Sundays and Beyond

April 2025 East Koshkonong Lutheran Church ELCA



East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Gater-Be Glad - Grow-Ge - With Grace

Friends in Christ,

In just a few weeks we'll be remembering Jesus's Holy Week journey; which begins with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. It then continues with the Sacrament of Holy Communion which he instituted on Maundy Thursday, where he will then be betrayed and arrested. Then on Good Friday he will be put on trial and executed by crucifixion. Finally, on Easter Sunday he'll be raised from death to new life, opening the way to eternal life for all of us, ultimately showing that nothing, not even death itself, will ever stop God's reign of love, peace, and justice. I cannot understate how powerful it is to

experience all of these things through the various worship services we have throughout Holy Week. I know that life is busy, with the seemingly never ending list of demands throughout this world, but I hope you can carve out some time to come join us for these services as we remember Jesus's Holy Week journey for the sake of the world.

Shalom to you in Christ, Pastor Eric



- April 13 9:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship
- April 16 NO Wednesday Night Services
- April 17 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship at Lower Church
- April 18 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Community Worship at Veteran's Park

5:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship at Lower Church

April 20 - 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship at Upper Church

9:00 a.m. Easter Worship at Lower Church

EKLC Council Meeting Minutes Sunday, February 16, 2025

Present: New council members Anders Amundson, Kreg Gruben, Kurt Klemp; Linda Hanson via phone; Denise Rockney, Amy Hensel, Peggy Luther, Pastor Eric Hanson

Pastor Eric called the meeting to order at 11 a.m. and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

The main purpose of this meeting was to elect officers and set a date to meet in March.

Kurt Klemp, president Denise Rockney, vice president Peggy Luther, secretary Amy Hensel, treasurer

NEXT MEETING: Monday, March 17, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Other council business:

- Pastor Eric was approached by Kerry Marren from the Cambridge Food Pantry about EKLC hosting the Community Dinner in either May or July. Council decided to accept the May 1 date because the July date was too close to the July 4 holiday.
- Pastor Eric announced that Dan Hanson would like to become a member of EKLC. Motion by Peggy, seconded by Amy, to extend membership to Dan. Passed.

Council will continue to meet on the third Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Property discussions:

- Ready Electric was here for an inspection on February 11; just one breaker needs to be redone on panel in the upper church building and the rest were all fine. The wiring in the bell tower also needs to be redone. Pretty much everything else they inspected was up to code.
- Discussed needed repair (and usage) of sidewalks, especially by the LP tank. Pastor Eric will send all of us a new contact list.

Motion to adjourn made by Denise at 11:48, seconded by Kurt. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Luther, recording secretary

Remaining Sunday School Schedule for Programming Year

March 30 - No Class, Spring Break

April 6– Kids sing during worship, host coffee hour and service project

April 13– Palm Sunday, No Class

April 20- Easter Sunday, No Class

April 27, Youth Sunday Rehearsal

May 4– Youth Sunday



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.

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 <u>www.eastkoshkonong.org</u> 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 OFFERINGS ARE ALSO ALWAYS APPRECIATED BY MAILING TO: EAST KOSHKONONG LUTHERAN CHURCH, 454 EAST CHURCH ROAD, CAMBRIDGE, WI 53523 April Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 15 at 6 p.m.

2025 COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: Kurt Klemp VICE-PRESIDENT: Denise Rockney SECRETARY: Peggy Luther TREASURER: Amy Hensel COUNCIL MEMBERS: Anders Amundson, Kreg Gruben, Linda Hanson

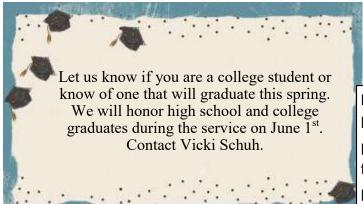
If you need to speak to a council member please call the church office to leave a message and they will return your call.

Treasurer's Report

February 25 Income 31,192.08 February 25 Expense 48,447.17 February 24 Income 42,999.45 February 24 Expense 27,860.52 YTD 25 Income 53,231.96 YTD 25 Expense 88,756.78 YTD 24 Income 72,191.62 YTD 24 Expense 66,476.66

We are still in the process of searching for a church office administrator.

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! Our Tuesday morning Bible study on The Chosen will be concluding on April 1. We will resume the study again with season 4 in the fall, stay tuned to future details. Thank you all for attending, helping, and participating!



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.

Worship with us Wednesday nights or Sunday mornings in-person or on YouTube. Remember to like the videos and subscribe to the channel! https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UChUv6MDQV54yCWz60IGWezw

EKLC will be hosting the Cambridge Community Meal on Thursday, May 1st at the Cambridge High School.



Our church cleanup day will be Saturday, May 3rd from 9 a.m.-noon.



Our deepest sympathies to the families of Michael Wolf and Maxine Porter.



Pastor Eric will be on vacation April 21-27. There will be NO 5:30 p.m. Wednesday night service on April 23rd.

East Koshkonong will be participating with the Cambridge Food Pantry and other Cambridge churches in providing Easter Food Baskets for those experiencing food insecurity. This year, we are collecting 50 cans of pie ready cherry pie filling and 50 bags of jelly beans. The last day for collection will be April 6, 2025. Food baskets will be distributed at the Food Pantry on April 9 and April 16. If you or anyone you know has a need for an Easter basket, please contact the Cambridge Food Pantry at 608-423-8142. Thank you in advance for helping all to have an Easter dinner!

