

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
May 24, 2015



The
righteous
live by their faith.

HABAKKUK 2:4, NRSV

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

May 24, 2015

“Define yourself radically as one beloved by God.
This is the true self. Every other identity is illusion.”

~ Brennan Manning ~

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 Burney Worship Facilitator

“Thrive”

“Your Great Name”

“Be Thou My Vision”

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 5th grade only).

WORDS FROM GOD

Ephesians 3:14-21

Scripture Reader, Tasha Munger

(Pages 1158 or 1226 in the red Bibles)

MESSAGE

**“The Power of Love In Us”
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

“Revelation Song”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 4:11</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 4:12</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 4:16</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 4:17</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 4:18</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Romans 6:14</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Deuteronomy 10:12-13</i>

TODAY’S GREETERS

Rodney & Judy Ouderkirk

HEAD USHER

Mike Hermann

USHERS

Chris Carsell, Jim Nelson, Zach Stulir

SOUND SYSTEM

Don Yoeckel

“The Power of Love In Us”

Ephesians 3:14-21

Key Text: “And to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God” (Eph. 3:19)

Key Thought: The ultimate prayer: That the power of God’s love would be in us.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Paul’s pentecostal prayer (v. 16) (cf. Ezek. 37; Acts 2)
 - a. “strengthen you” (cf. Php. 4:11-13; Isa. 40:31)
 - b. “with power” (cf. Eph. 1:19-20; Col. 1:29; 2 Tim. 1:7)
 - c. “through His Spirit” (cf. Isa. 32:14-15; Jn. 16:7-15)
 - d. “in your inner being” (cf. Ezek. 36:25-27; Rom. 8:5-11)
- 3) Resulting in... (v. 17a)
 - a. “Christ... in your hearts” (cf. Jn. 14:23; Gal. 2:20; Col. 1:27)
 - b. “Through faith” (cf. Rom. 5:2; Heb. 11:6) *“The righteous shall live by faith”* (Hab. 2:4)
- 4) The power of love (vv. 17b-19a)
 - a. “rooted & established in love” (cf. Deut. 7:12; Jn. 15:9-10; Rom. 8:38-39) *“... [nothing] can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord”* (Rom. 8:39)
 - b. “power... to grasp... the love of Christ” (cf. Ps. 36:5,7; 63:3; 1 Jn. 3:1)
 - c. “surpasses knowledge” (cf. 1 Cor. 8:1b; 13:2)
- 5) Filled full of God (v. 19b) (cf. Jn. 1:16; Eph. 1:23; Col. 2:10)
- 6) Affirming God’s awesome power (v. 20)
 - a. “able” (not “obliged”) (cf. 2 Cor. 9:8; Jude 24; Rom. 16:25) *“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work”* (2 Cor. 9:8)
 - b. “immeasurably more” (cf. 1 Kgs. 3:12-13; Ps. 37:4; Mt. 6:33)
 - c. “his power... within us” (see 2b above)
- 7) Glorifying God (v. 21)
- 8) Conclusion

PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: Don Yoeckel's surgery went well.

Prayer Concerns: Ricardo Arellanos.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

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

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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.

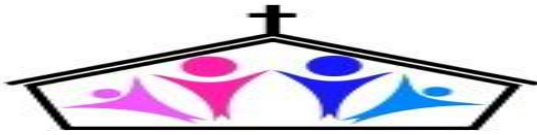
Monday Evening Prayer Gathering

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.



Elim Family Groups

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.



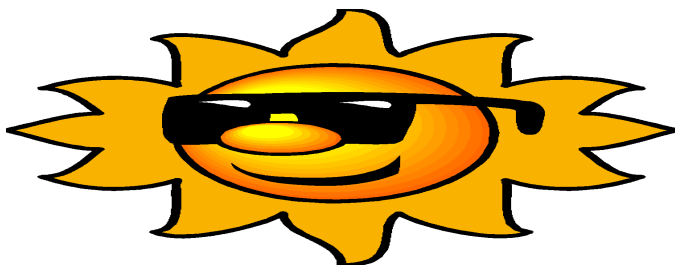
NEW MEMBERS CLASS

We are in the process of planning for a new members class. If anyone is interested - please see Pastor Steve, Mike Hermann or contact the church office @ 764-6920. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area.



KEENAGERS **Potluck** LUNCHEON

The Keenagers potluck will be held at their last spring meeting on May 28th. The meeting will start @ 9:30 with the meal following.



