

Prayers of Healing, Care, and Joy This Week

Please Pray for:

- John Wittenberg, prayers for healing.
- Woody Fangmeier, prayers for healing.
- Jim Nordgren, prayers for healing.
- John Henning, prayers for healing.
- Warren Leonard, prayers for healing.
- Jason Binger (Ken and Ruth Lee's son-in-law), prayers for healing.
- Sue Myers (John Henning's sister), prayers for healing.
- Ed Schramm, prayers for healing.
- All caregivers.

The flowers at the front of the church are in honor of Larry Nelson's 90 birthday (May 18) given by his wife, Annell. Happy Birthday Larry!

Ezekiel

- Dear God, We praise you for giving us a community of believers to do life with. Let it be a source of joy and inspiration and a place where people can experience your love and presence in their lives. Thank you for the blessing of fellowship and the opportunity to serve you and others through our church. Amen.

World

- Father God, we pray for our world today. We pray for people in the Middle East who have been impacted by conflict. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need. In Jesus' name, Amen.

If you have a prayer concern please submit your prayer request to the church office 715-425-8294 or info@ezekiellutheran.org. All prayers are confidential.

If you or someone you know is going through a rough time, we have Prayer Shawls available. A shawl filled with prayers wrapped around your shoulders can be very soothing and healing! Contact Lana Bjerstedt at 715-781-1677.



Worship Assistants

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| Pastor: | Pastor Steve Dow |
| Musicians: | Rich Kuss, Tom Schreiber, Ken Thatcher |
| Greeters: | Aubree Treadaway, Kailee Treadaway |
| Reader: | Marley Piotrowski, Christian Treadaway |
| Sound: | Michael Rundle |
| Recording: | Ashbach Family |
| ProPresenter: | Ashbach Family |
| Acolytes: | Luke Graham, Mason Graham |
| Ushers: | Bruce Peterson, Loretta Peterson, Sloane Piotrowski, Stella Piotrowski |
| Communion Servers: | Ruth Emerson, Jeanette Juetten |
| Altar Guild: | Leah Gavin, Cindy Nolen, Dot Seebach |
| Coffee Hour: | Cora Olson, Vicki Olson, Curt Larson, Dee Larson |

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Welcome to



May 12, 2024

Seventh Sunday of Easter

10:30 a.m.

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today!



202 South Second Street
River Falls, WI 54022

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www.ezekiellutheran.org

Prelude

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Gathering Songs

“Love, Love, Love”
“In Christ Alone”

Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Reading

1 John 5:9-13

Children’s Message

Emma Knospe

Gospel

John 17:6-19

Word of the Day

Pastor Steve Dow

Song of the Day

“Send Us Out”

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the Church

Sharing the Peace

(People may greet one another with a sign of Christ’s peace and say: “Peace be with you.”)

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

We will pass the offering plates or you may give online at:
www.ezekiellutheran.org. Know that Ezekiel is most grateful for the gifts of support that you are able to give. May God bless you in your giving.

Offering Song

“Loved by You”

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Communion Distribution

Communion Song

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Sending Song

“That’s Why We Praise Him”

Dismissal

Scattering Music

“Loved by You” (reprise)

As Lutherans, we believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord. All who desire to receive the gifts of grace, forgiveness, and new life are welcome to come to the Lord’s table. You do not need to be Lutheran or a member of Ezekiel to receive these gifts from God. Children that have not received their First Communion are invited forward for a blessing. It is helpful to servers if they cross their arms as a clear sign. We will be receiving communion by bread and cup. Both red wine and white grape juice, at the center of the serving tray, are provided. Gluten-free is available. The ushers will direct you to the front to be served.

WELCOME TO EZEKIEL!

In worship and community, we seek to grow in love for God and for our neighbor. We trust that we are called and transformed to create a world of abundance.

Are you visiting today? We look forward to meeting you. Feel free to introduce yourself to those around you and fill out the red welcome pad.

Hearing Devices are located underneath the stairs in the back of the sanctuary.

Children in worship... We love the joyful noises that little ones make! Kids of all ages are invited to come up front for the Children’s Message. If your child needs a break or a creative outlet, check out the Playground located along the southwest wall of our sanctuary. For older students, we have an Activity Corner located by the stairs in the back of the sanctuary where they can select a few items to take back to their pew. Children’s Bulletins are located in both areas.

WE’RE HAPPY YOU’RE HERE!

EZEKIEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Summer Worship

BEGINNING SUNDAY, MAY 26
SERVICE AT 9:30 AM
COFFEE HOUR TO FOLLOW

SAVE THE DATE

Ezekiel’s Outside Service

23 JUNE 2024
9:30 AM

GLEN PARK PAVILION
355 WEST PARK STREET

MORE DETAILS TO COME!

Please join us in celebrating Sandy Tauferner & Barb Kuss



RETIREMENT CELEBRATION
MAY 19
DURING COFFEE HOUR

EZEKIEL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE BLESSING

SUNDAY, MAY 19
10:30 AM SERVICE

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

THIS WEEK AT EZEKIEL

May 12 - May 19

Sunday, May 12

7:50 a.m. Prayer Before Worship, Chapel
8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship Hour, FH
9:40 a.m. Sunday School, 56 Club, Rm 100
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship, Sanctuary

Monday, May 13

5:00 p.m. Worship Team, Rm 190
5:30 p.m. Connect Team, Rm 100
6:30 p.m. Service & Mission Team, FH

Tuesday, May 14

12:00 p.m. Rotary Lunch, Rm 100
1:30 p.m. Sarah Circle, Rm 100

Wednesday, May 15

9:00 a.m. Mom’s & Dad’s Group, FH
9:30 a.m. JL Childcare, Library
10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Kuss), Rm 190
4:30 p.m. Homework Help, Rm 200
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir, Music Room

Thursday, May 16

1:00 p.m. Bible Study (Bjerstedt), Library

Saturday, May 18


8:00 a.m. Worship Band, Sanctuary

Sunday, May 19

7:50 a.m. Prayer Before Worship, Chapel
8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship Hour, Retirement Celebration, FH
9:40 a.m. Sunday School, 56 Club
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship, Sanctuary with Graduate Blessing
11:30 a.m. Graduate Reception, FH
3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts, Rm 190
4:00 p.m. Girl Scouts, Rm 100 & 200
6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting, Rm 190

Happy Mother’s Day!


Please sign the welcome pad and pass it down the pew.



BELLS ARE RETURNING TO EZEKIEL!

Listen for more to come!!

Ezekiel will no longer lend out tables and/or chairs. Thank you.



Word for the Day

Mon - Psalm 33:12-22
Tues - Acts 2:1-21
Wed - Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Thurs - Romans 8:22-27
Fri - John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

RIVER FALLS BACCALAUREATE

SPONSORED BY SCOUTED OUT

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22ND
7 - 8 PM

RIVER FALLS HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

All graduating seniors, their friends, and families are welcome to attend the Baccalaureate service to celebrate and honor the graduating class of 2024.

Cake and refreshments following the service will be sponsored by The Sycamore of River Falls.

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