

ELC

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WEEKLY UPDATE



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CHILDREN'S WINTER FUN DAY



THIS Saturday, February 28th, is our Winter Fun Day! Don't forget to come out in your comfy jammies and enjoy an indoor snowball fight, games, and movie! All are invited. We hope to see you there!

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YOUTH AND PARENT MEETING

There will be a brief meeting after the 10:45AM service this week to talk about dress rehearsal for the passion play as well as the pantomime.

Thank you!



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CALL ALL VOLUNTEERS: SUPPORT FOR FUNERALS



We are updating our list of volunteers who are available to assist with funeral luncheons. Currently, we are seeking individuals who can donate food items or help serve. If you are able to contribute in either capacity, please sign up in the Narthex or reach out to Lena Rowe or Gretchen Minnich. Thank you!

ELC'S BIBLE STUDIES

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join the Tuesday Morning Bible Study to discuss news headlines from a Biblical perspective. This month's meetings continue on **March 3, 17, 24, 31, at 8:30 AM** at The Parlor House Restaurant

(724 S. Potomac St., Waynesboro) in the back banquet room. Each session includes breakfast, fellowship, and a Wired Word Bible Study, ending by 10:00 AM. New participants are welcome anytime!



ELC'S BIBLE STUDIES

The Women's Study Group will meet at **12:00 noon on March 10th** in the Welcome Center of ELC. We will discuss The Woman of Endor this month. Please bring your own lunch and drink, and new members and visitors are welcome. For information contact
Judy Reed
(717-331-7549).



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EASTER FLOWERS



This Easter season, we invite you to continue the tradition of honoring loved ones by purchasing Easter tulips or lilies.

All order forms are due to the office by **March 8, 2026**. If you prefer not to order flowers, you may also choose to make a contribution to The New Hope Shelter in your loved one's honor or memory.

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COMMUNION ASSISTANT TRAINING

Calling all senior high youth and anyone interested in becoming a communion assistant! We will have training on **March 8th at 9:45 AM** in the sanctuary. Please let the office know if you are interested so that we know how many people to expect. Thank you!



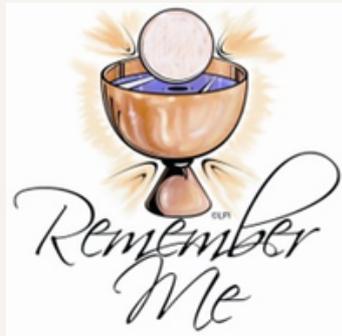
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**LENTEN WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY AND
EVENING WORSHIP**



Come and join us this Lent for a mid-week Lenten Study and Holden Evening Worship. The study will continue **Wednesdays, at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary, followed by Holden Worship starting at 7:00 PM.** Holden Worship is a 30 min. long meditative, liturgical service that includes litanies and songs by composer Marty Haugen. The study and services will focus on the theme Love Outpoured, with a concentration on exploring the implementation of small-group ministry at ELC.

ELC'S
FIRST COMMUNION CLASS -
SATURDAY, MARCH 21 ST



All students and their families are invited to attend First Communion Class on **Saturday, March 21st , 2026, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM**. This class, which is led by Pastor Rosalie, is open to all children in Second Grade as well as all older children and youth that have not yet received their First Communion Instructions. The students who have received their **First Communion Instructions will then take their First Communion on Palm Sunday, March 29th, during the 10:45AM Worship Service**. For more information, please see Pastor Rosalie or call the office at 717-762-9151.

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SPAGHETTI LUNCHEON

Come and join us for a spaghetti luncheon. Our youth will raise funds for their annual mission trip at this fundraiser, which will be held on **Sunday, March 22nd**, after the 10:45 AM worship service. The cost is a free-will offering. The luncheon will be a delightful fellowship opportunity with spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks, and dessert. Join us for this wonderful time of fellowship and support our youth. Thank you!



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Reserve the dates today! **June 15-June 18**. Our first committee meeting will be **Tuesday, March 24th at 7pm** in the **Community Room**. This year's theme is **Snowball Mountain Challenge!**
We hope to see you there!



