

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

January 18, 2015

“Create
in me a
clean heart,
O God,
and put a
new and right
spirit
within me.”



Psalm 51:10

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

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"Sacrifice, discipline and prayer are essential. We gain strength through God's word. We receive grace from the sacrament. And when we fumble due to sin - and it's gonna happen - confession puts us back on the field."

(Lou Holtz)

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

Zach Coil

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

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always."

(1 Chronicles 16:11)

INTRODUCTION OF 2015 MLT MEMBERS

ELIM CHOIR

"Beautiful Star of Bethlehem"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

WORDS FROM GOD

Psalm 51:1-17

Scripture Reader, Brandon Dang

MESSAGE “Thriving: Starting With a Clean Heart”
Pastor Steve Peterson

RESPONDING TO GOD

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Wayne & Jeanine Allen

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

NEW MEMBER RECEIVED

Dori Cosgrove

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.

SONG

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Romans 8:3-4</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Deuteronomy 9:11</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Jeremiah 31:31-34</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Hebrews 8:6</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Hebrews 10:19-20</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 3:5-6</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Luke 9:23</i>

TODAY’S GREETERS

Rolland & Joann Potts

HEAD USHER

Gary Wells

USHERS Tom Dang, Mike Hermann, Orlin Johnson & Gary

SOUND SYSTEM

Don Yoeckel

“Thriving: Starting With a Clean Heart”

Psalm 51:1-17

Key verse: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness” (1 Jn. 1:9)

Key thought: Renewal and revival begin with confession, for this is how we are reconciled to God and His curse is removed from us.

1) Intro & Context

2) Living under God's curse (cf. Ps. 32:3-4; 38:1-8; Isa. 59:9-12; Dan. 9:11) “Because of your wrath there is no health in my body; there is no soundness in my bones because of my sin” (Ps. 38:3)

3) Separated from God (cf. Isa. 1:10-15; Ezek. 39:23-24) “But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.” (Isa. 59:2)

4) Confessing our sins (Ps. 51; 38:18; Acts 19:17-20; Ja. 5:16) “Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.” (Pr. 28:18)

5) Truly and completely forgiven! (cf. Ps. 32:1-2,5; 103:11-12; Isa. 1:18; 1 Jn. 1:9) “‘Come now, let us settle the matter,’ says the LORD. ‘Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool’” (Isa. 1:18). “As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us” (Ps. 103:12)

6) Living under God's blessing (cf. Ps. 32:1-2; Isa. 33:17-24) “Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered” (Ps. 32:1)

7) Conclusion

Is sin putting a wedge between you and God? _____

Do you recognize how sin keeps you from thriving? _____

With whom can you confess your sin? _____

Do you understand that you can be forgiven COMPLETELY? _____

PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises:

MLT Members for 2015:

Juanita Arellanos, Mary Bivens, Tom Bivens, Felipe Cantu, Dave Christy, L.J. Cunningham, Rachel Cunningham, Linda Gilmour, Mike Hermann, Dewey Jacks, Karen Johnson, Lori Smith, & Sheila Yoeckel. New member – Dori Cosgrove.

Prayer Concerns: Mary Bivens' mother gravely ill/hospice; Charlie Bess; Claudine Patton; Other Elim shut-ins.

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, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, the Ferry family, 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.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

is set for Sunday, February 1st following worship.

Here is the new address for Phil  – please send a note or card –

AB Estes Phillip A
321 TRS/FLT 117 (Dorm 4D1)
1320 Truemper Street Unit 369610
Lackland AFB, TX 78236-6432



*You may take home your
poinsettia plant – they are in the gathering area.
Protective bags are on the table.*

CHRISTIAN CARE NEEDS

The following is a current list of needs we are collecting for
Christian Care in Rock Island.

Tall kitchen trash bags, Local bus tickets, Toilet paper and
paper towels, Laundry soap, Batteries (especially AA),
Personal tolietries,

Men's underwear (Large & extra large – no socks please).

Items may be placed in the box at the east end of the
gathering area for delivery. See Jane Peterson with ????????

CHRISTIAN FRIENDLINESS/YOUTH HOPE

Is looking for after-school tutors at its Moline center.

Tuesdays+/-or Thursdays from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m., grade school
children needing help with reading and math. Contact Barb at
762-6297 for further details or see Jane Peterson.

MLT Mini-Retreat Sat. Feb. 7th @ 8:00am-noon.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

We are in need of helpers for the nursery during the
Wednesday night youth group times
(2-3 babies at the most). If you can help out please
see Victoria Fowler.

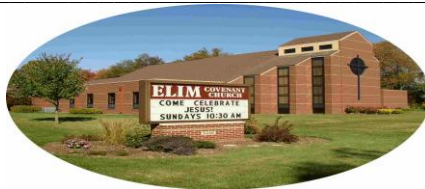
MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR TRIVIA

There will be Trivia night fundraiser for the Taylor family of Davenport who lost their house and belongings in a fire recently. The benefit will take place at Elim on Saturday, January 31st @ 5:30 p.m.
See Sara Padilla with any questions.



S.P.L.A.S.H. MINIRETREAT

OK ladies.....get ready.....sign-up!!
"Clear the Stage" is about to commence!!!
That's the theme of the next
S.P.L.A.S.H. mini retreat taking place on
Saturday, Jan. 24th @ 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Please bring a sack lunch.
There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area.



**BEAUTIFUL CHURCHES DON'T JUST HAPPEN!
CLEANING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!**

We have sign-up sheets in the gathering area for cleaning crews...but we need members to sign-up to help keep our church clean and beautiful! Please sign-up for a task-the rewards are great & it's a good thing!
Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun	Jan. 18	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 11:45 a.m. Collection for Christian Friendliness/Youth Hope 1:00-3:00pm CIU – Thompson Family
Mon	Jan. 19	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	Jan. 20	6:45 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed	Jan. 21	5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 5:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 6:00 p.m. SPARK & AXIS 7:30 p.m. Fusion
Thur	Jan. 22	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sat	Jan. 24	9:00a-2:00pm S.P.L.A.S.H. Women’s Mini-Retreat
Sun	Jan. 25	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Mon	Jan. 26	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	Jan. 27	6:45 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed	Jan. 28	5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 5:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 6:00 p.m. SPARK & AXIS 7:30 p.m. Fusion
Thur	Jan. 29	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sat	Jan. 31	5:30 p.m. Trivia Fundraiser for the Taylor Family
Sun	Feb. 1	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 11:45 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting
Mon	Feb. 2	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	Feb. 3	6:45 p.m. Choir Practice

January Birthdays

19 – Karter Thompson
21 – Jordan Pirmann
21 – Dale Gilmour
23 – Gene Wildermuth
27 – Pastor Darren Olson

January Anniversaries

28 – Kathy & Donald Boggs

CIU – means Church In Use
(309) 764-6920

Church office office@elimqc.org

Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 42 Worship = 121

CHILD CARE THIS WEEK

Nursery Karen Johnson & Judy Martel
Children’s Church 3-6 yrs Rachel Cunningham
Children’s Church 2nd-5th grades Rachel Cunningham
Pastor’s e-mail pastor@elimqc.org
Church office e-mail office@elimqc.org

NEXT WEEK

Cheryl Bear & Juanita Arellanos
Rachel Cunningham
Rachel Cunningham
Greg’s e-mail youth@elimqc.org
Website elimqc.org