ELIM COVENANT CHURCH May 10, 2015





FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN

Happy Mother's Day

A gracious woman retaineth honour.
Proverbs 11:16

WORSHIP CELEBRATION May 10, 2015

"The church is not a theological classroom. It is a conversion, confession, repentance, reconciliation, forgiveness and sanctification center, where flawed people place their faith in Christ, gather to know and love him better, and learn to love others as he designed."

~ Paul David Tripp ~

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 Greg Burne

Greg Burney Worship Facilitator

"10,000 Reasons"
"How Great Thou Art"

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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble."
(James 4:6)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

WORDS FROM GOD

Ephesians 2:11-22

Scripture Reader, Gary Wells (Pages 1157 or 1225 in the red Bibles)

MESSAGE "Supernatural Reconciliation" 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

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.

SONG "The Stand"

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday 2 Corinthians 3:12-13

Monday Isaiah 6:8-9 Tuesday Joel 3:17

Wednesday Genesis 1:26

Thursday 2 Corinthians 4:1 Friday Proverbs 27:1

Saturday Galatians 4:22-5:1

TODAY'S GREETERS HEAD USHER USHERS SOUND SYSTEM Rebecca & Kate Schaechter Mike Hermann Chris Carsell, Jim Nelson, Zach Stulir Don Yoeckel

"Supernatural Reconciliation" Ephesians 2:11-22

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Two groups divided (vv. 11-12)
 - a. Circumcision group (Jewish converts)
 - b. Uncircumcised (Gentile believers)
 - c. Historical context
 - d. Our context today
- 3) Christ brought them together (vv. 13-18)
 - a. Christ is our peace (v. 14a) (cf. Lk. 2:14; Col. 1:20)
 - b. He destroyed their mutual hostility (v. 14b) (cf. 1 Cor. 12:13)
 - c. He abolished the law through His sacrifice (v. 15a) (Col. 2:14; Heb. 10:1-18)
 - d. His purpose: One man out of the two (v. 15b) (cf. 1 Cor. 12:12-27; Gal. 3:27-29)
 - e. Reconciled through the cross (v. 16) (2 Cor. 5:18-20; Col. 1:19-22)
 - f. Created access to the Father for both (v. 18a) (Eph. 3:12; Heb. 4:14-16)
 - g. United through the one Spirit (v. 18b) (1 Cor. 12:13; Eph. 4:4)
 - h. Made fellow citizens (vv. 19a) (cf. Php. 3:20)
- 4) God's dwelling place (19b-22)
 - a. Members together of God's household (v. 19b) (1 Tim. 3:15)
 - b. Foundation is apostles & prophets (v. 20a) (Mt. 16:18;1 Cor. 3:10; Eph. 4:11-12; Rev. 12:14)
 - c. Christ himself is the cornerstone (v. 20b) (Ps. 118:22; Isa. 28:16; Acts 4:11; 1 Pt 2:4-8)
 - d. Rising together to become a holy temple (v. 21) (1 Cor. 3:16; 6:19; 2 Cor. 6:16)
 - e. God lives in you through His Spirit (v. 22) (Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 3:16)
- 5) Conclusion

PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: Mothers!!

Armed Forces Day - May 16th - praise & thank you to our service men & women.

Prayer Concerns: Rick Arellanos in hospital.

Tornado season; Nepal.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Unspoken needs of our brothers & sisters: Arlene Miller, Dorothy & Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Anna Swanson, Vivian Smith, Marj Nelson, Gene & Ellie Wildermuth, Jay Stanley, John Hutchison, Travis Ferry, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Sonnie Anderson, Quinton Ford, Bob & Cindy Behrens, the Ferry family, families who have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

Prayer 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, & 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.



