

# ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

June 12, 2016



Let your **roots** go down into Christ, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and **you will overflow with thankfulness.**

Colossians 2:7

# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

## June 12, 2016

“The stiff and wooden quality about our religious lives is a result of our lack of holy desire. Complacency is a deadly foe of all spiritual growth. Acute desire must be present or there will be no manifestation of Christ to His people.”

(A.W. Tozer )

### 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 Facilitators

Victoria & Scott Fowler

*“Now That You’re Near”*

*“Draw Me Close”*

*“Faith”*

### 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

Mike Hermann

### MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

“Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn’t do it, sins.” (James 4:17)

### CHILDREN’S SERMON

*(Children dismissed for Children’s Church, please for ages 3 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade only).*

### WORDS FROM GOD

Colossians 2:6-7

*Scripture Reader, Pat Hudson*

(Pages 1234 or 1166 in the red Bibles)

**MESSAGE**  
**“Faith Development”**  
**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**

*“Victory In Jesus”*

**BENEDICTION**

***Scripture Readings for the Week***

|                  |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Sunday</i>    | <i>Psalms 91:1</i>       |
| <i>Monday</i>    | <i>2 Corinthians 1:9</i> |
| <i>Tuesday</i>   | <i>Philippians 4:9</i>   |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | <i>1 John 1:7</i>        |
| <i>Thursday</i>  | <i>Romans 10:9</i>       |
| <i>Friday</i>    | <i>Hebrews 10:36</i>     |
| <i>Saturday</i>  | <i>Psalms 103:11-13</i>  |

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**TODAY'S GREETERS**

Pat Hudson & Karen Johnson

**HEAD USHER**

Don Peterson

**USHERS**

Martin Bear, L.J. Cunningham, Tabatha Estes

**SOUND SYSTEM**

Don Yoeckel

**POWER POINT**

Josh Parrott

# “Faith Development”

## Colossians 2:6-7

**Key Text:** *“... those who receive God’s abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!”*  
(Rom. 5:17)

**Key Thought:** By growing our faith in Christ, our lives flourish; but if we neglect our faith development, we risk much-- even unto eternal consequences.

### 1. Intro & Context

### 2. Instructions for Christian living (short version!) (vv. 6-7)

- (a) Receive Jesus as Lord (cf. Mk. 10:15; Jn. 1:12; 12:48; Acts 2:38)
- (b) Live in Him (cf. Rom. 8:10-11; Gal. 2:20; 1 Pt. 4:2)
- (c) Be rooted in Him (cf. Mt. 13:6,21; Eph. 3:17)
- (d) Be built up in Him (cf. Acts 20:32 [grace builds up]; 1 Cor. 3:11-15; 8:1 [love builds us up]; 14:12 [gifts of Spirit given to church build us up]; 1 Ths. 5:11 [we build each other up thru encouragement]; Jude 1:20 [faith builds us up])
- (e) Grow strong in the faith (thru Christian instruction) (cf. 1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Tim. 1:13; 2:2)
- (f) Overflow with thankfulness (cf. Eph. 5:4 [thankfulness should replace “garbage” talk], 20; 1 Ths. 5:18)

- Conclusion

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- I. Have you received Jesus as your Lord? How sincere is that? Has it been transformative?
- II. Are you deeply rooted in Christ? How strong and healthy is your “root system?” What are you doing to develop it? How “deep” do you go in prayer, and with the Word of God?
- III. What's the advantage of “strengthening your faith?” What do you gain? What do you risk and/or lose by neglecting your faith development?

IV. How thankful are you? Is it prevalent in your mind, heart and lips? Or do the darker thoughts and words prevail? What will you do about this?

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## **PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Praises:**                    **Summer & the beauty of nature!**

**Prayer Concerns:**                    **VBS week!!**

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

Juna Wortz, Arlene Miller, Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Vivian Smith, Marj Nelson, Hilda Enderton, The Wildermuth family, Jay & Judie Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ann Seyller, Belva Van Norman, Pennie Knary, Felipe Cantu, Patrick Henry, families that have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

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***"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us." Ephesians 1:7-8***

### **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 northwest classroom behind the sound system booth.

#### **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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# S.P.L.A.S.H. BAKE SALE TODAY

(Social-Prayerful-Ladies-Always-Seeking-Him)

The next S.P.L.A.S.H. meeting will be Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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## CREATION MUSEUM

Prepare to believe.

“Answers in Genesis is dedicated to upholding the authority of God’s word from the very first verse, especially Genesis 1:11. We’re planning a large group trip to their multi-million dollar museum in Petersburg, KY. Next Memorial Day weekend (2017). Please see Dadid Christy if you are even remotely interested, and block your calendar now!”

