

East St. Olaf Lutheran Church

6200 County Road 3 SW – Byron, MN

April 26, 2026: Second Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion

Pastor: Rev. Paul Thompson

Organist: Pat Nelson

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING:

If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook (in the narthex).
Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.

SCHEDULE FOR APRIL



EAST EARLY at 8:30 am for Apr. (coffee follows)

JAM at 9:30 am at West for all students, also West coffee

WEST LATE at 10:30 am for Apr. (coffee 9:30 am)

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

Note: Anyone interested may join **Altar Guild**

Altar Guild: Apr. – Marylin Carlson & Audrey Carlson

Deacon: Apr. – Meghan Ohman

Reader: Apr. 12 - Brian Mueller

Acolytes: Ushers cover, if no acolyte listed

Coffee Servers: 2nd Sun. – Sarah Circle – APRIL 12

READINGS: Apr. 12, 2026 ~ Second Sunday of Easter

INTRODUCTION: *In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter the first two readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and the first letter of Peter. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.*

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 22-32: *After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death*

according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

PSALM: Psalm 16

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9: *This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.*

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31: *The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.*

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

>>> Pastor Paul has vacation starting this Wednesday, April 15 through April 25.

FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES please contact
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RING FOUND AT EAST CHURCH AFTER EASTER

A ring was found at the East church after the Easter service.

If it is yours, please email the church office to identify it, at

eastwest@kmtel.com or call and leave a message 507-365-8222.

LUTHER LEAGUE APRIL EVENT THIS WEDNESDAY!

We are signed up to serve at the Ronald McDonald House this

Wednesday, April 15 - this will be in place of confirmation.

Students are asked to sign up with Alli at 507-398-7769 ahead

of time, as she needs to register all attendees in advance. The time frame is 4-8:00 pm (with the meal being served at 6).

SAVE THE DATE!!! Sunday **May 10**, will be a Mother's Day Dinner for all East members. More info soon.

**WOMEN'S ZUMBRO RIVER CONFERENCE "SPRING EVENT": Saturday, April 25, 2026 at Zumbro Lutheran Church
624 Third Ave. SW Rochester, MN 55902**

Event Schedule:

9-9:30 am: Registration, Coffee & Displays

9:30 am: Program & Worship (Speaker: Pastor Shelley Cunningham)

12:00 pm: Lunch

>>>Registration Deadline was April 10.

>> REACHING OUT WITH COMPASSION: Please bring a love offering for Zumbro's Food Pantries. Items needed: Tuna or chicken pouches, ramen noodle cups, creamy peanut butter, Hormel "Compleats" shelf-stable microwave meals, and boxes of instant oatmeal packets.

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

Deadline for bulletin information – Wednesdays by 7:30 pm.

Deadline for the newsletter info by the 19th each month.

TODAY	8:30 am	EAST worship (<i>coffee after church</i>)
	9:30 am	JAM at West, <i>also West coffee</i>
	10:30 am	WEST worship
Monday:	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
	7:00 pm	West council meeting
Tuesday:	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch

>>> Pastor has vac/days-off Apr. 15-Apr. 25 <<<

**Wednesday: 4 - 8:00 pm LUTHER LEAGE serves supper
at Ronald McDonald House!!
(this is in place of class)**

Sun. (04/19) Reverend Jim Rushton preaching at both
8:30 am EAST worship, communion
East coffee after church
9:30 am JAM at West, *also West coffee for*
West Graduate Recognition!
10:30 am WEST worship (NO comm today)

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

- Apr. 20 (Mon.):** 7:00 pm Deadline to submit newsletter info
- Apr. 21 (Tue.):** 10:00 am East quilting/ sack lunch
- Apr. 22 (Wed.):** >>>> NO confirmation class (pastor vac.)
- Apr. 25 (Sat.):** >>> **BOTH: Zumbro River Conference**
“Spring Event” at Zumbro Luth of
Roch.: 8am-9:30 Check-in, Coffee
9:30 am - Prayer/Worship
Noon – Lunch served
- April 26: (Sun.)** 8:30 am EAST worship
East coffee after church
- 9:30 am JAM at West, *also West coffee*
- 10:30 am WEST worship, **Communion it’s**
“First Holy Communion”
- Apr. 27 (Mon.):** 9am-Noon Pastor at office
- Apr. 28 (Tue.):** 10:00 am East quilting/ sack lunch
- Apr. 29 (Wed):** 7:00 pm BOTH: Confirmation at WEST
- Apr. 30 (Thur.):** 9am-Noon Pastor at office
>>>> **NEWSLETTER DAY at OFFICE**
(9:10-print, 9:25-fold, 9:40-collate)

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Linda K., (*friend of Pat Nelson*), Keith Roeder (*friend of Audrey Carlson*), Salem (*cousin of Keaton DeCook*), Todd Pyfferoen, Kathy B., Orillie Iverson, Kaysie Peterson, Dawn Hugeback, Debra Moekel (*daughter of Audrey Carlson*), Dalton Mansfield (*in military*), John (*cousin of Pat N*), Sylvia Torstenson, and John Heydt (*brother of Pat*).

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