

# East St. Olaf Lutheran Church

6200 County Road 3 SW – Byron, MN

May 19, 2024: Day of Pentecost

Rev. Paul Thompson

Organist: Pat Nelson

## **WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING:**



If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook (in narthex).

*Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.*



## **MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**WEST 9:00 am worship** / West coffee at 10am

**EAST 11:00 am worship** / East coffee after church

## **THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US**

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

**Altar Guild:** May – Dawn Evjen

**Deacon:** May - Lori Peterson

**Reader/Helper:** May 19 – Randy Robinson

**East Acolytes:** If none listed, then ushers are covering

**EAST - SUNDAY COFFEE HOURS SERVED BY:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month — *OPEN week*

## **INTRO & READINGS for May 19:**

**INTRODUCTION:** *Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Crossing all boundaries that would separate us, the Spirit brings the wideness of God's mercy to places we least expect it – to a crowd of strangers of different lands and tongues, to dry bones, to our weak hearts. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be accompanied by the Holy Spirit, and that this Spirit reveals the truth. We celebrate that we too have been visited with this same Spirit. Guided by the truth, we join together in worship, and then disperse to share the fullness of Christ's love with the world.*

**FIRST READING:** Acts 2:1-21: *Originally Pentecost was a Jewish thanksgiving-type festival celebrated seven weeks after Passover. On this particular Pentecost, however, the Holy Spirit is poured out upon the entire community of believers just as Jesus had promised and the*

scriptures had prophesied. Empowered by the Spirit, the entire community bears witness to God's activity in multiple languages.

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

SECOND READING: Romans 8:22-27: *By pouring the Holy Spirit into our hearts, God gives us the promised first fruit of eternal life so that we await God's future in hope. In the meantime, the Spirit also intercedes for us by carrying the prayers of our weak hearts to God.*

GOSPEL: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15: *While speaking to his disciples before his death, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as "the Helper" and describes the difference the Spirit will make in their lives and in the world.*

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS



**TODAY: RECEPTION TO HONOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:** Join us after church TODAY, for a reception to honor our 2024 high school graduates, Kale Robinson and Maddi Pyfferon. All welcome!



**EAST: FOOD DRIVE:** During the month of May, we will be collecting food donations and monetary donations for the local food shelf. *Summer is coming – so no free school lunches.* East St. Olaf is concentrating on collecting food that is easy for children to fix.

Financial donations are also accepted, as the food shelf has extra buying power (more than our individual buying power). Please stop by the church narthex and drop off donations. Lock Box available... or mail donations to: East St. Olaf Food Donations 6200 CR#3 Byron, MN 55920 (please write "Kid's Food" on the memo line of your check).

## EAST ST. OLAF CONGREGATION-WIDE RUMMAGE/"TREASURE" SALE: JULY 19-20:



When you are doing spring cleaning, think of this sale! *Currently we are looking to use the Salem Town Hall during the Byron Good Neighbor Days weekend.* There will be two rooms. **One room will be items donated to the church.** Whatever

we sell them for, the church keeps. At the end of the sale, if these items do not sell, you can pick them up or we can donate them to Goodwill. **The other room will be consignment.** There will be a 25% consignment fee, but the other 75% will be yours. At the end of the sale, you need to pick up your unsold items.

**All items are welcome for in either room.** Clothing, furniture, home décor, crafts, farm items. If you are planning to sell a large item, please contact Jane Williams before June 15 so we can get that listed in our advertisement. *If any questions, call Marylin Carlson.*

## EAST: IMPORTANT DATES - MAY

- 19 **East Graduation Recognition**  
 21 10:00 Quilting/Sack Lunch  
 26 *Holy Trinity Sunday*  
 28 10:00 Quilting/Sack Lunch

## HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

<b>Sun. 05/19:</b>	9:00 am	West worship
	10:00 am	Both-JAM at West ( <i>last day</i> ) West coffee
	11:00 am	East worship - <b><u>then after church, Graduate Recognition coffee</u></b>
<b>Monday</b>	9-Noon	Pastor at office
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
	7:00 pm	<u>Deadline to submit newsletter info</u>
<b>Thursday</b>	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
<b>Friday</b>	-----	Pastor's day off-work
<b>Sun. 05/26</b>	9:00 am	West worship/ <u>communion</u>
	10:00 am	West coffee
	11:00 am	East worship, <u>communion</u> /coffee

## COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

<b>May 27 (Mon.):</b> -----		<b><u>OFFICE CLOSED</u></b> – Memorial Day
	8:15 am	WEST Memorial Day service, by the Hayfield Legion
<b>May 28 (Tue.):</b>	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch

**May 30 (Thu.): >>>>>**

**NEWSLETTER DAY at office**

*(9:10-print, 9:30-fold, 9:40-collate)*

9am-Noon

Pastor at office

**May 31 (Fri.): -----**

Pastor's day off-work

**JUNE 2024**

Regular services: East 8:30 am / West 10:00 am

JOINT SERVICE outdoors June 16 at EAST at 10:00am

### **TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

**East Prayers:** Kathy B., Orillie Iverson, Mary Madson, Jerry Nelson, Kaysie Peterson, Scott Kittleson (*son-in-law of Paul Jordan*), Cody Hegna, Alan Hovey, Jean (*Sandy Dahle's daughter*), Dawn Hugeback, Debra Moekel (*daughter of Audrey Carlson*), Keith Roeder (*son-in-law of Paul Jordan*), Dalton Mansfield (*in military*), John (*cousin of Pat Nelson*), Sylvia Torstenson, Heidi Guenius (*cousin of Becky Brakke*), and John Heydt (*brother of Pat Nelson*).

### **CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

**PASTOR Paul Thompson:** *(Please call before driving to office)*

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9:00 am-Noon... OR by appointment (*Day off-work is Friday*)

**SECRETARY: Gina Moser:** *(Please call before driving to office)*

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**Emails:** eastwest@kmtel.com AND certainty@kmtel.com

Send all emails for Gina to both of her email addresses.

**Office Hours:** Tues. & Thursdays 10:00 am-Noon

**OUR WEBSITES:** eaststolaf.org OR weststolaf.org

**JANITORIAL SERVICE:** Becky Wilbourne 507-923-5845

### **COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION:**

President, Bruce Peterson: 507-254-1822

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