On behalf of the Mission Team we would like to thank everyone for helping with the Cinco DeMayo taco dinner. Also, thanks to everyone for attending – you all made it a huge success. Juanita Arellanos



Sign up now for food, fun and fellowship with our Elim family. This is for everyone and everyone this is for you. This will be great if all participate. We did this a number of years ago and today there are still long lasting friendships as a result of these groups. This is for individuals and families. The groups will be intentionally organized for you to be with someone you might not know very well as of now,

but that is where the fun begins. The goal is to meet three times between May 1 and August 31. There is no limit to what you can do as a group; cookout, bowling, miniature golfing, fishing, boating, a ball game, a movie, game night, travel, museum, the zoo, go to Iowa.

You are only limited by your own imagination.

Sign-up sheet is in the gathering area.



MLT Mini-Retreat

Thursday, May 14th @ 5:30 p.m.



S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting Sat. May 23rd 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.



Fundraiser to support the students attending missions camp this summer!

Concessions will be sold - Feel free to bring dinner with you!

Doors will open at 5:00 PM.

\$10 Per Person - Sign up your table today!



Organize a new/used book donation drive. We will need 100's of children's books, some to be given at the end of school but most given away at the midsummer book party. K-6 grade books will be needed. Please donate only books in good shape, clean & unmarked.

Help us financially. We anticipate the 1st five books we give to each student, (as funds allow) to be new books & additional items from Scholastic. We anticipate that books, bags, book party items, and promotion to cost around \$25 per student for the summer. Estimated costs for 80-120 students will be \$2,000-\$3,000. Checks may be made out to "The Love-Hope Project" 3900 18th Ave. Rock Island, IL. 61201.

<u>Volunteer.</u> We will nedd assistance at the mid-summer book party in order to read with the students & cheer for them!

Contact Pastor Dwayne Brothers dwayne@love-hope.org (309) 314-3672



We are all invited to celebrate the high school graduation of Thao Luong. Refreshments will be served by the family following worship on Sunday, June 7th.

(Note the date change – not on May 17th).

LOOKING AHEAD

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| Sun | May 10 | | Mother's Day |
| | | 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School/Confirmation |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| Mon | May 11 | 5:30 p.m. | Prayer Team Gathering |
| Tue | May 12 | 6:30 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| Wed | May 13 | 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 | May 14 | 9:00 a.m. | Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | MLT Mini Retreat |
| Sat | May 16 | 5:00 p.m. | Triva Fundraiser for Student Mission Camp |
| Sun | May 17 | 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School/Confirmation |
| | | 10:30 p.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| | | 11:45 a.m. | Collection for CF/Youth Hope |
| Mon | May 18 | 5:30 p.m. | Prayer Team Gathering |
| Tue | May 19 | 6:30 p.m. | CIU – YMCA Pre School Graduation |
| Wed | May 20 | 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 | May 21 | 9:00 a.m. | Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study |
| Sat | May 23 | 9:00-11:00am | S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting |
| Sun | May 24 | 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School/Confirmation |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| Mon | May 25 | | Memorial Day - Church Office Closed |
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13 – Lorraine Carsell 15 – Margo Coil 16 – Juanita Arellanos 16 – Meagan Bear 17 – Dave Christy 20 – David Luong 20 – Martha Peterson 22 – Bill Minard 28 – Jim Ogden 29 – Jay Stanley

30 - Kate Schaechter

No May Anniversaries

CIU – means Church In Use (309) 764-6920 Church office <u>office@elimqc.org</u>

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Church website elimqc.org
Pastor's e-mail pastor@elimqc.org
Greg's e-mail youth@elimqc.org

Happy Mother's Day!!

Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 50 Worship = 132 Mowing Schedule

May 16 John Clarke & Cecil Grimes May 23 Jim Nelson & Mike Hermann CHILD CARE TODAY MAY 10 NEXT WEEK MAY 17
Nursery Carol Jacks & Diana Wood Lori Smith & Meagan Bear Children's Church 3-6 yrs Kristen B. & Michelle DeArmond Mary Bivens & Rachel Luong Children's Church 2nd-5th grades Elizabeth Peterson & Mariah DeArmond (4 weeks)