

East St. Olaf Lutheran Church

6200 County Road 3 SW – Byron, MN

May 3, 2026: Fifth 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.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR MAY

WEST: EARLY at 8:30 am for May (coffee 9:30 am)

JAM at 9:30 am at West (*last day May 10, with year-end bowling party at Mony's 10:30am-12:30 pm*).

EAST: LATE at 10:30 am for May (coffee follows)



THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

Note: Anyone interested may join Altar Guild

Altar Guild: May. – Dawn Evjen

Deacon: May. – Terry Zieman

Reader: May 3 – Mary Madson

Acolytes: Ushers cover, if no acolyte listed

Coffee Servers: 1st Sun. – Quilting Sisters

READINGS: May 03, 2026 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

INTRODUCTION: *As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ – our way, our truth, our life.*

FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60: *Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute*

food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.

PSALM: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10: *Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.*

GOSPEL: John 14:1-14: *On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.*

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

EAST ST. OLAF CELEBRATES MOTHER'S DAY - MAY 10



East St. Olaf Mother's Day Sunday Dinner
May 10: 10:30 am Service, 11:30 am Lunch.
TATOR TOT HOTDISH
SALADS, DESSERTS
Meal served by the Men's Club

YEAR-END BOWLING PARTY: JAM & LUTHER LEAGUE!



The last day of JAM will be May 10. We will have a bowling party at Uncle Mony's from 10:30am-12:30pm. Both JAM kids and Luther League teens are invited to attend!

Joint Service at EAST: St. Olaf Parish Celebrating 170 Years!



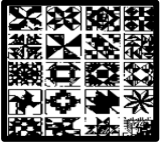
Sunday, June 14, 2026 at East St. Olaf
10:00 am: JOINT Worship service at East
11:00 am: Fellowship, Music and Tverberg
Cabin Walk-Throughs

EAST ST. OLAF CELEBRATING FATHER'S DAY - JUNE 21



8:30 am EAST Worship service,
Then 9:30 am Brunch
Egg Bakes, Fruit, Muffins

QUILT SHOW AT EAST ST. OLAF!



July 11, 2026

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Refreshments will be available.

Save the date, more details to come.

WILLING TO READ SCRIPTURES?

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

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	WEST worship, <u>Communion</u> and <i>Baptism of Zoey Lucille Kruse</i>
	9:30 am	JAM at West, <i>also West coffee</i>
	10:30 am	EAST worship, <u>Communion</u> <i>East coffee after church</i>
Monday:	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Tuesday:	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
	Noon	<u>East Circle 4 Meeting-bring lunch</u> <i>(treats will be provided)</i>
	6:00 pm	<u>EAST church council meeting</u>
Wednesday:	7:00 pm	BOTH: Confirmation at WEST
Thursday:	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Friday:	_____	Pastor's day off-work
Saturday:	10:00 am	<u>East Women's meeting in church</u> <u>basement – for all East women</u>
Sun. 05/10	8:30 am	WEST worship
	9:30 am	<u>JAM – last day, also West coffee</u>
	<u>10:30 am-12:30 pm</u>	<u>YEAR-END BOWLING PARTY</u> <u>for all JAM kids & Luther League</u>
	10:30 am	EAST worship
	<u>11:30 am</u>	<u>EAST MOTHER'S DAY DINNER</u> <u>with East men serving the meal</u>

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

- May 11 (Mon.):** 9am-Noon Pastor at office
7:00 pm WEST church council meeting
- May 12 (Tue.):** 10:00 am East quilting/sack lunch
- May 14 (Thur.):** 9am-Noon Pastor at office
- May 15 (Fri.):** _____ Pastor's day off-work
- May 17: (Sun.)** 8:30 am WEST worship, Communion
9:30 am *West coffee*
10:30 am EAST worship, Communion
- May 18 (Mon.):** 9am-Noon Pastor at office
- May 19 (Tue.):** 10:00 am East quilting/sack lunch
7:00 pm **DEADLINE to submit info for the combined June/July newsletter**

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

East Prayers: Jim Olson (*friend of Carlsons*), Linda K., (*friend of Pat Nelson*), Keith Roeder (*friend of Audrey Carlson*), Salem (*cousin of Keaton DeCook*), Todd Pyfferoen, Kathy B., 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*).

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