## CHRISTIAN CARE’S CURRENT NEEDS

Salad ingredients  
Yogurt, eggs, milk, sliced cheese  
Butter/margarine  
Sugar/Powdered milk  
Breakfast foods  
Beef broth  
Men’s new white t-shirts XL-4X  
Tooth paste/shaving cream  
Deodorant  
Any cleaning products  
Dish soap  
Kitchen Hand /Dish Towels

Fresh fruits/potatoes/veggies  
Canned fruits/veggies  
Coffee/creamer/tea bags  
Salad dressing/Ketchup  
Pork & Beans/Chili beans  
Bus tickets (IL & IA)  
Foot powder  
Gently used cookware/utensils  
Paper towels/toilet paper  
13 & 33 Gallon Trash bags  
Laundry soap



Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.

There is a sign-up sheet.

# TRIVIA Tuesday!

*Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> Doors open @ 11:00 -  
Game starts @ 11:30 a.m. ends @ 2:00 p.m.  
Bring a sack lunch. \$5.00 per person.*

*Fundraiser for  
Elim Kitchen Supplies.  
There is a sign-up sheet.*

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## **TEXT PRAYER CHAIN UPDATE**

If anyone is interested in joining the text prayer chain or the phone prayer chain please call the church office, or call Tasha at home or cell phone #, or send her a text message. Also, if you would like to be removed please contact Tasha. Tasha's home # is 309-797-3886, her cell # is 309-281-8784.

Also, as a reminder – all requests given through the text prayer chain are also placed on the phone prayer chain and vice versa. If you wish to have your request placed only on the text or phone prayer chain please let me know at the time of your request. Thank you, Tasha Munger

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**WEDNESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY WILL NOT MEET DURING  
THE SUMMER MONTHS.**

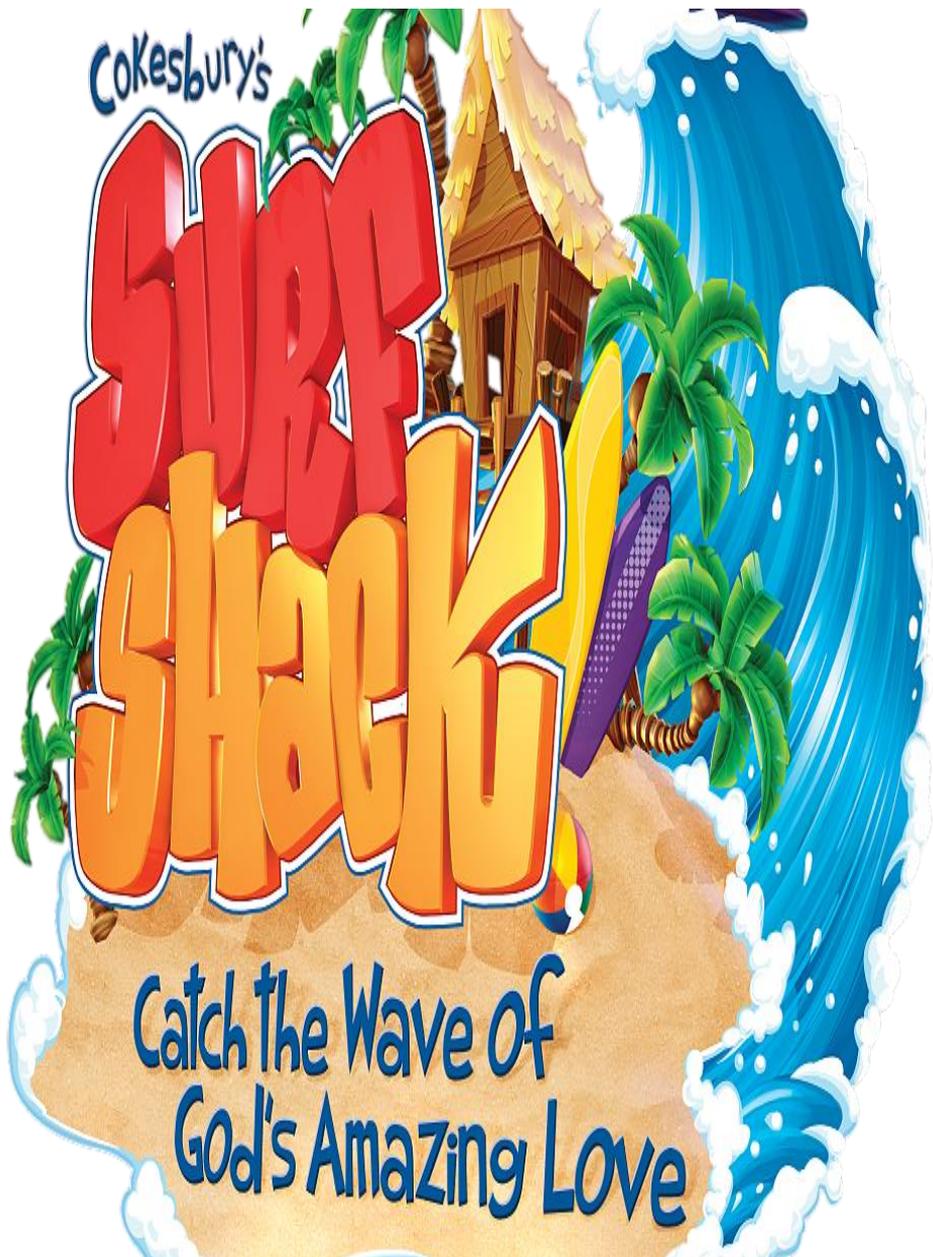
**THEY WILL START BACK UP THE FIRST WEDNESDAY IN SEPTEMBER.**

