



# Sundays and Beyond

June 2023

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

## *Pastor's Message*

Friends in Christ,

The other day I was talking with two of my best friends using video chat. Getting to talk with them in this way was especially special because I don't really get to see them that often these days, because they've both lived and worked in China for the past 8 years. This reminded me, how truly we blessed we are to be able to stay in touch and communicate with each other unlike ever before, with a nearly limitless number of options to do so. The only downside to all of these options available to us is that it can sometimes make our communication confusing to navigate, because not everyone uses all of the same methods for communication. Over the years, I have occasionally found this to be a challenge in ministry, as I have sometimes had people try reaching out to me using methods that I do not use. So with that in mind, I'd like to say that if you ever have something you'd like to share with me or if you'd just like to chat for a bit, please do so by calling, texting, or emailing me or better yet stop and see me in-person during my time in the office during the week or after Sunday worship during fellowship time. These are the most reliable ways to get in touch with me and will ensure that I can respond quickly. **Social media, on the other hand, is not a reliable way to get in touch with me.** I know that we live in a time when many of you use and communicate through social media regularly. That's fine, but please understand that I do not use or check social media regularly, so if you try reaching out to me using social media it will probably be a very long time before I ever see it, which I don't want to have happen. Thank you all, I look forward to continue getting to know you all in our ministry together. Shalom to you in Christ,  
Pastor Eric.



Anders Amundson

Karly Lewellin

Ilsa Lund

Cody Kaashagen

Teagan Welscher

Meta Wescott

**EKLC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 6:00 p.m.**

**Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm**

**Attendance:** Nathan Stach, Denise Rockney, Hal Schuh, Don Amundson, Linda Hanson, Pastor Eric.  
Approved absence – Oren Hammes

**Agenda:** Approved

**Devotions:** Pastor Eric

**Financials:** Motion to approve – Don  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Nate  
Carried

**Review of committee reports:**  
Motion to approve reports – Nate  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Don  
Carried

**Review and approval of minutes from last council meeting:**  
Motion to approve – Linda  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Nate  
Carried

**Old Business**

1. Thank you's  
Sunday School teachers and helpers. Pastor will do with children helpers.
2. Camera System Update  
E-mail from Oren regarding meeting with Wisconsin Audio Visual. He met with Jaimie from this company and spent time in both the upper and lower church. Jaimie will prepare a report regarding findings and suggestions. Oren will present this at the May council meeting.
3. Development Group  
Nate reported that some of the group had toured some churches including Fulton Church. Waiting for update.
4. Youth gathering  
Denise sent out an e-mail to youth eligible to attend the gathering next year in New Orleans. One youth has replied at this time with interest to attend. Denise may be the adult volunteer.  
Church will contribute to expense. Amount to be determined.
5. Getting people back to church  
Discussion about new members that have been brought in to church membership. Discussion of how is this would be announced? Would they be willing to have their names published in the newsletter?
6. Volunteering  
Article to be in May newsletter listing how many volunteers it takes to have a successful service. Hoping this will encourage others to help.
7. Other business  
Placing of memorial bench continues. Lane and Kurt to place concrete.  
Spring clean-up May 6.  
  
There are donations designated for Ukraine in the amount of \$290.  
Motion was made to give to Natasha to disburse to her family for aide in the Ukraine.  
Motion – Nate  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Linda  
Carried

**New Business**

1. Nominating committee – no update
2. Surveys were sent out in the April newsletter regarding how members would prefer receiving information, email, USPS, or both– good return
3. Summer services to continue on Wednesdays
4. Discussion of "Family Fishing Day" at Hanson's in Columbus in June

**Motion to adjourn** – Don  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Nate  
Carried  
7:50 pm

**Closed with Lord's Prayer**

**Next Council meetings: Mondays**  
May 15  
June 19  
July 17  
August 14

May Council Meeting:  
 Monday June 19 @ 6:00pm

**2023 COUNCIL**

**PRESIDENT:** Denise Rockney  
**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Oren Hammes  
**SECRETARY:** Linda Hanson  
**TREASURER:** Don Amundson  
**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**  
 Nathan Stach  
 Hal Schuh

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

***Treasurer's Report***

**April 2023 Income: \$19,109.72**  
**Expense: \$23,411.13**  
**April 2022 Income: \$23,413.26**  
**Expense: \$19,387.66**  
**YTD 2023 Income: \$93,838.96**  
**Expense: \$108,170.30**  
**YTD 2022 Income: \$76,164.12**  
**Expense: \$67,802.00**

**Cambridge Food Pantry**  
**WISH LIST**

- Cereal
- Hearty Soups
- Instant Potatoes
- Corned Beef Hash
- Pasta (no spaghetti)
- Hamburger Helper
- Salad Dressing
- Ketchup
- Cake Mix and Frosting
- Sugar
- Pancake Syrup



A drop box is located outside the food pantry doors for your donations.