ESM - ALL SUMMER LONG

Our youth groups...SPARK/AXIS & Fusion will continue to meet on Wednesday nights all through the summer.

There will still be Wednesday Dollar Dinners...so we have put out an extended Wednesday night sign-up sheet for baked goods/snacks/treats all summer. Feel free to sign up anytime. Also, tickets are available for the ESM Night Out scheduled June 27th \$10.00 each.



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.

Also on Sunday, June 14th the Parrott family will provide refreshments following worship in honor of Dave's graduation from Geneseo High School.



W.I.L.D. GOLF OUTING

The Western Illinois District golf outing is planned for Monday, June 8th. With the first tee time @ 9:30 a.m. sharp.

It will be held @ Golfmohr Golf Course in East Moline.

The fee is \$45 per person and \$40 for seniors.

There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area.

LOOKING AHEAD

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
Wed	May 27	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 28	9:30 p.m. Keenagers Potluck (last mtg. until September)
Sun	May 31	9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration ~ Confirmation Sunday 11:45 a.m. Refreshments Confirmation Sunday
Mon	June 1	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Wed	June 3	5:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 6:00-8:00pm SPARK & ESM Family Cookout (rain date June 10)
Sat	June 6	8:00 a.m. Men’s Fellowship Breakfast
Sun	June 7	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration/Graduates Recognition 12 noon Refreshments for Thao Luong’s Graduation
Mon	June 8	9:30 a.m. W.I.L.D. Golf Outing @ Golfmohr 5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tue	June 9	5:45 p.m. MLT Meeting
Wed	June 10	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
Fri	June 11	9:30am-noon CIU – QCSAHP Meeting

May Birthdays
28 – Jim Ogden
29 – Jay Stanley
30 – Kate Schaechter

June Anniversaries
13 – Jr. & Cathy Bear
15 – Mike & Natalie Hermann
17 – Dave & Dora Beth Christy
30 – Cecil & Carolyn Grimes

June Birthdays
1 – Mallory Burney
3 – Karen Johnson
3 – June Riley
8 – Scott Fowler
8 – Abigail Peterson
9 – Lyle Beresford

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

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Pastor’s e-mail pastor@elimqc.org
Greg’s e-mail youth@elimqc.org

Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 55

Worship = 136

Mowing Schedule

May 30 Don Yoeckel & Jeff Parrott

June 6 Don Peterson & Ron Baltisberger

CHILD CARE TODAY MAY 24

NEXT WEEK MAY 31

Nursery Victoria Fowler & Elizabeth Smith

Susie Schaechter & Rachel Luong

Children’s Church 3-6 yrs Rachael Ferry & Rachel Peterson Cindy Minard & Elizabeth S.

Children’s Church 2nd-5th grades Elizabeth P. & Mariah DeA.

Rachel C. & Abby P.

Glenn Kaiser in concert July 11th, 2015

Elim Covenant Church

5201 18th Avenue, Moline, IL

Glenn Kaiser has been a musician since the late '60s. In 1971, he joined the group that would later become Resurrection (Rez) Band. Glenn played hard rock with Rez for more than 25 years before setting out on his own to pursue other musical avenues. In 1999 he formed the blues rock trio Glenn Kaiser Band with Roy Montroy and Ed Bialach, but Glenn's musical creativity sometimes steps out of that mold. Glenn's solo career has centered around the blues but he has ventured off into R&B, American roots, and worship.

Glenn is an ordained pastor with the Evangelical Covenant Church. He serves on the pastoral team of the Jesus People U.S.A. Covenant Church (<http://jpusa.org/>). Glenn was one of the original members of JPUSA, which began as an intentional, Christian community back in 1972. They were a small, rag-tag bunch of hippies who had found Jesus. They became a world-renowned Christian community making a deep impact in the neighborhood they live and serve, and through their outreach ministries, their impact has extended throughout the world.

One of their biggest ministries is called Cornerstone Community Outreach (CCO). "What started as simply inviting folks in for a meal became a feeding program. What began as a phone call from a mother looking for housing eventually became a shelter, and now a complex of ministries dedicated to housing and resource services. Working together, ordinary people have been able to accomplish extraordinary things." The proceeds from the concert will benefit CCO.

<http://grrrecords.com/glenn-kaiser>

<http://www.reverbNation.com/glennkaiser>