**ELIM VBS WEEK**  
**JUNE 20-24**

Cokesbury's

**SWIM  
SHACK**

Catch The Wave of  
God's Amazing Love



# JPUSA trip details



**What:** A weekend mission trip to **Jesus People U.S.A. Covenant Church** in the Uptown neighborhood of Chicago. We will experience “from the inside” this unique Christian community, which is a 450 member church that lives together in community.

We will participate in their outreach ministry to the homeless through their Cornerstone Community Outreach center (<http://www.ccolife.org/>). They feed and care for 450 homeless people every day and have services to homeless men, women, children and families.

We’ll be housed on-site in their community. We will also worship with the community members on that Sunday morning.

**When: Friday, Oct. 14 to Sunday, Oct. 16.** We will probably go in two groups, one which will depart at 1pm on Friday from the church, and the other which will depart at 5pm. If you can get off work and/or school early to join us in the first group, you will maximize your experience. We’ll return on Sunday afternoon around 5pm.

**Who:** This trip is open to all ages. We would love to have an inter-generational group go. Kids younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent.

**Cost: \$120/person.** Deadline for sign-up: Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Why: The purposes of this trip are several:

- 1) To step out in faith and grow; it is for our own spiritual growth
- 2) To learn about this wonderful church and help them in their ministry to the homeless in Chicago
- 3) To deepen our bonds of friendship with each other and with one of our sister Covenant churches.

For more information, talk with Pastor Steve (he lived at JPUSA for a total of 17+ months), or go to <http://jesuspeoplemissions.org/>



*"JPUSA is cutting edge—your group will benefit from the opportunity to minister in the awesome streets of Chicago. Experience first-hand what being the hands and feet of Jesus really means. Skip the ski trip—really change your kids' lives!"*

Jim Austin, Youth Pastor

First Covenant Church, Peoria, IL

*"When I got here, I was a pretty judgmental type of person. Always looking on the outside, when I really need to focus on the inside. I love JPUSA... When I go home tomorrow, I'm going to take with me a new mind. I see things really differently now. How I view people and everything. God has taught me so many things. One in particular is to always put all your trust in Him, and rely on Him fully." (Kristin)*

## LOOKING AHEAD

|        |         |                                                                                                                       |
|--------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun.   | June 12 | 9:15 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration<br>11:45 a.m. S.P.L.A.S.H. Bake Sale Fundraiser             |
| Mon.   | June 13 | 5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering<br>6:30 p.m. CIU – RIC Prayer Meeting                                                 |
| Wed.   | June 15 | 7:00 a.m. “Amped” Prayer Gathering<br>5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner<br>6:00-7:30 p.m. SPARK & AXIS<br>7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion |
| Thurs. | June 16 | VBS Prep.                                                                                                             |
| Fri.   | June 17 | VBS Prep                                                                                                              |
| Sat.   | June 18 | VBS Prep                                                                                                              |
| Sun.   | June 19 | 9:15 a.m. Sunday School<br>10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration/Father’s Day<br>11:45 a.m. Collect for CF/Youth Hope        |
| Mon.   | June 20 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. VBS Week Starts                                                                                        |

### June Birthdays

13 – Marjorie Nelson  
14 – Dori Cosgrove  
16 – Rodney Ouderkirk  
17 – Terry Fowler  
20 – David Luong  
26 – Vivian Smith  
27 – Peggy Burkeybile  
27 – Daniel Christy  
28 – Rebecca Schaeckter  
30 – Finley Vinar

### June Anniversaries Listed

13 – Jr. & Cathy Bear  
15 – Mike & Natalie Hermann  
17 – Dave & Dora Beth Christy  
25 – Nick & Lacey Wagner  
30 – Cecil & Carolyn Grimes

CIU – means Church In Use

**Church website** [elimqc.org](http://elimqc.org)

Pastor’s e-mail [pastor@elimqc.org](mailto:pastor@elimqc.org)

Church office [office@elimqc.org](mailto:office@elimqc.org)

Church Office Phone # 309-764-6920

Attendance Last Week      Sunday School = 56      Worship = 140

## CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

### TODAY June 12

Sunday Spark    Victoria Fowler (Rachel Peterson)  
Sunday Spark Jr.    Dora Beth Christy (Mary Parrott)  
Nursery    Lori Smith & Diana Wood

### NEXT WEEK June 19

Sunday Spark    Victoria Fowler (Ashley Parrott)  
Sunday Spark Jr.    Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner)  
Nursery    Carol Jacks & Karen Johnson

## MOWING SCHEDULE

June 18      Mike Hermann & Jim Nelson  
June 25      Travis Ferry & Don Yoeckel