

# Sundays and Beyond

November 2024  
East Koshkonong Lutheran Church  
ELCA



Friends in Christ,

In this season of giving thanks, I want to take this opportunity to offer thanks for all of you, and the many and various ways you all support the ministries of East Koshkonong! **I'm extremely grateful and touched by your continued generosity. However, at the same time I'd like to invite you to consider what else we might be able to accomplish in our service to Christ if we just offered a little more of what God has entrusted to us. This increase in generosity doesn't have to be anything drastic, because remember that even a little bit can go a long way. For example, lets say we all tithed just \$1 extra a month on top of what we already give. I'm sure many of us, myself included, wouldn't really miss that \$12 a year. However, if every member did this it would result in thousands more dollars of offering! Imagine all the amazing things we could do in our service to Christ with that extra income! So you can see how small changes like this can make a big impact.**

**With the season for giving is coming up, I'm inviting everyone to think of one small way that you could offer just a little more of the blessings that God has entrusted to you. Then consider what things you'll need to help you follow through with this change, for example are there friends who can check in with you to make sure you're following through with this increased generosity or are there benchmarks you can make to check and see if you're making progress. After you've made these preparations, then as they say in the Nike commercials "just do it". Hopefully I don't get sued by Nike for using that phrase :). I'm excited to see the impact that these small increases in generosity will have on the congregation, in our communities, and around the world.**

Shalom to you in Christ,  
Pastor Eric



On Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we celebrate those saints who have been baptized, confirmed, and have passed away since November 5th, 2023.

## Confirmed

### Baptized

Blaire Hubred

Tanner Furseth      Morgan Rockney  
Payton Mancheski      Rylie Mancheski  
Kyle Durkee      Zack Durkee

## Deceased

Belva Anderson      Kirk Anderson      Richard Barfknecht      David Benson  
Carroll Ehrke      Gary Johnson      Paul Kaare      Arlen Lund      Lowell Lund  
Larry Peterson      Lowell Severson      Sara Depies      Ann Sansgaard      Joseph Luginbuhl

EKLC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:12 pm by President, Denise Rockney

**Attendance:** Denise Rockney, Hal Schuh, Oren Hammes, Amy Hensel, Peggy Luther, Pastor Eric, Linda Hanson, Ron Knapwurst

**Agenda:** Approved

**Devotions:** *Through World Hunger, our "Noisy Offerings" help a family break the cycle of hunger and poverty by providing a family farm with a water well, animals and a community garden.*

**Financials:**

Oren made a motion to approve the financials as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denise. Motion carried.

Discussion: \$1003.62 is in the Ukraine fund. Motion by Amy to direct a check in that amount to Natasha Amundson to send to her family in the Ukraine for items needed for refugees and villagers. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Peggy. Motion carried.

**Review of committee reports:**

Reports received: Pastors report, Education committee report. Peggy moved to approve the reports. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oren. Discussion. Motion carried

**Review and approval of minutes from last council meeting:**

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting. Motion carried. New Members: Six confirmands will become voting members of the church on Confirmation Sunday, October 13. This year's confirmands will be Kyle Durkee, Zack Durkee, Payton Mancheski, Rylie Mancheski, Tanner Furseth, and Morgan Rockney.

Camera system update: A new I-Pad was purchased to control the camera. Worship committee will work with a group interested in operating the camera. We need several people to ensure backup and a schedule set up.

The construction on the upper church ADA improvements are proceeding on schedule.

NCI Roberts has measured the louvres on the lower church bell towers and will provide us with a quote for repair/replacement. Oren will contact NCI Roberts regarding window repair/painting on the lower church.

Office assistant: Two people have shown interest

East Koshkonong will serve the community meal in Cambridge on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Veley family will provide pulled pork for sandwiches. Members can sign up to work and/or bring salads or bars/desserts.

Its time to order giving envelopes for next year. A message will be sent out to members asking if they want envelopes or not. Please let office know by October 15 either way.

The lawn mower lease is due for renewal or buyout. The council recommends leasing the mower for an extended 2 year term. Motion by Oren to lease, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron. Carried. Lease proposal sent to cemetery board for their approval.

Adjourn: Oren moved to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amy. Carried

**Closed with Lord's prayer**

Next meeting: Monday October 21<sup>st</sup> 6pm

**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.



November Council Meeting:  
Monday, November 18, 6:00 p.m.