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PALM SUNDAY PASSION PLAY



We invite you to join us on **Sunday, March 29, 2026**, for a performance of a Passion Play by our middle and senior high youth at 9:30 a.m. during the Sunday school hour. The event will begin with an interactive story for our younger children, illustrating Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on a donkey. Following this, the Passion Play will portray the journey of Jesus and his disciples as they prepare for the Passover and the significant events leading to His crucifixion.

We look forward to your presence at this meaningful presentation.

**** If you have any old sheets or fabric you are no longer using we are collecting these items for costumes.**

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MISSION TRIPS - ENVELOPE FUNDRAISER

This summer, 29 youth and 6 adults from our congregation will go to Camp Nawakwa to serve the camp by renovating cabins, painting, and other random maintenance jobs around camp.

Starting March 1 we will begin an envelope fundraiser, which will run all month long. You will find envelopes hanging in the narthex entrance marked with dollar amounts in two-dollar increments ranging from \$2 up to \$100 along with blank amounts for others who would like to donate another amount. We are asking that you consider taking one of these envelopes and returning it in the offering box or mailing it to the church office with your donation (for checks, write "Mission Trip" in the memo line and put Mission Trip on your envelope). If you are not attending in-person worship at this time and would like to participate, please contact the church office to request an envelope. We thank you for your consideration and participation in this fundraiser.

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YOUTH FOOD DONATION COMPETITION



We are excited to announce a friendly competition between our middle school and high school Sunday School classes to help those in need in our community. Starting this Sunday, we will be collecting non-perishable food items (can goods) to donate to the local shelter. This idea came about after the high school youth attended Winterfest and participated in a food packing project, where they learned about the struggles many individuals in our community face regarding access to food. The competition will run from February 8 until the end of the Sunday School year, and we will be tracking the total amount of food donated by each Sunday School group. We are asking each youth to bring ONE can to donate each week. This competition is not only a wonderful way to contribute to a worthy cause, but also an opportunity for both classes to demonstrate their spirit and teamwork.

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4TH & 5TH GRADE YOUTH TO
FUNCASTLE



Mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 12th**. The 4th and 5th grade youth will be going to FunCastle from **3pm-5pm**. More information to follow.

ELC'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH

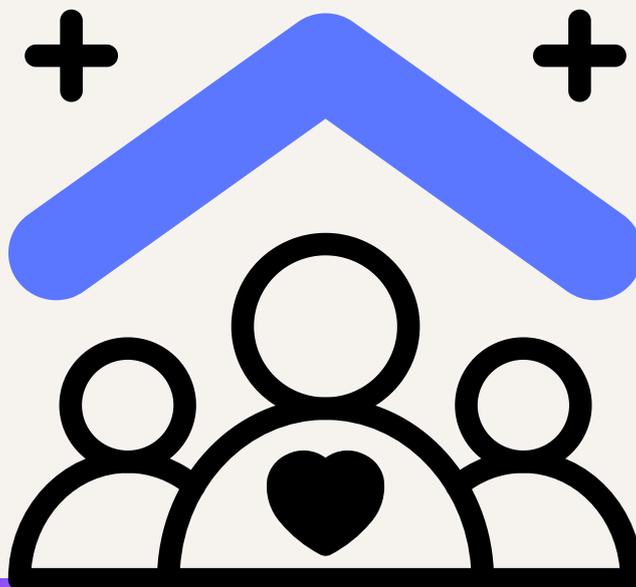
NEW HOPE SHELTER DONATIONS

The shelter would appreciate donations of the following items, which can be placed in the box at the entrance to the sanctuary:

- Men's and women's deodorant and body wash
 - shower loofas
 - mouth wash
- twin size zipper mattress protectors
 - Lysol spray
 - paper towels & plates
- copy paper, blue pens, sticky notes, sharpies
 - fresh or frozen meat.

They are also looking for volunteers to cook and lead activities for the children.

Please contact Mandi Howell at 717.762.5840 if you can help!



BULLETIN ODDS & ENDS



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like an announcement or date to be listed in the bulletin, please email it to the church secretary (officesecretary@elchome.org) by Tuesday evening of each week. Thank you!

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IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER

Canceling worship services on Sunday mornings is often a very difficult decision.

