

# Newsletter

A NEWSLETTER FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF ELMHURST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Check out our livestream at 10:30 AM every  
Sunday!



[youtube.com/elmhurstpresbyterianchurch](https://youtube.com/elmhurstpresbyterianchurch)

We'd love to see you!

## PASTOR'S + CORNER

REV. TRACI SMITH



The use of plastic eggs — called “resurrection eggs” — has become a common tool for telling the story of Jesus’ life. I chose to do this by using four symbols for his life, four symbols for his death, and four for his resurrection.

There are some ideas that are perfect and wonderful in their conception but terrible in their execution. For me, the different variations of “Resurrection Eggs” floating around are examples of this. The idea is great — use twelve plastic Easter eggs, fill them with tiny symbols of the Easter story and open them, one at a time, to tell the story.

Here are the symbols I chose along with the corresponding scriptures.



### Symbols of Jesus’ Life

- Water - Matthew 3:16-17
- Bread - John 6:35
- Towel - John 13:4-5
- Fish - Luke 5:4-6

### Symbols of Jesus’ Death

- Candle - Luke 23:44-46
- Spices - John 19:39
- Linen Cloth- John 19:40
- Rock - Matthew 27:59-60

### Symbols of Jesus’ Resurrection

- Sunrise - Mark 16:2
- Garden - John 20:11-18
- Jesus’ Head Cloth - John 20:6-7
- Empty Tomb - Luke 24: 2-3

Blessed Lent and Easter to you,

Pastor Traci



Pastor Traci is starting a live video podcast called *EPC Live!*

Coming  
soon!

Featuring guests from our own congregation and community talking about various topics including outreach, service, big dreams and the Holy Spirit.

It’ll stream live to our YouTube and Facebook pages.

Stay tuned for our first episode!

# UPCOMING»

## EVENTS

### HAPPENING THIS SPRING »»»

Pastor's Bible Study

Wednesdays 12-1 PM

What does the text say?  
What does it mean?  
How does it call us to live?

Drop in when you can! [bit.ly/EPCZoom](https://bit.ly/EPCZoom)

Come as you are to our Pastor's Bible Study! Even if it's last minute, you're on break, or walking and just want to listen!

Wed.  
12-1 PM

**ATTENTION:** Bible Study will be **cancelled** starting March 23rd through April 6th. It will restart again Wednesday, April 13th.



PRIDE!  
2022

Save the date for June 25th as we celebrate Pride at EPC! All are invited for a day of fun as local vendors provide art projects, live music, tattoos, bouncy castle, and food.



April  
10-16

### Holy Week

Holy Week SCHEDULE	
April 10 - Palm Sunday	10:30 AM Worship
April 14 - Maundy Thursday	7PM Worship Service
April 15 - Good Friday	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 12-1 PM
April 17 - Easter Sunday	10:30 AM Worship

Join us as we celebrate Holy Week this year at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church.

We will have multiple services throughout the week, ending with Easter Sunday.

Check out our schedule for specific times.

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April  
17

### Easter Sunday



Join us either in-person or via livestream as we come together and worship this Easter Sunday!



Stay afterwards for an **Easter Egg Hunt** for the kids on the lawn by the garden! May be moved indoors if the weather is bad.

Ages 0-13



\*Baskets will be provided\*



April  
24

### All Church Future Visioning



Join us from 9 am - 3 pm for a day of discussion and excitement around the future mission, vision and direction of EPC!

This event will be facilitated by Dr. Eric Sanders, professor of Organizational Development at Elmhurst University and his colleagues.



Lunch will be provided. Come one, come all!

### EASTER FLOWERS

Due to supply chain issues we are ordering an assortment of lilies, tulips, hyacinths and daffodils that will be available for purchase on Easter Sunday.

If you would like to purchase or reserve a plant for **\$20** on Easter Sunday, please contact the church or write your name on an envelope marked "Cristi/ Paula." These envelopes will be available on the lectern Easter morning.

We'll make sure your donation is credited to you and also towards our Easter flower project. If you don't take your flowers home, the remaining will be donated to our EPC friends or church garden.

Thank you for your flexibility and understanding. Thank you, also, to our Worship Committee who will create our beautiful Easter display.

Paula Reckley

### EPC ALL-CHURCH FUTURE VISIONING EVENT

