

in the name of the Lord!"

WORSHIP CELEBRATION Palm Sunday, March 29, 2015

"...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.." ~ Hebrews 12:1b-2a ~

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

We are invited into the presence of God! *Please turn your cell phones off* <u>Please sign the register book & pass it on.</u>

PRELUDE

PALM ENTRANCE

"At the Cross"

Pastor Steve Peterson & Mary Bivens

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"Do everything in love." (1 Corinthians 16:14)

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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!

unTANGLED EASTER MESSAGE

"Glorious Day" "Our God is Greater" HYMN # 235 "The Old Rugged Cross" HYMN #258 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" "Made Alive"

RESPONDING TO GOD

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday 1 Corinthians 15:21-22 Romans 5:17 Galatians 6:15 2 Corinthians 5:17 Ephesians 1:3 Ephesians 1:18 Colossians 1:28

TODAY'S GREETERSMaxine Barnes & Tasha MungerHEAD USHERGary WellsUSHERSFelipe Cantu, Sandy Parrott, Tom DangSOUND SYSTEMJosh Parrott

"unTangled"

- **Key Thought:** We're tangled up in sin; only Jesus can set us free.
- **Key Text:** "....let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." (Hebrews 12:1b-2a)
 - We can't control sin

 a. Romans 7:14-20
 b. Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75
 - 2. Rules can't save us a. Romans 7:7-13
 - b. Luke 23:1-23
 - 3. There is no such thing as "good enough"
 - a. Romans 7:21-25
 - b. Luke 23:26-46
 - 4. Our only hope is Jesus
 - a. Romans 8:1-4, 14-17
 - b. Luke 24:1-12, 36-48

Questions for Reflection:

Are you trying to "handle" your own sin?

Do you try to be good enough or compare your sin to others?

How would your life look different if you completely put your hope in Jesus?

PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: Elim children & their teachers!!!! Palm Sunday/Easter Season; Christ died for our sins.

Prayer Concerns: Spring tornadoes; Those who are sick; Safe travels for families on spring break this week.

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, Dillon, the Ferry family, families who have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns. Praver Notes:

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

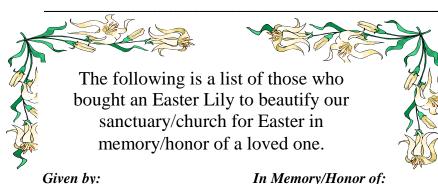
Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. You are encouraged to come and pray with the team members and share your requests/praises.

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.



There will be a Good Friday service @ Elim on Friday, April 3rd @ 6:30 p.m.



Katie Clarke Pat Hudson **Bill & Cindy Minard** Jim & Danielle Ogden **Rodney & Judy Ouderkirk**

Claudine Patton Marilvn Smith Don & Sheila Yoeckel

In Memory/Honor of:

Bob Parents & Tom **Shirley Anderson** Loved ones Loving son Tommy & Parents **Charley Bess Bill & Brad Smith** Harold Nelsen



The youth of Elim are once again inviting the congregation and friends to an Easter Pancake Breakfast. The event will begin on Easter Sunday, April 5th @ 9:00 a.m. and stopping right before worship time @ 10:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome and donations will be accepted.



Bring the children to our Easter Egg Hunt!! We will have an Easter Egg hunt right after worshop on Sunday, April 5th. We are asking for donations of non-chocolate candies, indivially wrapped (if possible) that we can put into the eggs for hiding. You may put your donations on the table in the gathering area.



We once again have breads/baked goods items for sale in the gathering area. Jane Peterson does a wonderful job providing a variety of tasty baked goods for us to purchase. The profits for this effort goes to the Calvary International Church in Rock Island. Thank you for your support!



"Girls Just Wanna <u>Share</u> Fun" 6th Annual Girls Night Out Elim Covenant Church Friday, April 17th, 2015 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Free Admission ~ Silent Auction Fundraiser ~ Lots of New Attractions ~ Pamper yourself with great company and lots of snacks! Bring your friends, neighbors, co-workers and anyone needing a little time for themselves! Please feel free to come and go as you please!!!

LOOKING AHEAD			
Sun	March 29		Sunday School/Confirmation
			Palm Sunday Worship Celebration
Mon	March 30		Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	March 31		Choir Practice
Wed	April 1		Dollar Dinner
	F	-	Women's Bible Study
			SPARK & AXIS
		7:30 p.m.	
Thur	April 2	-	Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Fri	April 3		Good Friday Service
Sat	April 4	-	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Sun	April 5	9:00-10:15am	Easter Pancake Breakfast
	•	10:30 a.m.	Easter Worship Celebration
		12 noon	Kid's Easter Egg Hunt
Mon	April 6	5:30 p.m.	Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	April 7		Choir Practice
Wed	April 8	5:30 p.m.	Dollar Dinner
	-	5:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
		6:00 p.m.	SPARK & AXIS
		7:30 p.m.	
Thur	April 9	9:00 a.m.	Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sun	April 12		Sunday School/Confirmation
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration
Mon	April 13		Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	April 14		MLT Meeting
			Choir Practice
Wed	April 15	-	Dollar Dinner
			Women's Bible Study
			SPARK & AXIS
7:30 p.m Fusion			
<u>April Birthdays</u>			<u>March Anniversaries</u> 29 – Jon & Tabatha Estes
7 – Burnie Sutter			April Anniversaries
8 – Dee Pritchard			7 – Rodney & Judy Ouderkirk
9 – Tucker Burney			8 – Pastor Steve & Elizabeth Peterson
9 – L.J. Cunningham 11 – Linda Hutchison			11 – Lyle & Maurine Beresford
15 – Greg Burney			CIU – means Church In Use
17 – Greg Burney 17 – Jayvan Fowler			(309) 764-6920
18 – Cindy Minard			Church office <u>office@elimqc.org</u>
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Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 50 Worship = 130CHILD CARETHIS WEEKNEXT WEEKNurseryMeagan Bear & Judy MartelVictoria Fowler & Rachel LuongChildren's Church 3-6 yrsEaster Kids SundayKristen Burns & Megan DeArmondChildren's Church 2nd-5th gradesEaster Kids SundayElizabeth Peterson & Mariah DeA.