Thank YOU!



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 the 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 the 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



From the Church Basement:

Welcome to summer- for a while there, we weren't sure it would happen!!!

Thank you to Joy circle for serving duties in May, and to Light Circle who will take over in June. We will meet for Pin and Sew on Thursday, June 1 at 8 AM, and break for coffee and our business meeting at 9:30 AM. The invitation is always out there for volunteers who would like to help out with the quilt making. We have folks who make the quilt tops at home, and if that would be up your alley, see Beverly about getting some fabric. Sometimes we have squares available for sewing together. We put the layers together, Pin, tie, and sew edges when we meet the 1st and third Thursday mornings of most months in the upper church basement. We are always accepting fabric and liners, so "keep your eyes peeled" for those kinds of things.

Our Cambridge Piggly Wiggly is very generous to the community, and when we turn in "Pig receipts" we get money in return which we use for our mission projects. Please save your receipts and turn them in at church. There's a container in the Narthex for them. The rewards card number must be printed on them. Thank you for that.

We have two weeks of Meals on Wheels deliveries scheduled, and thank you so much to those folks who help out in this way.

Monday and Tuesday, June 19-20 Don and Eileen Hoehn

Wednesday, June 21 Carolyn Lien

Thursday and Friday, June 22 and 23 Sheryl Hensel

Monday and Tuesday June 26-27 Jeff Notstad

Wednesday, June 28 Beverly Lien

Thursday and Friday, June 29-30 Ron and Shawn Anderson.

Thank you to all of you for all you do as the family of East Koshkonong.

God Bless you,

Communicator Carolyn

## ***EKLC Homebound***

### ***Members***

Melissa Anderson  
279 Hwy A, Cambridge, WI 53523

Bea Householder ~ Home Again  
308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

Gary Johnson ~ Home again  
309 England St, Cambridge, WI 53523

Arlen Lund~ Home Again  
308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

Phyllis Vergenz ~ Our House  
201 W. Madison, Cambridge, WI 53523

Wilma Furseth  
1000 Ridge St 3B Stoughton, WI 53589

Betsy Calhoun  
10702 W Hwy 14 Evansville, WI 53536

Belva Anderson  
505 Stoughton Rd Apt 23 Edgerton, WI  
53534

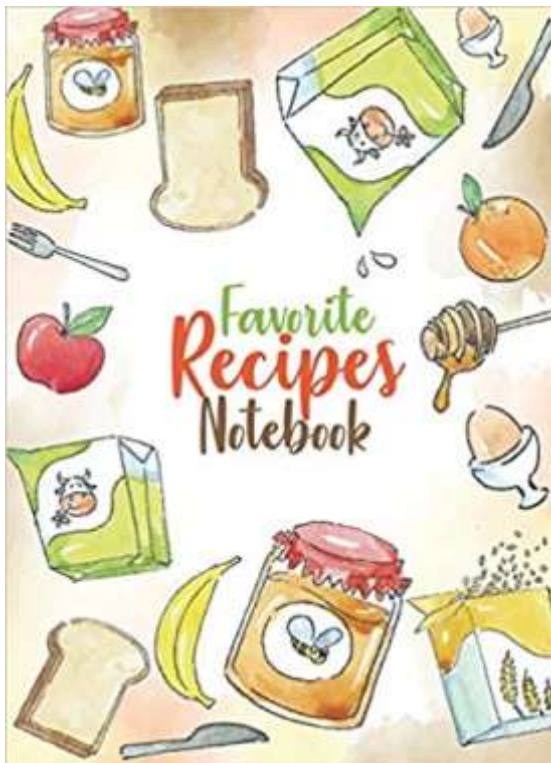
### **Bring in your Piggly Wiggly Receipts!**

The CAMBRIDGE Piggly Wiggly donates a percentage of Piggly Wiggly dollars to EKLC from your receipts collected in the Church Narthex.

## IT TAKES LOTS OF US

For Sunday worship, lots of people are volunteering to make sure the service runs smoothly and everything is in place. A greeter is there to open the door and welcome you. Two ushers pass out bulletins and communion cards and aid in the process of going to communion. Candles have been lit by an acolyte. The sanctuary is prepared by the Altar Guild with the appropriate colors of the church season. As the service begins, there is a warm and welcoming greeting by our pastor. There may be announcements by members letting us know of special projects or events coming. An Assistant Minister is in front ready to read the prayers, a psalm and distribute communion. A lector reads the first and second lesson. Kids race up for the first sermon, come back for the passing of the peace and the noisy offering. Volunteers are in the choir room and Sunday School rooms teaching Sunday School. The gospel lesson is read by our pastor which leads into the second sermon. Communion is served which has been prepared by the Altar Guild and they also put things away after the service. After the service concludes, two members are in the office counting the offering. When we note all of these people who give of their time to enrich the worship experience, it must also be noted that our Office Manager types the bulletins, prints them, and brings them to the Narthex. The hymns of the day are selected and the bulletin and newsletter is proofread. The EKLC Choir practices and sings the second and fourth Sunday of the month to provide special music. The church is cleaned and maintained by two volunteers. After the service, there is a coffee hour with baked goods. We are always in need of more volunteers to help in any or all of these areas. Please consider being willing to lend a hand, it would be greatly appreciated.

