

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

November 8, 2015



Colossians 3:16

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

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"The pure, simple and steadfast spirit is not distracted by many labors, for he does them all for the honor of God. And since he enjoys interior peace he seeks no selfish end in anything. What, indeed, gives more trouble and affliction than uncontrolled desires of the heart? Thomas A. Kempis"

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

HYMNS OF PRAISE Mary Bivens Worship Facilitator
Hymn #375 "Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"
Silver Book #132 "Give Me Jesus"

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

Silver Book #114 "Seek First the Kingdom"

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

L.J. Cunningham

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"But I trust in your unfailing love;
my heart rejoices in your salvation." (Psalm 13:5)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

WORDS FROM GOD

Colossians 3:4, 12-17

Scripture Reader, Elizabeth Peterson
(Pages 1235 or 1167 in the red Bibles)

MESSAGE
"Faith & Passion"
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.

HYMN #366

"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Hebrews 11:7</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Hebrews 11:8-10</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Romans 5:17</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Romans 5:20-21</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>1 Timothy 1:12</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>1 Timothy 1:14</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 9:13-14</i>

TODAY'S GREETERS

Rebecca & Kate Schaechter

HEAD USHER

Mike Hermann

USHERS

Chris Carsell, Jim Nelson, Zach Stulir

SOUND SYSTEM

Don Yoeckel

“Faith & Passion”

Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17

Key Text: “... my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly...” (Num. 14:24)

Key Thought: As followers of Christ, we should prayerfully will that God would daily take control of our lives, that He might live His life and do His will through us; this is what a consecrated life looks like.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Caleb’s faith and passion (Num. 14:6-9, 24; Josh. 14:10-14)
 - a. Giants are big, but God is bigger!
 - b. The memory of an elephant!
- 3) When God is with us (Num. 14:9b; 23:21-24 [Balaam’s Oracle & blessing]; Rom. 8:23-39) *“If God is with us, who can be against us?”* (Rom. 8:31b)
- 4) When God is against us (Num. 14:34-37, 40-45; Rom. 1:18-32; 2:5)
- 5) Choose whom you will serve (Josh. 24:15; Lk. 14:25-34)
 - a. Go back to Egypt (Num. 14:3-4; Acts 7:39; Heb. 3:7-19)
 - b. Or go all out, serving God (Mk. 12:28-34; Col. 3:3; Rev. 3:14-22)
- 6) A hymn of consecration

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

By Kate B. Wilkinson

1. May the mind of Christ, my Savior, (Php. 2:5) (cf. Rom. 12:1-2)

Live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling
All I do and say. (Gal. 2:20)

2. May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour, (Col. 3:16) (cf. Ps. 119:97)
So that all may see I triumph (2 Cor. 2:14)
Only through His power. (Php. 4:13)

3. May the love of Jesus fill me, (Eph. 3:18-19)
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing (Mt. 16:24; Jn. 3:30)
This is victory. (1 Jn. 5:2-4)

4. May the peace of God, my Father, (Php. 4:7)
Rule my life in everything. (Col. 3:15)
That I may be calm to comfort (2 Cor. 1:3-4)
Sick and sorrowing. (Mt. 10:8)

5. May I run the race before me (1 Cor. 9:24; Heb. 12:1)
Strong and brave to face the foe, (Eph. 6.10)
Looking only unto Jesus (2 Co. 4:18; Heb. 12:2)
As I onward go.

6. May His beauty rest upon me (Gal. 3:27; 2 Cor. 2:15)
As I seek the lost to win, (Mt. 5:16)
And may they forget the channel (2 Cor. 4:5; Col. 1:27)
Seeing only Him.

