

Edison Park Lutheran Church
6626 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago, IL 60631
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Church office: 773-631-9131

What's Our Mission?

To be a people living, loving and serving as Jesus did...so that all may know Him.

January 10 - 11, 2026



“And when Jesus was baptized..behold, the heavens were opened and he saw the spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting on him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

Readings for January 10-11

Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17




Coffee Hour - Join us for coffee hour Sundays at 10:00 am in the North Hall. We need people to host coffee hours. It doesn't need to be anything fancy. The church provides the coffee, tea and juice. The host would provide coffee cake or cookies. It would require arriving early on Sunday morning to set the food out, and cleaning up afterward. After the coffee hour, we'd also ask that a plate be brought up to the Atrium for the 11:00 worshippers to enjoy following that service. There is a sign up board in the North Hall, or you can call the office. Thank you to Lorene and Cindy who have been handling this for several years, and thank you to those who have hosted coffee hours.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to order altar (set for \$46), pulpit or baptismal flowers (\$28), please email Christine or sign up at the welcome desk. We ask for one week's notice.



Suggestions: If you have a suggestion for a charitable or church community event, please send an email to Cathy Johnson of the Growth team at Wacom318@hotmail.com to help organize the details.

 **Exercise Class:** Attention ages 55 and up! Every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:25am. Questions, please contact Gary Duszak at 8bocks45car9@sbcglobal.net

EPLC 100th Anniversary - a committee is being formed to celebrate EPLC's 100th Anniversary in 2027. If interested please contact the church office.

Poinsettias - Poinsettias used to decorate the church for Christmas are now available for anyone to take home. Please help yourself!



Easter Breakfast Volunteers - Looking for volunteers to help prepare and serve an Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 5th at 10:00 am.. If interested, please add your contact information to the sign-up sheet on the Welcome desk.





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LENT SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 18

Ash Wednesday (Imposition of ashes)

12pm Service Followed By Soup Lunch
5:45pm Soup Dinner Followed By
7pm Service

WEDNESDAYS
FEBRUARY 25
- MARCH 25

Weekly Lenten Services

12pm Service Followed By Soup Lunch
5:45pm Soup Dinner Followed By
7pm Service

SATURDAY &
SUNDAY
MARCH 28-29

Palm Sunday

Saturday 5pm Service
Sunday 9am Service
11am Service

THURSDAY
APRIL 2

Maundy Thursday

12pm Service & 7pm Service

FRIDAY
APRIL 3

Good Friday

12pm Service & 7pm Service

SUNDAY
APRIL 5

Easter Services

Sunday Sunrise (6:27am), 9am & 11am

Lent 2026

Stone Soup Gatherings

We will gather again on Wednesdays to journey the 2026 Lenten season together. Soup lunches and suppers are back due to popularity! Invite family and friends for some great soups and fellowship. This can't be done alone!

Sundays during coffee hour is the perfect time to drop off any contributions labeled "Stone Soup" to the kitchen fridge or center countertop table.

We meet on Tuesdays to prepare soups for Wednesday lunch and dinner. Ingredients on hand will be used as much as possible. Anyone is welcome to join the fun chopping vegetables and stirring the pot! Let's see what fantastic soups we can create together! Men are welcome too! Table set up will be done on Tuesdays too.

Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 pm
Time commitment is 1.5 -2 hours.

Sign up sheets in Welcome center & main kitchen or call church office- 773.631.9131



RSVP Cindy Davies
cindydavies@sbcglobal.net
Text: 773.520.4372

Requesting Contributions before noon Tuesdays

2 soups are made each week;
one is always vegetarian

Suggested food items to donate:

Carrots 1-2# bag
Celery bunch
Cabbage
Onions (white or yellow);
Leeks
Potatoes (white preferred)
Canned or fresh tomatoes-- ANY type
Fresh parsley or spinach
Squash (any type)
Frozen corn, spinach, any mixed veggies
Dried lentils or split peas
Noodles (smaller size, please!)
Pearl barley or rice
Frozen tortellini or dumplings (any type)
Great Northern or light red kidney beans (canned)
Large boxes soup stock (chicken, beef or vegetable)
Packaged or canned soup mixes
Beef bones, Ham hocks or bones, canned chicken

Soup lunch and supper will be served

Soup lunch follows 12 noon lenten service; Soup supper will be served from 5:45 pm until 6:45 pm and is followed by lenten service at 7 pm

LENTEN SCHEDULE:

Ash Wednesday - Feb 18

February 25

March 4

March 11

March 18

March 25

TUESDAYS: Make/prep soup -OR- set up
Come at 1:00 pm

WEDNESDAYS: Serve soup
Servers arrive 10:30 am or 5:00 pm

Upcoming Events

EPLC Book Club 2026

Second Thursdays @7:30 pm

Upcoming Dates:

