

East St. Olaf Lutheran Church

6200 County Road 3 SW – Byron, MN

April 5, 2026: Resurrection of Our Lord / Easter Day

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. 5 - Randy Robinson

Acolytes: Ushers cover, if no acolyte listed

Coffee Servers: No coffee hour Easter Day

READINGS: Apr. 5: Resurrection of Our Lord / Easter Day

INTRODUCTION: *This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.*

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:1-6: *Joy at the restoration of God's people.*

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4: *Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.*

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10: *Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!*

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEST WELCA will meet THIS Wednesday, April 8 at 1:00 pm at the Villa in Hayfield. Kathy and Randy Demmer will be providing music. Coffee and dessert will be served by Sally West and Nancy Peterson. *Please join us for a time of fellowship.*

LUTHER LEAGUE APRIL EVENT!

We are signed up to serve at the Ronald McDonald House on **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).

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: Friday, April 10: Talk to your church's WELCA leaders regarding cost, registration, and/or if any women have plans to ride together.

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.

WILLING TO READ SCRIPTURES?

If you are willing to do scripture readings, please sign up at the lectern where we sign the communion book. *Thank you.*

EAST MEMBERS: If you know of anyone who would like a get a card from East St. Olaf, please contact Jane Williams (507) 271-2272 (Talk or Text). *Help us share a blessing!*

PRAYER UPDATES:



Please inform Gina if you have prayer updates... whether someone to add to our prayer list or if someone is now doing well and can be removed.

EAST CONTRIBUTIONS:

(03/29/2026) Current \$1,520 and Benevolence \$129.

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

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

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

TODAY EASTER! ALLELUJAH! HE IS RISEN!

>> No JAM classes, No coffee hour at either church today

8:30 am EAST worship, communion

10:00 am WEST worship, communion

Monday: 9am-Noon Pastor at office

Tuesday: 10:00 am East quilting/sack lunch

Noon East Circle 4 meeting-bring lunch,
treats will be provided.

6:00 pm East council meeting

Wednesday: 1:00 pm West WELCA meeting in Hayfield
at The Villa (*hosts: Sally West and*
Nancy Peterson)

7:00 pm BOTH: Confirmation at WEST

Thursday: 9am-Noon Pastor at office

Friday: _____ Pastor's day off-work

>>> Deadline for women to register for

the Zumbro Conf. "Spring Event"

Saturday: 10:00 am East Women's meeting at church
 1:00-5:00pm EAST RESERVED for a family
birthday party at the church!

Sun., (04/12) 8:30 am EAST worship
East coffee after church

9:30 am JAM at West, *also West coffee*

10:30 am WEST worship

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

Apr. 13 (Mon.): 9am-Noon Pastor at office
 7:00 pm West council meeting

Apr. 14 (Tue.): 10:00 am East quilting/sack lunch

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

Apr. 15 (Wed.): 4 - 8:00 pm LUTHER LEAGE serves supper
at Ronald McDonald House!!
(this is in place of class)

April 19: (Sun.) 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)

Apr. 20 (Mon.): 7:00 pm Deadline to submit info for the
May issue of newsletter

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" of
Grasyn Hiam, Grant Palmersheim
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

East Prayers: 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 Nelson*), Sylvia Torstenson, and John Heydt (*brother of Pat Nelson*).

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

PASTOR Paul Thompson: (*Call before driving to office*)
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 OR by appointment (*Day off-work is Friday*)

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