As everyone is aware, the weather predictions don't always hit the mark. If you ever are unsure if our worship is canceled, please check our Facebook page, webpage, or call the church (we will put it on the answering machine). If you are unable to find the information, you may call one of the pastors at home. If conditions are dangerous, please stay home and be safe. We will do our best to be here to lead worship, but if conditions are too dangerous, we will cancel either one or both services. Thank you for understanding. If you have any questions please see one of the pastors. If the schools close due to weather, the office will be closed.



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THOSE WHO SERVE



Those Who Serve March 2026



<u>Duties</u>	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Acolyte 10:45 am	Malu Dirr	Abigail Brown	Eli Kring	Abigail Brown	Mira Schuchart
Altar Flowers	In loving memory of Ferdinand Betts on his March 6th birthday By the family	In memory of Jerry Clapsaddle on his March 12th birthday By his family	In memory of Ellie's parents David & Eleanor Pfersch & her brother Paul By Ellie	In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph & Mary Mackley & other loved ones by Joseph & Margie Mackley	In memory of Denice Cauoette Thanks for the greatest 46 years of my life by her husband Wayne.
Altar Guild	Teresa Morningstar & Janey Jenkins	Brian & Barb Shook	Barb Cahill & Roxanne Cecco	David Hollinger & Wayne Cauoette	Shirley Clapsaddle & Joyce Van Breemen
Audio Visual 10:45 am Screens	Rich Luquette & Rhys Erwin	Brian Walker & Cadance Shemon	Mark Reed & Ethan McDonald	Brian Walker & Hank Erwin	Rich Luquette & Noah Walker
Children's Message 10:45 am	Donkey	Roxanne Cecco	Donkey	Debbie Zacher	Donkey
Children's Worship 10:45 am	Becky McDonald & Hayley Martz	Bobbi Blubaugh	Sue Mason	Kelly Michalsky	MaryBeth Johnson
Communion Assistants 8 am 9:30 am 10:45 am	Kim Morrow & Pam Wagaman -- Chuck Gates & Sean McDonald	Janey Jenkins & Rachel Moritz -- Gary Biesecker & youth	Christy Friese & Barb Cahill -- Cathy & Jayli Robinson	Barb Cahill & Kim Morrow -- Nancy Mace & Drew Reed	Janey Jenkins & Pam Wagaman -- Gary Biesecker & Carole Kipe
Flower Delivery	Andy & Maggie Rovelstad	Chuck & Teresa Morningstar	Ellie Bauerle	Joe & Sue Hess	Gretchen Minnich & Ann Dickey
Greeters 8 am 10:45 am	Karen Berger (W) Peter & Joyce Van Breemen (C) -- Ruth Taylor (W) Roxanne Cecco (C)	Sherry Newcomer (W) Joyce Van Breemen (C) -- Karen Krenzer (W) Nancy Mace (C)	Allison Stine (W) Joyce Van Breemen (C) -- Judy Reed (W) Pat Martin (C)	Janey Jenkins (W) Joyce Van Breemen (C) -- Pat Weaver (W) Shirley Clapsaddle (C)	Barb Cahill (W) Joyce Van Breemen (C) -- Allison Devlin (W) Roxanne Cecco (C)
Lectors 8 am 10:45 am	Joyce Van Breemen -- Bob Zimmerman	Pam Wagaman -- Bob Allison	Jen Jones -- Chuck Gates	Rachel Moritz -- Jeff Mace	Pam Wagman -- John Stains
Ushers 8 am 10:45 am	Team B -- Team A	Team C -- Team B	Team D -- Team C	Team E -- Team D	Team A -- Team E

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MARCH CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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1 8:00AM Traditional Worship 9:30AM Sunday School 10:45AM Celebration Worship Service 12:00PM Worship & Music	2	3 8:30AM Bible Study @ The Parlor House 6:30PM Worship Team	4 6:00PM Lenton Study 6:30PM Cathedral Bells 7:00PM Holden Worship 7:30PM Celebration Choir	5 9:00AM Sewing Belles	6 Pastors' day off Pastor Drahus on Call	7
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29 PALM SUNDAY 8:00AM Traditional Worship Service 9:30AM Palm Sunday Passion Play 10:45AM Celebration Worship Service 1st Communion	30	31 8:30AM Bible Study @ The Parlor House				
OFFICE HOURS: Mon.-Thurs.: 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM Friday 9:00 AM-12:00 PM						