From the Worship Committee



## RECIPE BOOK SALE

The women of the church created a recipe book many years ago which has become a favorite in many kitchens. There have been several requests for copies of that book, but our supply had run out. We recently arranged for a reprint of the favorite recipes and we now have a supply available for purchase. The cost is \$15.00 per book. A sign up is in the Narthex and we will have a table set up soon to distribute the books. Checks can be made out to WELCA

# Worship Helpers for June 2023

## In-Person and Virtual Worship Every Sunday at 9:00am with communion

*If you are unable to serve on a date you are scheduled please make every effort to find a replacement. If you have any questions or concerns please communicate with the appropriate contact person.*

*Thank you!*

### **Organist~**

Judy Rusch

### **Assisting Ministers~** (Contact Person: Joy Graffin)

6/4 ~ Holly Loomis

6/11 ~ Gloria Fruit

6/18 ~ Vicki Schuh

6/25 ~ Carolyn Lien

### **Lay Readers~** (Contact Person: Bobbie Stach)

6/4 ~ Jane Furseth

6/11 ~ Bobbie Rawinski

6/18 ~ Peggy Luther

6/25 ~ Joy Graffin

### **Acolytes ~** (Contact: Bobbie Stach / Pastor Eric)

6/4 ~ Zack Durkee

6/11 ~ Tara Bettenhausen

6/18 ~ Morgan Rockney

6/25 ~ Kaylee Lund

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

6/4 ~ Carole Kenseth

6/11 ~ Don & Eileen Hoehn

6/18 ~ Peggy Luther

6/25 ~ Rosenthal Family

### **Ushers~** (Contact Person: Vicki Schuh)

6/4 ~ Henry Furseth Family

6/11 ~ Lane & Judy Taylor

6/18 ~ Carroll & Bonnie Ehrke

6/25 ~ Kaashagen Family

### **Communion Set-up/Take-down~**

(Contact Person: Marge Stach)

Altar Guild

### **Offering Counters~**

(Contact Person: Joy Graffin)

6/4 ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl

6/11 ~ Jean Lehr & Cheryl Nuenthel

6/18 ~ Joy Graffin & VOLUNTEER NEEDED

6/25 ~ Joy Graffin & Cheryl Nuenthel

### **Coffee Hour~** (Contact: Sign-up in Kitchen)

6/4 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

6/11 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

6/18 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

6/25 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

### **Church Lock up~**

(Contact Person: Holly Loomis)

6/4 ~ Vicki Schuh

6/11 ~ Holly Loomis

6/18 ~ Vicki Schuh

6/25 ~ Carolyn Lien

# June 2023

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

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Fri

Sat

				1	2 <i>Office closed</i>	3
4 <i>9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee fellowship</i>	5	6 <i>9:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 Worship meeting</i>	7 <i>5:30 Worship</i>	8	9 <i>Office closed</i>	10
11 <i>9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee fellowship</i>	12	13 <i>9:00am Staff Meeting</i>	14 <i>5:30 Worship</i>	15	16 <i>Office closed</i>	17
18 <i>9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee fellowship</i>	19 <i>6:00 Council meeting  Newsletter deadline</i>	20 <i>9:00am Staff Meeting</i>	21 <i>5:30 Worship 6:00 Education meeting</i>	22	23 <i>Office closed</i>	24
25 <i>9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee fellowship</i>	26	27 <i>9:00am Staff Meeting</i>	28 <i>5:30 Worship</i>	29 <i>Newsletter assembly</i>	30 <i>Office closed</i>	

# East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

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Cambridge, WI 53523

## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Tel: 608-423-3017

E-mail: [eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com)

Website: [www.eastkoshkonong.org](http://www.eastkoshkonong.org)

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AT 9:00AM

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

⇒ IN-PERSON

⇒ YOUTUBE

⇒ FACEBOOK

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YOUTUBE: Go to "East Koshkonong Lutheran Church" or the email [eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com).

**OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**YOUTUBE:** Go to "East Koshkonong Lutheran Church" or the email [eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com).

Remember to like the videos and subscribe to the channel! <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChUv6MDQV54yCWz6olGWewz>

**FACEBOOK PAGE** – Please "Like" us on East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Facebook!

In case of severe weather, you may contact the following resources to learn about cancellations at East Koshkonong

- church office @ 423-3017 (A message will be left on the office answering system as soon as a cancellation is made)
- web site, [www.eastkoshkonong.org](http://www.eastkoshkonong.org)