**2024 COUNCIL**

**PRESIDENT:** Denise Rockney

**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Oren Hammes

**SECRETARY:** Linda Hanson

**TREASURER:** Ron Knapwurst

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Amy Hensel, Peggy Luther, 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.*

The Church is looking for help on Sundays after worship to help count the offering money. If you are interested, please contact the church office or Joy Graffin.



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

***Treasurer's Report***

September 2024 Income: \$20,993.85  
Expense: \$32,483.24  
September 2023 Income: \$30,915.67  
Expense: \$25,661.43  
YTD 2024 Income: \$303,994.94  
Expense: \$342,794.73  
YTD 2023 Income: \$205,435.05  
Expense: \$227,941.42

\*Please note, 2024 numbers reflect information related to the Upper Church Restoration Project in addition to normal offerings and expense.

We have sound amplifying devices available in the usher stand in the narthex. Instructions for use are in the basket with the devices, as well as saniwipes for wiping off the ear bud after use. Please turn off the device after use to conserve the batteries. Thank you!



EKLC will once again be participating with area churches in collecting items for Christmas food baskets. This year, our congregation will be collecting 100 cans of canned corn and 100 boxes of scalloped or au gratin potatoes (any brands). There will be a labeled container in the narthex for collection through December 1, 2024. Thank you in advance for helping all to have a Christmas meal.

### AED Refresher Class

The EKLC Health Ministry will be hosting an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) refresher class after church on Sunday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> in Friendship Hall.

This will be your opportunity to have some hands on practice with our AED, along with some user-friendly information. No previous medical experience is necessary! We encourage anyone interested to attend.



Our deepest sympathies to the family of Ann Sansgaard.

There will be no Wednesday night worship or Confirmation class on November 27<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor Eric will be on vacation November 25-December 1.

### Recipe Books Still Available

We had a very good response to our recipe book sale this year. We still have about 15 books left. If you are interested in purchasing a book, please contact Marilyn Gunderson (423-3876). The cost is \$15.00. If you write a check for payment, please write it to WELCA.

### *EKLC Homebound Members*

**Melissa Anderson**

279 Hwy A, Cambridge, WI 53523

**Bea Householder ~ Home Again**

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Wilma Furseth**

1000 Ridge St 3B Stoughton, WI 53589

**Betsy Calhoun**

10702 W Hwy 14 Evansville, WI 53536

**Joan Volenberg**

2315 Hwy W Cambridge, WI 53523

**Edward & Linda Melton**

400 N Morris St, Stoughton, WI.

53589.



Congratulations to our newest confirmed members of East Koshkonong!

## RIBBON CUTTING DAY

The date has been set for our Ribbon Cutting ceremony at the Upper Church. On Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, we will officially open our newly constructed ADA compliant addition. We will celebrate during our regular worship service, beginning at 9:00 am, with special music and special guests. Save the date and help celebrate this long-awaited day. We will observe our 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this Congregation and invite you to see the new construction which allows for **access to our sanctuary for everyone. Let's make it a "Homecoming" for all who wish to join in** celebrating this wonderful addition to our historic church building. There will be a coffee hour at Friendship Hall (lower building) following the service.

### News from the Church Basement

We will begin to meet for Pin and Sew again on November 7. The supplies for the kits that are being retained in the lower church will need to be moved, and we will get ourselves organized again for quilts. Thank you all for your patience during this time, and for the work that has been done at home. We'll meet at 8 and pause for coffee and our meeting at 9:30. It will be good to get back together again. Joy Circle will be in charge. Thank you for service duties in November, and to Peace Circle for October duties. If there are women who would like to become affiliated with a circle, see me to get connected.

We will receive our annual Thank offering on Sunday, November 24. Envelopes will be available at least a week before that. This offering helps support Women of the ELCA.

Several of us attended the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Women of the ELCA at Bethany Lutheran in Wisconsin Dells on October 5. It's always a good time to connect with friends both past and new! Women from our organization presented workshops, and we appreciated Pastor Eric coming along to support us. New groupings of units are being formed, and so our structure may look a bit different in the future. We are thankful for the women who have stepped up as leaders for the Synodical Women's Organization (Diane Luginbuhl is one who represents our unit and our area).

Thanks to all for your patience and generosity during the upper church project. We're anxious to get back to our home in the basement.

