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**Elim Lutheran Church**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 14, 2024**

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The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

The risen Jesus invites us into peace as we touch his scarred body. May we, the body of Christ, share his peace with one another by touching each other's lives with love. Welcome to worship in the name of the God of life, the risen Jesus, and the Holy Spirit who empowers our discipleship. Amen.

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## **Prelude**

**Processional Hymn:** *ELW 377 - Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!* [As the music swells, toward the end, join in and sing verse 2]

## **Welcome/Announcements**

## **Ringling of the Bells**

**Hymn:** *ELW 361 - The Day of Resurrection!*  
(Using hymn tune Lancashire-Lead On O King Eternal)

**Greeting** (Setting 1, page 98)

**Kyrie** (page 98)

**Canticle of Praise:** *ELW 414 - Holy God, We Praise Your Name*, verses 1 & 4

## **Prayer of the Day**

**Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **Children's Time**

**Reading:** Acts 3:12-19

**Special Music:** *O Day of Peace* – Arr. by Hal H. Hopson

**Gospel Acclamation:** (page 102)

**Gospel:** Luke 24:36b-48

Gospel announcement response: **Glory to you, O Lord**

Gospel proclamation response: **Praise to you, O Christ**

## **Sermon**

**Hymn:** *ELW 522 - As We Gather At Your Table*

**Apostles' Creed** (p. 105)

**Prayers of Intercession**

Petition Response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

**Sharing of the Peace**

**Offering**

**Offertory Response:** *ELW 531 - The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing, verse 1*

**Offering Prayer**

**Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Blessing**

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

**Hymn:** *ELW 674 - Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

**Dismissal**

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Postlude**

**Worship Participants**

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Presiding Minister: Pastor Seth Perry

Organ/Accompanist: Brian Voss

Reader: Carol Nordin

Special Music: Elim Adult Choir; Janet Beckman, Director

Acolytes: Lilly Triden, CeCe Johnson

Youth Ushers: Gwen Triden, Jordan Pereboom, Natalie Pereboom,

**Please join us in the Fellowship Hall following the 9:30 service for coffee, treats, and fellowship.**

### **Attendance for Sunday, April 7**

8:00 a.m. – 30

9:30 a.m. – 126

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### **Schedule for the Week**

Today	4/14	8:00 a.m. Worship (Chapel) 8:40 a.m. Adult Education (Library) 9:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary) 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (Sunday School Room) 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall) 6:00 p.m. Youth Group/Confirmation (Youth Room)
Mon.	4/15	9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 9:30 a.m. Quilters (Quilting Room) 7:00 p.m. AA (Community Room)
Tue.	4/16	6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting (Community Room)
Wed.	4/17	6:00 p.m. Bell Choir (Bell Choir Room) 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir (Choir Room)
Sun.	4/21	8:00 a.m. Communion Worship (Chapel) 8:40 a.m. Adult Education (Library) 9:30 a.m. Communion Worship (Sanctuary) 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (Sunday School Room) 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall) 6:00 p.m. Youth Group/Confirmation (Youth Room)



### **Council Members**

Packets for the April 16 Council Meeting are available for pickup in the office.

Meeting is at 7:00 p.m.

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## Announcements

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**Reminder:** If you had your picture taken, or if you submitted a picture, there is a directory labeled and waiting for you. Check the table across from the office.

### Elim Church Council Meeting Highlights

**March 19, 2024**

The council approved the recommendation from the property committee to select Pinnacle Roofing for replacing the flat roof, but the project is on hold while we wait for the response from the National Fund for Sacred Places. We submitted a Letter of Intent (thanks Barb Sackmann!) which is the first step in applying for a roof repair grant potentially worth \$100,000. One of their requirements is to not start the project before the grant is approved.

We plan to hold two information sessions in April about the current state of preparations for the capital campaign, roof replacement, and organ refurbishment.

We approved the finance committee's recommendation to hire Congregation Consulting Services to do a non-CPA evaluation of our financial procedures for the purpose of providing an independent opinion on the reasonableness of the congregation's financial statements and recommending improvements to its internal controls. This is much less expensive than a full CPA audit. We have a high regard for our current financial team and fully trust their capabilities, but the synod recommends a periodic evaluation by an outside entity.

Phil Bailey, Council President

### Elim General Fund Report

February 2024		Year-to-Date	2024 Budget	% Over/Under Budget
Income	\$33,831.94	\$78,537.77	\$91,378.00	14% Under Budget
Expenses	\$54,053.63	\$92,192.45	\$91,378.00	1% Over Budget
February expenses included insurance premium for 2 months and higher than budgeted costs for utilities				

Doug Thomas, Elim Council Treasurer

### Elim Summer VBS June 10-13, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

This year's VBS is called "I Wonder". Kids are naturally curious, and when you're curious about who God is it's easy to grow your relationship with Jesus. That's why, in this 4-part series for Vacation Bible School, we're going to engage kids' imaginations! Kids will not only get curious about science, technology, engineering, and mathematics — but also about the God who created it all! They'll hear from early church leaders like Paul, Peter, John, and Timothy, who helped the first Jesus-followers wonder what made their stories unique, what gifts God gave them (and how they could use those gifts to serve), what they could learn from others, and how they could spend time with God. **There is no cost for VBS.**

Use the QR code  
to register  
today!



## You are invited!

### Scandia's Sister City Second Anniversary Celebration

Monday, April 22, 2024 @ 11:00 am

Scandia Community Center

**In a spirit of enduring friendship and cultural exchange**, the cities of Scandia and Mellerud, Sweden, will celebrate the second anniversary of their Sister City charter. Music by Bettes drågar Choir in Sweden and Unexpected Company Chorale in Scandia.

**A FIKA will be served** with a delectable array of Swedish pastries, and Smörgåstårta, a sandwich cake, coffee, tea, and juice. Free to the public, sponsored by the Scandia-Marine Lions, Security State Bank, and the City of Scandia. The Krown Bakery, Anoka, MN will offer Swedish breads and cookies for sale that day.

**All ages are welcome! You are encouraged to wear blue and yellow to celebrate Sweden.**



### Host a Coffee Hour – Support a Ministry

Looking for a way to support a ministry, program, or need within Elim? Consider hosting a coffee hour – it's a great way to raise funds for a worthy cause. Claim your date on the sign-up sheet in the office hallway.

**Dates available in May and beyond.**



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Our Mission: To  
boldly glorify God.

**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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<p>Seth Perry, Pastor            Joan Detzler, Office Administrator            Lisa Weigel, Financial Administrator            Vanessa Carpenter, Youth and                Children’s Ministry Coordinator            Brian Voss, Organist            Janet Beckman, Music                Coordinator/Choir Director            Joan Detzler, Bell Choir Director            Tony Jansen, Custodian</p>	<p>Phil Bailey, President            Laurie Carlson, Vice President            Rachel Putratz, Secretary            Doug Thomas, Treasurer            Alan Bakke            Kim Johnson            Steve Lodien            Jim Moratzka            Dan Sandager            Don Sandgren            Dave Trcka            Geno Tuccitto            Warren Zenk</p>

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