

WELCOME! We're glad you're here.

NEW? We would love to meet you. Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering basket, or text "WELCOME" to 331.901.0424

Join us for Coffee & Community after the service. Stop by the Information Center and meet us.

SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 am - Blended Worship

10:30 am - Contemporary Worship

CHILDREN

Nursery is available for children 0 to 36 months old.

Children's Worship is available for 3 years old through 5th grade.

RESOURCES

Assisted listening devices are available from an usher or sound booth at rear of sanctuary.

PRAYER

Prayer partners are available after each service to pray with you in the rear of the Worship Center.

ADULT MINISTRIES

Find opportunities to grow and serve in Small Groups, Coffee Break Community Bible Study, Men's Fraternity, MOPS, SHE, Prime Time (55+), and more.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Grow together, enjoy relationships, be encouraged and empowered with our student ministry programs; Maximum Velocity (6-8th grade) and The EDGE (9th-12 grade)

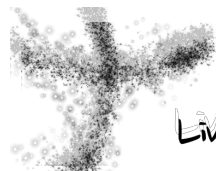
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

We love children, and want to help raise up children that love God and serve him. From Nursery (0-3 years old), Little Lambs (3-6 years old), Pathfinders and Cadets (1st-8th grade boys), to GEMS (1st-8th grade girls), and much more.

PASTOR

Rev. Gregg DeMey - Lead Pastor, Director of Worship
(630) 600-5030 - gregg.demey@elmhurstcrc.org

Large print Order of Worship available from an usher



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Complete announcements at elmhurstcrc.org/ThisWeek
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TODAY

Almost everyone agrees that Jesus was no ordinary man. However, the common opinion that Jesus was merely a kind, gentle, moral teacher isn't tenable given that he claimed to be God! What kind of a person does that? Only a few possibilities exist: either Jesus was a lunatic, or deceptively evil, or he was truthful in revealing his identity. He's either God or a fraud. In the Explore God question, "Is Jesus Really God?" we'll compare and contrast the consequences of those two possibilities.

NEXT WEEK

The Bible is a curious book: made up of 66 separate parts composed in multiple languages by more than 40 authors over a span of nearly 2,000 years. How can such a book make any sense unless there is something more to it than meets the eye? Perhaps the greatest evidence of the spiritual power inherent to the Bible is the effect it has on people. Have you ever heard someone say that they regretted reading the Bible, putting it's wisdom into practice or building their life on it? Likely not! As we continue with our Explore God series we will discuss "Is the Bible Reliable?" and wonder together the personal impact it has had on individuals.

WHAT IS GOD'S WORD FOR YOU TODAY?

ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:00am

How Great Thou Art

10:30am

Wonder

WELCOME

Laura Horner, Special Needs Coordinator

GATHERING

Sing Unto The Lord

Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Mighty To Save

God You Reign

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There Is A Redeemer

Your Great Name

GREETINGS

Phil Sikkenga, Executive Director

Preschoolers through 5th grade may go to Children's Worship

They Could Not

O Come To The Altar

PRAYER

Speak O Lord

MESSAGE: Is Jesus Really God?

Matthew 3:17, John 10:30

Gregg DeMey, Lead Pastor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Just As I Am

This I Believe

BLESSING & SENDING

Worship Team

Karla Engbers, Thelma McNamara
Amy Postmus, Mary Reitsma
Debbie Slager, Robyn Vitson

Doug Bardolph, Angela Buikema
Janice Crothers, Billy Heschl
Tim Lundeen, Kyle Olson

Sunday worship services are streamed live and archived for viewing
on the web via LIVESTREAM (new.livestream.com/ecrc)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting **TODAY at 11:45 am**, immediately following the 10:30 am service in the Worship Center. (Rescheduled from Tuesday evening.) We'll vote on the motion for the new Pastor of Outreach (Rev. Jeff Klein), select elders and deacons (elder nominees: Jonathon Bode, Todd Buikema, Tom Helmus. Bob Leppink, David Speelman, Ken Vander Wal, Mac Wiener, Dick Zylstra; deacon nominees: Rick Brown, John Deters, Kristi Hoff, Jennifer Stolzenbach, Lucas Taming, Jon Tigchelaar, Diane Van Drunen, Sue Wielard), and approve the Elmhurst Ministry Fund (EMF) 2019 budget. More details can be found online at elmhurstcrc.org/events or in the Meeting Packet at the Info Center.

Explore God: We continue to explore the BIG questions. Keep inviting your friends and neighbors to church and our groups.

ECRC Family & Friends Swim Party! Saturday, February 16, from 6-8 pm at the Oak Brook Aquatic Center. \$3/person or \$10/family. Register at elmhurstcrc.org/events.

Community Supper this Wednesday, February 13 from 5:30-6:30 pm. Join others from the church family for a time of food and socializing. Menu is heart-healthy meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, mandarin orange lettuce salad, strawberry applesauce, rolls, chocolate dessert, and beverages. Sign up at dinner@elmhurstcrc.org or on the sheet in the lobby by noon on Monday. Your cost is your donation.

