

**ELIM COVENANT CHURCH**

**November 16, 2014**

Therefore go

and

make

disciples

of all

nations...

Matthew 28:19



# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

November 16, 2014

"God has a plan for His Church upon earth. But alas! We too often make our plan, and we think that we know what ought to be done. We ask God first to bless our feeble efforts, instead of absolutely refusing to go unless God goes before us."

(Andrew Murray)

## GATHERING BEFORE GOD

*We are invited into the presence of God!*

*\*Please turn your cell phones off\**

*Please sign the register book & pass it on.*

## PRELUDE

## SONGS OF PRAISE

Worship Facilitator

Linda Gilmour

**HYMN #399**

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

**HYMN #57**

*"This Is My Father's World"*

**HYMN #654**

*"Come, You Thankful People, Come"*

*CCLI #2005052*

## HEARING FROM GOD

We give our attention to God by opening our lives to His Word!

We invite God's Spirit to take this Word into our lives that we

might be formed into the image and likeness of Jesus!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ELIM CHOIR**

*"Thanksgiving Medley"*

## MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

*"Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I call to you all day long."*

*(Psalms 86:3)*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

*(Children dismissed for Children's Church, please for ages 3 thru 5th grade only).*

**WORDS FROM GOD**

Ephesians 4:7, 11-16

*Scripture Reader, Jim Carsell*

## RESPONDING TO GOD

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

**MESSAGE**                      **“Identifying the Body”**  
**Pastor Steve Peterson**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

What would you do today or who would you talk to if you weren't afraid? Pray daily for courage. *“For I am the Lord, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, do not fear; I will help you.”*  
*(Isaiah 41:13)*

## **OFFERTORY**

## **OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

### BEING SENT BY GOD

God sends us out into the world that he desperately loves.  
His presence goes with us. We leave as God's agents of grace and mercy.

## **HYMN #276**

*“Spirit of the Living God”*

## **BENEDICTION**

### ***Scripture Reading for the Week***

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Galatians 3:14</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Romans 8:26</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Psalms 57:10</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Hebrews 13:5</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>John 15:8</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Acts 10:43</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Psalms 119:160</i>

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## **TODAY'S GREETERS**

Karen Johnson & Gary Wells

## **HEAD USHER**

Josh Parrott

## **USHERS**

Chris Carsell, Orlin Johnson, Gary Wells

## **SOUND SYSTEM**

Josh Parrott

# **“Identifying the Body”**

## **Ephesians 4:7,11-16**

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Building toward maturity (Eph. 4:7,11-16)
  - a. Grace-filled leaders (cf. Jn. 1:16; Acts 6:8)
  - b. Equipping Christ’s people for works of service (cf. 2 Tim. 2:2; 3:17; Heb. 13:20-21)
  - c. Building the body up (cf. Rom. 14:19; 1 Cor. 14:3-5,12,26; Eph. 4:29)
  - d. Becoming mature (cf. Mt. 5:48; 1 Cor. 1:10; Eph. 5:27; Col. 1:28; James 1:4; 1 Pt. 1:16)
  - e. Not so easily deceived (Jer. 5:30-31; Gal. 5:7-10; 1 Tim. 4:1-2; Ja. 1:6-8)
  - f. Growing and building ourselves up in love (cf. Jn. 15:9-17; 17:23-26; Eph. 3:16-19; Php. 1:9-11; 1 Jn. 2:3-6,10; 3:14-18)
- 3) Making disciples (Mt. 28:18-20)
  - a. Go (or, “as you’re going”) (cf. Mt. 10:5-8; Jn. 17:18; Acts 13:2-3; Rom. 10:14-15)
  - b. Make disciples (cf. Acts 6:7; 14:21-22; 18:23; 2 Tim. 2:2)
  - c. Among all the nations (cf. Isa. 49:6; Acts 1:8; 13:46-48)
  - d. Baptizing them (cf. 1 Cor. 12:12-13; Gal. 3:26-28)
  - e. Teaching them to obey Christ’s commands (cf. Rom. 6:17-18; 1 Jn. 2:3-6; 2 Jn. 1:6)
- 4) God made it plain as day (Micah 6:8)
  - a. Act justly (cf. Isa. 1:16-17; Jer. 22:3; Mal. 3:5; Ja. 1:27)
  - b. Love mercy (cf. Zech. 7:8-10; Mt. 5:7; 9:13; 18:33; Lk. 6:36; 10:25-37; Ja. 2:13; 3:17)
  - c. Walk humbly with your God (cf. Ps. 51:17; Isa. 57:15; Mt. 23:12; Ja. 4:6; 1 Pt. 5:5-6)
- 5) All we need is love (Mk. 12:28-31)
  - a. Love God (cf. Deut. 6:4-5; Josh. 22:5; Eph. 6:24; 1 Jn. 2:5; 3:17; 4:16; 5:3)
  - b. Love others (cf. Rom. 13:8-10; 1 Cor. 16:14; Gal. 5:6,13-14; Ja. 2:8; 1 Jn. 3:14; 4:8)
- 6) Conclusion

## PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

**Praises:**        **The wonderful women's Holiday Tea.**  
Thank you to Cindy Minard, Tasha Munger & Emer Spencer.

**Prayer Concerns:**        **Our Elim shut-ins;**  
**The depression that some may have with the upcoming holiday season.**

### **Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:**

Unspoken needs of our brothers & sisters: Dorothy & Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Anna Swanson, Vivian Smith, Gene & Ellie Wildermuth, Betty Lindberg, Marj Nelson, Jay Stanley, John Hutchison, Travis Ferry, Tabatha Estes, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, the Ferry family, Ruth Armstrong, families who have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

### **Prayer Notes:**

#### **Sunday Prayer Following Worship**



Please feel free to take your burden or praise to one of the Elim Prayer Team members available to pray with you. Team members include: Julie, Linda, Carolyn, Juanita, Dee & Tasha and can be easily found at the back of the sanctuary in the northeast classroom.

#### **Monday Evening Prayer Gathering**



Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. You are encouraged to come and pray with the team members and share your requests/praises.

#### **Prayer Chain**

The prayer network is used when special needs arise during the week. Call Judy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. otherwise call or text Tasha Munger @ (309) 281-8784 with your request. If no answer, you may leave your concern on the answer machine and it will be relayed ASAP.

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**New address for:  
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Thank you to everyone for all of the prayers, thoughts and support to our family in our time of need. It is greatly appreciated.

Love,  
Ferry Family

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## **CANCELATIONS**

*The spaghetti dinner fundraiser scheduled for today has been canceled because the men are no longer making the construction trip to Colorado to help Alex Velasco at this time.*

**JESUS PEOPLE WEEKEND ALSO HAS BEEN CANCELED & WILL BE RESCHEDULED LATER.**



Elim will hold a time of  
worship on Thanksgiving Eve  
Wednesday evening  
November 26<sup>th</sup>  
@  
6:30 p.m.

*(All other Wed. night activities are canceled).*

## ***LOOKING AHEAD***

Sun	Nov. 16	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 11:45 a.m. Collection for Christian Friendliness/Youth Hope
Mon	Nov. 17	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	Nov. 18	6:45 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed	Nov. 19	5:30 p.m. Julie Wells Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 6:00-7:30 pm SPARK & AXIS Youth Group 7:30-9:00pm Fusion (10 <sup>th</sup> grade thru college)
Thur	Nov. 20	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sat	Nov. 22	<u>NO</u> S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting this month or Dec.
Sun	Nov. 23	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Mon	Nov. 24	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	Nov. 25	6:45 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed	Nov. 26	6:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service No Other Wednesday Night Activities Thanksgiving Day---Office Closed
Thur	Nov. 27	
Sun	Nov. 30	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Mon	Dec. 1	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	Dec. 2	6:45 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed	Dec. 3	5:30 p.m. Julie Wells Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 6:00-7:30 p.m. SPARK/AXIS 7:30-9:00p.m. Fusion (10 <sup>th</sup> grade thru college)
Thur	Dec. 4	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study

### *December Birthdays*

2 – Kathy Boggs  
11 – Danielle Ogden  
13 – Adam Hermann  
19 – Elizabeth Smith  
20 – John Wulff  
22 – John Thompson  
30 – Belva VanNorman  
31 – Kristen Burns

### *December Anniversaries*

2 – Gary & Julie Wells  
10 – John & Linda Hutchison  
11 – Gene & Ellie Wildermuth  
31 – Adolph & Dorothy Laurick

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**(309) 764-6920**

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Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 53

Worship = 105

#### **CHILD CARE      THIS WEEK**

Nursery      Mallory Burney & Victoria Fowler  
Children's Church 3-6 yrs      Lori Smith & Thao  
Children's Church 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades      Rachael F. & Elizabeth Smith

#### **NEXT WEEK**

Lori & Elizabeth Smith  
Rachel & L.J. Cunningham  
Natalie H. & Kate S.

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