

ORDER OF WORSHIP April 21, 2024

❖ PRELUDE

God So Loved The World

❖ WELCOME

❖ GATHERING SONGS

*All Who Hunger Gather Gladly
God So Loved*

❖ PRAYER

❖ SONG

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

❖ ANNOUNCEMENTS/ KIDS DISMISSAL (PreK-4th Grade)

❖ OFFERING

To The Table

❖ MESSAGE

*Table Talk
Luke 24:28-31*

❖ COMMUNION

*I Have Decided To Follow Jesus
Behold Him
I Stand Amazed*

❖ BLESSING

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More Ways to Connect

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or text DEVOS to 630-748-8172 for text reminders

elmhurstcrc.org/thisweek

Church office: 630-600-5100

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Morning Live (SML): Apr 28 & May 5, 8:30am in the Garden Room. We will watch a video series by Ray VanderLaan, and then engage in table discussions. Light breakfast provided. All are welcome!

ECRC Prison Ministry is on the move, and we'd love to have you join us! Dr. Lawton Searcy from the Elayne Hunt Correctional Facility (St. Gabriel, Louisiana), along with our incarcerated brothers in Christ, have invited the ECRC family back to visit them for a mission trip of celebration, worship, and evangelism. The trip will take place Thu-Sun, Jun 27-30. The approximate cost per person is \$1,000. The deadline to sign up is May 12. Please contact Amy VanderMolen (630-832-6959) for details.

Chicago Dogs Baseball Game: PrimeTime is going to the Dogs in Rosemont on Fri, May 31 at 7 pm. Tickets are \$16, parking is \$3. There are 30 tickets available (first come, first serve), and we'll meet there. It's going to be a fun night! Info and reservations: elmhurstcrc.org/events

Little Lambs The Floating Zoo Spring Program. Our preschoolers sing their way through the story of Noah's Ark on Wednesday and Thursday, April 24 & 25 at 7 pm. Refreshments served following program. All are invited!

Preschool Petting Zoo Party May 21, Tue. 10am - 12pm. Animals, games, crafts, snacks, tour of Little Lambs. Invite your friends! Free event!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER - May 2. Join us that Thursday for a time of gratitude and intercession as we pray for our region, our nation, our state, and our world.
Prayer stations in the Garden Room 9am-5pm
Prayer Service @ Noon in the Garden Room
Prayer Service @ 7pm in the Upper Gathering Area

WELCOME WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

Name

Email

Phone

New Here?

Yes

No

I'd Like More Information On

Baptism

Membership

Programs for:

Serve

Prayer

Speak with Pastor

Weekly Enews

Prayer / Praise / Comment

"hello"

If you're new or new-ish we'd like to invite you to fill out this card and bring it to the Welcome Center in the lobby, drop it in the offering basket, text "Hello" to 630.748.8172 or scan to connect. We'd love to get to know you!



THE WAY OF EMMAUS

Our worship guide image is a print of the original painting, *The Way of Emmaus* by Janet Brooks-Gerloff, 1992 Benedictine Kornelimünster, Aachen

The painting depicts two disciples walking away from us in dark clothes, bowed heads, stooped shoulders, and their faces hidden, revealing the disciples' downcast demeanor and dashed hopes. One of them is Cleopas, and the other is an unnamed disciple (though some suggest it may have been his wife, Mary). Alongside them, walks the barely discernible, resurrected Christ.

Inspired by Luke 24:13-35

"He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

Jesus then tells them of how Christ, and sometimes his followers, must suffer in order to enter into his glory. Although they will realize this only in hindsight, ***their hearts are already burning.***

FAMILY, KIDS & YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAMILIES

- **Nursery** is available for ages 0 - 2
- **Children's Worship** for PreK - 4th grade
- **Activity** supply stations in the lobby & Java Stop
- **SpringHill Camp** volunteer opportunities - email kara.hackert@elmhurstcrc.org for info.

Parents of 5th Graders - We will be having our annual 5th grade Bible presentation on Mon, May 13 from 5:30-6:45. Please email kara.hackert@elmhurstcrc.org if you did not receive an informational email about this event. We look forward to this special night!

YOUTH GROUP

- **Big Group Worship 5-7pm** TONIGHT and May 19.
- **Profession of Faith** "Going Public" discussions are happening in the month of April before church from 8:45-9:45am. All students are invited to explore what it means to make your faith public. If you missed this morning and are interested, email jeff.klein@elmhurstcrc.org
- **Youth Social** May 5
- **Serve Project** in the city May 11
- **Color Wars** May 19

More details and registration at elmhurstcrc.org/youth

Fall registrations are now open for Fall Ministries.

Go to: elmhurstcrc.org/registrations

Early bird discount available for our Little Lambs Preschool Experience!



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