Cadet Pancake Breakfast, Saturday, February 23 from 7:30-9:00 am. All are invited to the Garden Room to support the Cadets boys' group while enjoying breakfast and our church community.

Experience the Psalms prayer service, Tuesday, February 26 at 7 pm in the Garden Room. Come for a time of singing, prayer, reflection, and anointing with oil. All are welcome!

SHE (Single Mothers Support Group) Meeting today from 12:15-2:30 pm. All are invited to hear speaker Eve Senti speaking on "Bloom Where You Are Planted." Free lunch, craft and child care for infants -12 years. For further info about SHE events contact jane.loerop@elmhurstcrc.org.

PrimeTime (55+) February event - "Discover the Artist Within You" has been **CANCELLED**.

Prayer Chain Email: To receive the email prayer requests and/or to send out a request, email prayer@elmhurstcrc.org. Let's keep praying for one another.

Interested in membership at ECRC? Attend our *Journey to the Center of the Church* Membership Class, Tuesdays March 5, 12, 19 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Free childcare available upon request. For more info and to register email michelle.dejong@elmhurstcrc.org.

Set your clock! SpringHill Day Camp 2019 registration for Summer 2019 will open **February 14**. SpringHill Camp provides a fun and faith experience for current Kindergarteners thru 5th grade. Dates for onsite SpringHill Day Camp are June 3-7 and June 10-14 (two weeks this year!). Please just register for one week to allow for all to participate. Early bird discount pricing is \$189 thru February 28. Scholarships available. Info and registrations at elmhurstcrc.org/events.

COMMUNITY

Christ Church of Oak Brook, in partnership with Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church, and The Chapel-Hinsdale, is excited to serve as a host site for the **2019 IF: Gathering Women's Retreat, March 8 - 9**. The theme is Wisdom, based on Proverbs 3: 5-6. For more information and to register, go to www.cc-ob.org/ifgathering or contact Anna Wick at anna_c_wick@yahoo.com.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

2-10	Sunday	2-14	Thursday
9:00 am	Blended Worship Children's Worship Men's Fraternity	9:00 am	Coffee Break Bible Study Little Lambs Men's Group
10:00 am	Coffee & Community	2-16	Saturday
10:30 am	Contemporary Worship Children's Worship	8:30 am	Prayer Time
11:30 am	Coffee & Community	2-17	Sunday
7:00 pm	Congregational Meeting	9:00 am	Food Pantry Collection Blended Worship Children's Worship Men's Fraternity
12:15 pm	SHE Meeting	10:00 am	Coffee & Community
4:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	10:30 am	Contemporary Worship Children's Worship
5:30 pm	Maximum Velocity (MS)	11:30 am	Coffee & Community
7:00 pm	The Edge	4:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
2-11	Monday	5:30 pm	Small Groups
7:00 pm	Elder Meeting		
2-12	Tuesday		
9:00 am	Little Lambs MOPS		
2-13	Wednesday		
9:00 am	Coffee Break Bible Study Little Lambs		
12:30 pm	Little Lambs		
5:30 pm	Community Supper		
6:00 pm	Prayer Time		
6:15 pm	GEMS		
7:00 pm	Coffee Break Bible Study Men's Fraternity Choir Rehearsal		

Elmhurst Ministries Fund

...in support of the ministries and vision of ECRC

YTD anticipated contributions: \$240,640

YTD actual contributions: \$195,777

Annual 2019 budget: \$3,208,500

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WELCOME

Continuing today, we'll be exploring tough questions about God, the Bible, suffering, and related topics through a series of sermons and discussion groups. The series is called Explore God.

We all wonder, and we all have questions about God. Explore God is a Chicagoland-wide (you've seen the billboards?) opportunity to explore these big questions in an open and authentic way.

THE 7 BIG QUESTIONS

We'll look at the questions about God, faith, suffering, and our life purpose in these Sunday messages at 9 & 10:30 am.

1. DOES LIFE HAVE A PURPOSE? January 13
2. IS THERE A GOD? January 20
3. WHY DOES GOD ALLOW PAIN AND SUFFERING? January 27
4. IS CHRISTIANITY TOO NARROW? February 3
5. IS JESUS REALLY GOD? February 10
6. IS THE BIBLE RELIABLE? February 17
7. CAN I KNOW GOD PERSONALLY? February 24

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Consider an Explore God Discussion Group. It's a safe place where you can seek credible answers to challenging life and spiritual questions.

Find these groups here (and pop-in any date - we'll be there!)

SUNDAYS | 9, 10:30 & 11:45 AM (thru February 24)

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church

SUNDAYS | 7 PM (thru February 24)

Elmhurst Brewing Company

WEDNESDAYS | 6 AM (thru February 27)

Panera, Route 83 & 16th Street, Oak Brook

Wondering more?

Text EG to 331.901.0424 or email Jeff Klein at eg@elmhurstcrc.org.

Resource and Discussion Materials online at elmhurstcrc.org/exploregod.

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