God Bless you. Communicator Carolyn

Schedule for Meals on Wheels delivery from our congregation to the community:

Monday and Tuesday, November 4 and 5 - Hoehns  
Wednesday November 6 - Klemps  
Thursday and Friday, November 7 and 8 - Andersons

Monday and Tuesday, November 11 and 12 - Sheryl Hensel  
Wednesday and Thursday, November 13 and 14 - Dieckhoffs  
Friday, November 15 - Klemps

Thank you all for your generous support for this community service.

# Worship Helpers for November 2024

**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

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

11/3 ~ Bjorn & Elizabeth Kaashagen

11/10 ~ Amundson Family

11/17 ~ Brenda Schroeder, Peggy Luther

11/24 ~ Dennis Lund Family

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

(Contact Person: Marge Stach)

Altar Guild

**Offering Counters**~

(Contact Person: Joy Graffin)

11/3 ~ Brenda Schroeder, Leila Carl &

Diane Luginbuhl

11/10 ~ Joy Graffin, Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel

11/17 ~ Joy Graffin & Gloria Fruit

11/24 ~ Brenda Schroeder, Leila Carl &

Diane Luginbuhl

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

11/3 ~ Sunday School

11/10 ~ Natasha

11/17 ~

11/24 ~ Joy Circle

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

11/3 ~ Holly Loomis

11/10 ~ Trudy Spike

11/17 ~ Gloria Fruit

11/24 ~ Holly Loomis

**Lay Readers**~ (Contact Person: Holly Loomis)

11/3 ~ Joy Graffin

11/10 ~ Don Amundson

11/17 ~ Trudy Spike

11/24 ~ Barb Klemp

**Acolytes** ~ (Contact: Pastor Eric)

11/3 ~ Casey Travis

11/10 ~ Elyn Wierzba

11/17 ~ Caitlin Terland

11/24 ~ Hank Wierzba

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

11/3 ~ Judy Taylor

11/10 ~ Ken Rude

11/17 ~ Marge Stach

11/24 ~ The Rosenthal Family

## THE CHOSEN – SEASON TWO

**We are going to begin another Bible Study of “The Chosen”.** As there were so many people interested in Season One, the plan is to continue with the same format. We will watch each episode together and then have a question and answer session led by Pastor Eric. The series brings the Gospel to life in a way that has been very meaningful.

Please plan to join this study beginning on Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am. We will meet in Friendship Hall and we encourage you to bring your Bible with you.

# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 9:00am Worship  9:40 coffee Fellowship	4 6:30 p.m. Education Meeting	5	6 5:30 p.m. Worship  6:30 p.m. Confirmation	7 8:00 a.m. Pin & Sew	8	9
10 9:00am Worship  9:40 coffee Fellowship  9:45 a.m. Sunday School  10 a.m. AED re- freshers class	11	12	13 5:30 p.m. Worship  6:30 p.m. Confirmation	14 8:00 a.m. Pin & Sew	15	16
17 180 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ribbon Cutting at up- per church  9:00am Worship  9:40 coffee Fellowship	18 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting	19 10:00 a.m. The Chosen Bible Study	20 5:30 p.m. Worship  6:30 p.m. Confirmation	21 8:00 a.m. Pin & Sew	22	23
24 9:00am Worship  9:40 coffee Fellowship  9:45 Sunday School	25	26 10:00 a.m. The Chosen Bible Study	27 Office closed No worship or Confirmation class	28 Happy Thanksgiving Office closed	29	30

# East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

454 East Church Road  
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)

## WORSHIP WITH US

AT 9:00AM

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

⇒ IN-PERSON

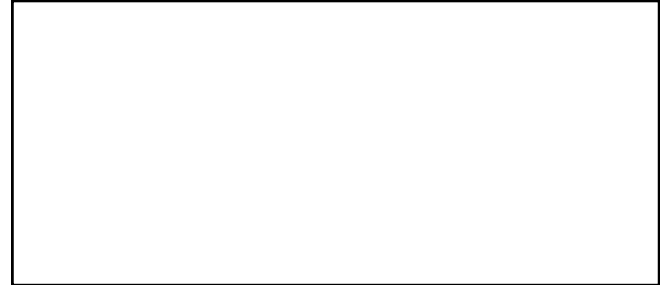
⇒ YOUTUBE

⇒ FACEBOOK

In person at 5:30pm Wednesdays

TO WATCH WORSHIP ON YOUTUBE or FACEBOOK:

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



OFFICE HOURS  
Monday - Thursday

**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/UChUv6MDQV54yCWz6oIGWezw>

**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)