebook and YouTube for those who do not yet feel comfortable attending in person. All members need to be mindful of social distancing, washing hands, and wearing masks to create a safe place to worship.

***If it is decided to not meet in the building for Worship on your scheduled Sunday: Greeters, Ushers & Offering Counters will not be needed. Please check your email and Church Website regularly for Worship updates. Thank you.***

Please contact the appropriate contact person if you have questions or concerns about the schedule. Please know that if you are not ready to gather for worship or not ready to come back as a worship helper we understand. **We want you to do what is comfortable for you.** Thank you.

## ***Sunday Readings ~***

11/1 ~ 1 Kings 17:1-16 [17-24]

11/8 ~ Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1-10

11/15 ~ Isaiah 6:1-8

11/22 ~ Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28;  
Jeremiah 31:31-34

## ***Musician ~ (Contact Person: Judy Rusch)***

11/1 ~ Andrew Severson

11/8 ~ Judy Rusch

11/15 ~ Andrew Severson

11/22 ~ Judy Rusch

11/29 ~ Judy Rusch

## ***Greeters~ (Contact Person: Judy Rusch)***

11/1 ~ Virtual Worship

11/8 ~ Sonja Jacobson

11/15 ~ Hal & Vicki Schuh

11/22 ~ Hilary Terland

11/29 ~ Marilyn Gunderson

## ***Ushers~ (Contact Person: Carolyn Lien)***

11/1 ~ Virtual Worship

11/8 ~ Jason & Shawn Schlieckau Family

11/15 ~ Don & Natasha Amundson Family

11/22 ~ Ron & Nancy Knapwurst, Kurt & Barb Klemp

11/29 ~ Don & Eileen Hoehn

## ***Offering Counters~ (Contact Person: Joy Graffin)***

11/1 ~ Virtual Worship

11/8 ~ Gloria Fruit

11/15 ~ Joy Graffin

11/22 ~ Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel

11/29 ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl

## ***What to expect on Sunday Morning***

Please contact the church office if you want to receive a paper copy of our bulletin. When we are using the building for worship again, we will stop the weekly bulletin mailings. We will send them to you if you request it. Thank you!

When we gather together for worship in the building we want to make sure that you are prepared for what to expect. These are measures that are taken to be as safe as possible during the pandemic.

- Only the front narthex door will be open. The other doors into the building will be locked.
- A greeter will open the door for you.
- Masks are required to wear unless it's not possible in the case of medical necessity, per county public health orders.
- You are not required to take temperatures, but if you would like your temp taken, equipment will be available.
- Hand sanitizer is available at the door.
- Offering plate will be at the front door.
- Ushers will hand out bulletins wearing gloves.
- On Communion Sundays (first Sunday of the month), an usher wearing gloves will hand you a wafer in a ziplock baggie and a salad dressing cup or wine or grape juice.
- An usher will walk you to a pew. The sanctuary will be filled from front to back, so you won't be able to choose the pew you sit in.
- You will sit in your pew for the entire worship service.
- Every other pew will be marked off so you only sit in open pews.
- No singing in worship.
- No shaking hands
- Communion will be taken in the pews with the elements you picked up in the narthex.
- At the end of the service, you'll be ushered out from back to front and leave through the narthex door.
- Bathrooms will be used one family at a time, so please wait spaced out in a line outside of the bathroom door. After using the bathroom, take a Chlorox clean up wipe to wipe down all of the surfaces that you and your family touched.
- There will be no fellowship hour and no coffee.

These all might seem like drastic measures, but we want to be sure to do all we can to be safe and follow guidelines given by the CDC and county public health. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