Feb 12: The Taster (V.S. Alexander)

**Mar 12: America's First Daughter
(Dray + Kamoie)**

Apr 9: Bloomsbury Girls (Natalie Jenner)

**May 14: Miss Morgan's Book Brigade
(Janet Skeslien Charles)**

**Jun 11: Heaven Adjacent
(Catherine Ryan Hyde)**

**Jul 9: The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell
(Robert Dugoni)**

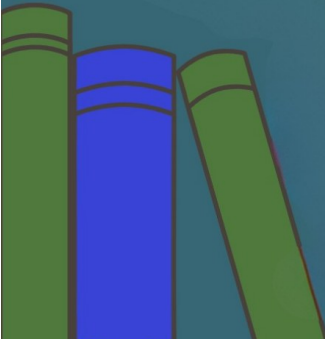
Aug 13: Wild (Cheryl Strayed)

Sep 10: Gray Mountain (John Grisham)

**Oct 8: The Women
(Kristin Hannah)**

**Nov 12: In the Woods
(Tana French)**

**Dec 10: The Lion Women
of Tehran (Marjan Kamali)**



Join us for Bible Study Mondays at 7:00 pm


BIBLE STUDY

Small Group Bible Study
Mondays 7:00 pm

7:00 P.M.

Our purpose is to grow in our faith and God's mission. If you are interested in being part of the group please email Cathy Johnson at Wacom318@hotmail.com.

SMALL GROUP + BIBLE STUDY





EPLC LET'S GO BOWLING

(ONCE A MONTH FROM SEPT 2025 THRU APR 2026)
RIVER RAND 191 S. River Road
on the 4th Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm
beginning in September.
The rate will be \$15.50/per bowler for 3 games
plus \$5 to rent bowling shoes.

2026 dates:
JAN 24, FEB 28, MAR 28, APR 25

Communion Classes - Starting January 11th

First Communion classes will be offered on Sundays at 10:00 - 11:00 am for 4 weeks. Please contact Deacon Carole or the church office if you'd like to have your child participate or if you have any questions.

Join us for Music Rehearsals:

Bell Rehearsals - Tues 5:00 pm - Choir Loft
Choir Rehearsals - Tues 6:15 pm - Choir Room
Youth Choir - Wed, 7:30 - Choir Room

Join us for Confirmation & Sunday School

Confirmation Classes - Wed 6:00 - 7:30p
Sunday School - Sundays 10:00 — 11:00a

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Multiple ways to give:

- Donate during the church service
- Mail your offering
- Use the online option from our website
 - Select the Giving tab for options
 - Give online
 - Direct Deposit
 - Monthly Bill Pay
 - Simply Giving
- Text to 844-651-4932
- Use the QR code (below)



Offering Update:
Year to Date December 2025
Budget \$326,558
Actual \$304,175
Deficit \$(22,383)

THIS WEEK AT EPLC

Saturday, January 10th

8:00a—Men's Ministry Breakfast @ Kappy's restaurant
5:00p - Traditional Worship

Sunday, January 11th

9:00a - Traditional Worship
10:00a - Coffee Hour
10:00a - Sunday School
10:00a - First Communion class
11:00a - Contemporary Worship
1:00p - Hungarian Reformed
5:00p - Boy Scout Troop Leadership Training

Monday, January 12th

6:00p - Boy Scouts
7:00p - Bible Study
7:00p - Families Anonymous
7:00p - AA

Tuesday, January 13th

8:25a - Easy Exercise Group
5:00p - Bell Rehearsal
6:15p - Choir Rehearsal
6:30p - Finance Committee Meeting
7:00p - Church Council Meeting
7:00p - Gamblers Anonymous

Wednesday, January 14th

6:00p - Confirmation
7:30p - Youth Choir

Thursday, January 15th

8:25a - Easy Exercise Group
7:30p - Al-Anon (men)

Friday, January 16th

9:00a - Mission Quilt Makers

Saturday, January 17th

5:00p - Traditional Worship

Sunday, January 18th

9:00a - Traditional Worship
Baptism Dean Lyle Behrns
10:00a - Coffee Hour
10:00a - EPLC Budget Meeting
10:00a - Sunday School
10:00a - First Communion class
11:00a - Contemporary Worship
1:00p - Hungarian Reformed

*Note: Please let Deacon Carole or the office know if you want to add a name to the new 2026 list.



Kala, Margaret, Marlene, Sue, Tim, Tom, Yolanda, Uwe, Benton and family,