

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.
Join us for Coffee & Community after the service.
Stop by the Information Center and let us know you're new.

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



God's Source of Shining Light and
Living Water in the western suburbs

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August 12, 2018

GROWING YOUNG



Worship Series
8/12 - 8/26

TODAY

When Jesus ascended into heaven, he intended that his disciples would continue to grow his church. "Go into all the world..." Jesus said, "You will be my witnesses." The church in North America is currently in a state of decline. The American church is shrinking numerically and aging rapidly. In response to this reality, ECRC's staff and leadership groups engaged with a book called *Growing Young* earlier this year. *Growing Young* considers ways to shape a congregation so that faith is not just passed down, but passed all around.

NEXT WEEK

"Kids these days." In every era of human history, an older generation has muttered condescendingly under their collective breath about the behaviors of young people. In the church, this should not be so! Those of us who are mature in Christ have the responsibility for taking the first step in bridging the generation gap. Wise people are inclined to do this. Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train up a child according to their bent, and even when they are old they will not depart from it." We will return to our ordinary Sunday morning rhythm of 9:00 and 10:30 worship services.

THE CROSS

The cross is draped in green for the period of the Church Calendar known as Ordinary Time. Traditionally during Ordinary Time, the Church focuses on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. Thus, the green signifies the regeneration, vitality, growth, and hope that Jesus' life, death, and resurrection brings.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

Joseph Taveling

GATHERING

*Holy Is The Lord
Love The Lord*

READING FROM ISAIAH 11

Abby Taveling

*Open The Eyes Of My Heart
My Jesus I Love Thee*

GREETINGS

Gregg DeMey, Lead Pastor

BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

Gregg DeMey, Kara Hackert, Jeff Klein

Preschoolers and Kindergartners may go to Children's Worship

Lord Most High

MESSAGE: Growing Young

Acts 1:7-9
Gregg DeMey

OFFERING

We Will Be Your Witnesses

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING & SENDING

Worship Team: Doug Bardolph, Justin Bardolph, Angela Buikema,
Gregg DeMey, 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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