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

News from the church basement:

Is it spring yet? We have cancelled several of our scheduled sewing days because of the weather and will hopefully be getting back to regular work on the first and third Thursday mornings of each month. April 3 will be our next Pin and Sew. We begin at 8 or whenever you get there, break for a meeting (on the first Thursday) and coffee around 9:30, and finish by noon. We have some new folks joining us, and the more the merrier!

Thank you to Light Circle for duties in March, and to Peace for April. There are opportunities available for those who would like to get involved, whether with sewing, Altar Guild, Coffee for Fellowship after Sunday Services, donating money to help with the Stewardship projects, saving and bringing in Piggly Wiggly receipts, adding voices to the choir, helping with funeral food service, and so many more. Many thanks to all those who are involved. And if you're not, think about stepping forward.

This month, which includes Lenten suppers and services, will be busy, so thank you to all who are involved in this work. Thanks to Marilyn and Pastor Eric, who have presented the Chosen film series and discussions, which have been most interesting.

Happy Easter to all. Communicator Carolyn

Meals on Wheels Delivery Schedule Monday and Tuesday, April 21 and 22 - Hoehns Wednesday and Thursday, April 23 and 24 - Sheryl H Friday, April 25 - Andersons Monday and Tuesday April 28 and 29 - Dieckhoffs Wednesday, April 30 - Andersons Thursday and Friday, May 1 and 2 - Klemps

Thank you so very much to all of you.

<u>WELCA Spring Tea</u> Southeast Dane cluster (conference) Saturday, April 26th, 9:00 a.m.-1 p.m. At East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

Speaker: Jean Duesterbeck – Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) Registration begins 8:30 a.m. Program begins 9:00 a.m.

Church women from the SE Dane & the S. Jefferson/Walworth clusters are invited to attend; invite your mother, daughter, sister, or friend.

What is a cluster? A grouping of churches in a geographical area, formed to create a community within the synod.

Offering: Cambridge Community Food Pantry

In-Kind Gift: Non-perishable item for food pantry

RSVP to Diane Luginbuhl (608)235-9874 or <u>dianeehrkelugin-</u> <u>buhl@gmail.com</u> by April 13th.

Trivia Activity: Each congregation is invited to share one or more facts about their church before the event. Email or text Janna Smith (262) 215-6892 or <u>smithjanna55@gmail.com</u>

It's a tea. Hats are allowed!



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Worship Helpers for April 2025

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) 4/6~ Kyle Durkee

- 4/13~ Holly Loomis
- 4/17~ (Maundy Thursday 7 p.m. Lower Church) Carolyn Lien
- 4/18~ (Good Friday 5:30 p.m. Lower Church) Carolyn Lien
- 4/20~ (Easter Sunrise 6:30 a.m. Upper Church) Trudy Spike
- (Easter 9 a.m. Lower Church) Holly Loomis
- 4/27~ Kyle Durkee

Lay Readers~ (Contact Person: Holly Loomis)

- 4/6~ Carolyn Lien
- 4/13~ Beverly Lien
- 4/17~(Maundy Thursday 7 p.m. Lower Church) Elizabeth Kaashagen
- 4/20~ (Easter Sunrise 6:30 a.m. Upper Church) Trudy Spike (Easter 9 a.m. Lower Church) Don Amundson
- 4/27~ Joy Graffin

Acolytes ~ (Contact: Pastor Eric)

4/6~ Elyn Wierzba

- 4/13~ Paige Reinstad
- 4/20~ (Easter Sunrise 6:30 a.m. Upper Church) Mia Frodel

(Easter 9 a.m. Lower Church) Casey Travis

4/27~ Lena Skjolaas

Greeters~ (Contact Person: Judy Rusch)

4/6~ Carolyn Lien

- 4/13~ Janalee Wagner
- 4/17~ (Maundy Thursday) Don & Eileen Hoehn
- 4/18~ (Good Friday) Buddy & Beverly Lien
- 4/20~ (Easter Sunrise 6:30 a.m. Upper Church) Marilyn Gunderson (Easter 9 a.m. Lower Church) The Terland Family
- 4/27~ Peggy Luther

Ushers~ (Contact Person: Vicki Schuh)

- 4/6~ Henry Furseth Family
- 4/13~ Lane & Judy Taylor
- 4/17~ (Maundy Thursday 7 p.m. Lower Church) Don & Eileen Hoehn
- 4/20~ (Easter Sunrise 6:30 a.m. Upper Church) Diane Luginbuhl & Brenda Schroeder (Easter 9 a.m. Lower Church) Terland Family
- 4/27 ~ Tom & Trudy Spike

Communion Set-up/Take-down~

(Contact Person: Marge Stach) Altar Guild

Offering Counters~

(Contact Person: Joy Graffin) 4/6~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl 4/13~ Joy Graffin & Dinae Luginbuhl 4/20~ (Easter) Jean Lehr & Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel 4/27~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl

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

4/6~ Sunday School Kids 4/13~ 4/20~ (Easter) 4/27~

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> 9:30 a.m. The Chosen Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting	2 5:30 p.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service	3	4	5
6 9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee Fellowship 10:00 Befriender's Meeting	7	8 6:30 p.m. Education Committee Meeting	<i>9</i> 5:30 p.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service	10 Pin & Sew	11	12
13 Palm Sunday 9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee Fellowship	14	15 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting	16 No Worship	17 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Lower Church	18 5:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship Lower Church	19
20 Easter 6:30 a.m. Sun- rise Worship Upper Church 9:00am Worship Lower Church	21	22	23 No Worship	24 Pin & Sew	25	26
27 9:00am Worship 9:40 coffee Fellowship	28	29	30 5:30 p.m. Worship			

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OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday

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Remember to like the videos and subscribe to the channel! <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UChUv6MDQV54yCWz6oIGWezw</u>

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