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**PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Praises: Religious freedom/Answered prayers/God's grace.**

**Prayer Concerns: Our youth at fall retreat.**

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

Gary Wells, Juna Wortz, Arlene Miller, Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Margaret Hasty,  
Anna Swanson, Vivian Smith, Marj Nelson, Gene & Ellie Wildermuth, Jay & Judie  
Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ruth Armstrong, Joy  
Wright, Travis Ferry, families that 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.**

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# CHRISTIAN CARE'S CURRENT NEEDS

Fresh fruit & potatoes  
Nuts (walnuts, almonds & cashews)  
Garbanzo beans  
Sunflower kernels  
Sugar  
Canned fruit/veggies  
Men's razors  
Vitamin D  
Paper towels/TP  
Deodorant  
Laundry soap  
Windex glass cleaner  
All kinds tape  
Disinfecting wipes

Salad ingredients  
Yogurt, eggs, milk  
Coffee/creamer/tea bags  
Beef broth  
Bus tickets (IL & IA)  
Men's new white socks  
Light Bulbs  
33 Gallon Trash bags  
Bleach/dish soap  
All size re-sealable bags  
Lysol spray  
Cleaning products  
Hydrocortisone

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## CHOCOLATE FANTASY PLANNING MEETING

There will be a short Chocolate Fantasy meeting following worship TODAY, Sunday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>.  
See Cheryl Bear with any questions.

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## "FAITH from OBSCURITY"

Pastor Steve will present a 4 session class on some of the lesser read books of the Bible. The class will be taught on Wednesday nights, from 6:00-7:15 p.m. and repeated on Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:15 p.m.

The first class will be held on  
Wednesday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

We will have a Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> (the "Faith from Obscurity" will be postponed that week, and will continue the following week). Thank you.



Elim will hold a time of  
worship on Thanksgiving Eve  
Wednesday evening  
November 25<sup>th</sup>  
@  
6:30 p.m.

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

## ***LOOKING AHEAD***

|               |                |                                             |                                                   |                                               |
|---------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>Nov. 8</b>  | 9:15 a.m. Sunday School                     | 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service            | 11:45 a.m. Chocolate Fantasy Planning Meeting |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Nov. 9</b>  | 5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering             |                                                   |                                               |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>Nov. 10</b> | 5:30 p.m. MLT Meeting                       | 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice                          |                                               |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Nov. 11</b> | 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner                     | 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study                     | 6:00-7:30 p.m. <i>SPARK &amp; AXIS</i>        |
|               |                | 7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion                       |                                                   |                                               |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Nov. 12</b> | 9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study |                                                   |                                               |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>Nov. 15</b> | 9:15 a.m. Sunday School                     | 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Lead by Elim Youth | 11:45 a.m. Collection for CF/Youth Hope       |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Nov. 16</b> | 5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering             |                                                   |                                               |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>Nov. 17</b> | 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice                    |                                                   |                                               |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Nov. 18</b> | 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner                     | 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study                     | 6:00-7:15 p.m. Faith from Obscurity class     |
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| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Nov. 19</b> | 9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study |                                                   |                                               |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>Nov. 22</b> | 9:15 a.m. Sunday School                     | 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service            | 4:00-5:15 p.m. Faith from Obscurity Class     |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Nov. 23</b> | 5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering             |                                                   |                                               |

**November Birthdays**

8 – JoAnn Nelsen  
 8 – Pam Thompson  
 11 – Tia Sellevold  
 16 – Martin Bear  
 18 – Maurine Beresford  
 18 – Carolyn Carsell  
 26 – Abigail Akpla

**December Birthdays**

2 – Kathy Boggs  
 6 – Leonna Ellis

**December Anniversaries**

2 – Gary & Julie Wells  
 10 – John & Linda Hutchison

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Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 39

Worship = 126

**Mowing Schedule**

Nov. 14 Tom Bivens & Greg Burney

Nov. 21 Chris & Jim Carsell & Joe Schaechter

**CHILD CARE TODAY Nov. 8**

**NEXT WEEK Nov. 15**

Nursery Leonna Ellis, Amanada Dang, (Rachel L.) Carol Jacks, Diana Wood, (Rachel P.)

Jr. Church Dora Beth, (Mary B. & Rachel P.) No Children's Church (leading worship)

There is now only 1 Jr. Church class since we are low on volunteers. Helpers appear in ( ).