# Prayers for our People November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Brian & Peggy Lauren, Matthew, Payton, Rylie & Chase Gerald	<b>2</b> Neil Duane & Robin Arvid & Linda	<b>3</b> Lynn Cynthia Allen	<b>4</b> Eileen & Dennis Kimberly & Aiden Karen	<b>5</b> Edward & Linda Melissa, Aaron & Cody	<b>6</b> Butch Ronald & Diane James	<b>7</b> Jeffery & Sandra Randal & Linda Ronald & Deanna
<b>8</b> Scott, Ann, Jacob & Emma Eric & Cheryl Molly, Lennox & Landon	<b>9</b> Paul & Lori Megan Leslie & Kris	<b>10</b> Cindy Roy & Janet Jill & Skyler	<b>11</b> Brenda Larry Maxine	<b>12</b> John & Carol June Mark	<b>13</b> Elijah John & Bobbie Yana	<b>14</b> Dave & Sue Michael Cal & Luisa
<b>15</b> James Jim, Denise, Morgan & Dalton Ken & Cathy	<b>16</b> Brian, Brittany, Own & Lydia Shirley Ken & Mei	<b>17</b> Michael & Cheryl Victoria & Alex Judy	<b>18</b> Scott, Jessica, Samantha & Alanna Robert & Gloria Betty	<b>19</b> David & Teresa Jason, Shawn, Shanna & Sully Greg & Brenda	<b>20</b> Dale, Shelley & Derek Garrett Hal & Vicki	<b>21</b> Yolanda Ellen, Andrew, Greyson & Rylie
<b>22</b> Lowell & Judy Linda Ellen, James, Lena, Walter & Cora	<b>23</b> Bjorn, Katy, Ruby, Thor & Wyatt Lila Tom & Trudy	<b>24</b> Ken & Marge Nathan, Bobbie & Tiffany Thomas	<b>25</b> Emma Leanne Michael	<b>26</b> Ron & Lynn Kaia, Victor, Dax & Croix	<b>27</b> Lane & Judy Scott Hilary, Ryan, Christian & Caitlin	<b>28</b> Jim & Linda Lisa Erica & Ben
<b>29</b> David, Kimberly & Amerie Mark, Denise, Ahleah & Rylan Phyllis	<b>30</b> Dale, Cindy, Kade & Karn Sidsel Joan	<b>Dec. 1</b> Andy George & Jackie Jennifer, Josh, Jayley, Jameson, Josephine & Jonah	<b>Dec. 2</b> Steve & Janalee Nancy Mallory	<b>Dec. 3</b> Robert Thianna Kolt	<b>Dec. 4</b> Justine Steve, Debbie, Laura, Jack & Grant Carol	<b>Dec. 5</b> Michael Shelby Bette & James

# November

## 2020

**From Pastor Brenda, regarding her schedule:**  
I am available during office hours and by appointment. I am always available for pastoral emergencies - you may call me at 608-616-5085. Please remember that family and personal responsibilities are needed times also. Thank you!

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <b>All Saints Sunday</b> 9 am Worship with Communion 9:40am Sunday School	<b>2</b> 4:30pm Adult Study: Grateful	<b>3</b> 8:30am Zoom Staff Meeting 9:30am Prayers for our People Facebook Live-Stream	<b>4</b> 8:30am High School Coffee Hang Out 11am Cambridge Clergy 1:30pm Zoom Local Pastor Meeting 3:30 Pastor/Youth Director Meeting 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm Worship Meeting	<b>5</b>  	<b>6</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>Pastor's Day Off</b>
<b>8</b> 9 am Worship no Communion 9:40am Sunday School	<b>9</b> 4:30pm Adult Study: Grateful	<b>10</b> 8:30am Zoom Staff Meeting 9:30am Prayers for our People Facebook Live-Stream 6:30pm CART board Meeting	<b>11</b> 11am Cambridge Clergy 1:30pm Zoom Local Pastor Meeting 3:30 Pastor/Youth Director Meeting 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm Education Meeting	<b>12</b> 1pm Leading Well Cohort	<b>13</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>Pastor's Day Off</b>
<b>15</b> 9 am Worship no Communion 9:40am Sunday School	<b>16</b> 4:30pm Adult Study: Grateful 5:30pm Property Committee Meeting 6:00pm Church Council	<b>17</b> 8:30am Zoom Staff Meeting 9:30am Prayers for our People Facebook Live-Stream	<b>18</b> 11am Cambridge Clergy 1:30pm Zoom Local Pastor Meeting 3:30 Pastor/Youth Director Meeting 6pm Confirmation Class	<b>19</b> <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>Pastor's Day Off</b>
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# Our Faith in Focus: 2020 VISION

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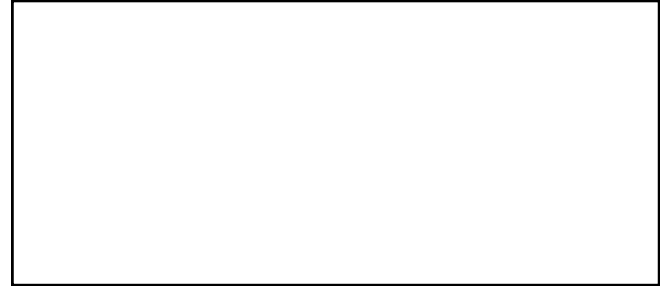
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*<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

*<sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.*

**Philippians 4:4-8**

