

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
September 18, 2016

HEROES: ABRAHAM Part 1



“Look up at the heavens and count the stars – if indeed you can count them.”
Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”
Genesis 15:5b

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

September 18, 2016

“Faith never knows where it is being led, but it loves and knows the One who is leading.”: Oswald Chambers

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 Facilitator

Linda Gilmour

“Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”

HYMN #78

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

“All Because of Jesus”

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

“We live by faith, not by sight.” (2 Corinthians 5:7)

ELIM CHOIR

“The Gift of Love”

BAPTISM OF

**Reagan Marie Wood
and Alaina Lee Victoria Ellis**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

WORDS FROM GOD

Genesis 12:1-4, 15:1-6

Scripture Reader, John Thompson

MESSAGE

**“Heroes: Abraham (part 1)”
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 #630

“I Want to Be Like Jesus”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Hebrews 11:6</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Psalms 103:12</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>John 15:4-5</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Proverbs 3:6</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 1:30</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>John 16:15</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Philippians 3:9</i>

TODAY’S GREETERS

Rodney & Judy Ouderkirk

HEAD USHER

Don Peterson

USHERS

Martin Bear, L.J. Cunningham, Tabatha Estes

SOUND SYSTEM

Josh Parrott

POWER POINT

Josh Parrott

“Heroes: Abraham (part 1)”

Genesis 12:1-4; 15:1-6

Key Verse: “For we live by faith, not by sight” (2 Cor. 5:7)

Key Thought: Like Abraham, we can live into God's promises as we learn to live by faith.

1. Intro & Context

2. Abraham, “the _____ of faith” (Rom. 4:16; Gal. 3:7)

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- _____
- _____

3. The faith to _____ God into the unknown: “*Leave your country, your people, and your father’s household*” (12:1)

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- _____
- _____

4. The faith to believe an _____ promise (Gen. 15:1-6; 21:1-7; Heb. 11:11-12) “*Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations...*” (Rom. 4:18)

- _____
- _____
- _____

5. The faith to offer his _____ as a sacrifice (Gen. 22; Heb. 11:17-19)

- _____
- _____
- _____

6. Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- I. Will you live by faith, even venturing out into the unknown, to follow God and so live into His promises?
- II. Will you take God at His Word? Will you read and obey His Word, so that you may live into His promises?
- III. Is there anyone or anything you are holding back from God? Are you willing to surrender ALL to God, so that you might fully live into His promises?

PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: **The baptism of Reagan Marie Wood &
Alaina Lee Victoria Ellis.**

Prayer Concerns: **Fall activities and outreach @ Elim.**

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

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

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"I have loved you with an everlasting love." Jeremiah 31:3

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.

DINING TOUR BOOKS

Dining Tour books are still available in the church office. They are \$35 each and we receive \$10 for each one sold.

CURRENT NEEDS for CHRISTIAN CARE

Salad dressings (large bottles)	Fresh fruits/potatoes/veggies
Yogurt, eggs, milk, sliced cheese	Canned fruits/veggies
Butter/margarine	Coffee/creamer/tea bags
Sugar/Powdered milk	Ketchup/Charcoal/Cooking spray
Breakfast foods	Pork & Beans/Chili beans
Beef broth	Bus tickets (IL & IA)
Men's new white t-shirts XL-4X	Foot powder
Tooth paste/shaving cream	Gently used cookware/utensils
Deodorant	Paper towels/toilet paper
Any cleaning products	13 & 33 Gallon Trash bags
Dish soap/Automatic Dishwasher Soap	
Laundry soap	Kitchen Hand /Dish Towels



The Elim choir practice is on Tuesdays, @ 6:30 p.m. See Linda Gilmour with questions.

S.P.L.A.S.H. MEETING

**The next S.P.L.A.S.H. meeting will be
Saturday, Sept. 24th 9:00-11:00 a.m.
All ladies are invited to attend.**



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD –
THE BOX IS OUT!!
AIMING FOR 88 BOXES!!**

Please put donations for Operation Christmas Child (shoebox gifts) in the box or donate \$7.00 for shipping costs. Monetary donations can be given directly to the church office.

Next to the donation box in the gathering area is a list of items needed/suggested.

Bars of soap, pencil sharpeners, washcloths, toothbrushes, toothpaste, & sandwich baggies. The packing party will be Saturday, November 12th from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.



The Keenagers Bible Study group are beginning their weekly Thursday morning meetings. Coffee time is 9:00 a.m. with the Bible study @ 9:30 a.m. The meeting on Thursday, September 15th will be @ Anna Swanson's house due to the parking lot being worked on.

All are welcome and encouraged to join.

See Pat Hudson with any questions.



**CHRISTIANITY 101:
"MAKIN' SENSE OF
CHURCH & CHRISTIAN STUFF"**

Class for adults - Led by Pastor Steve (& 2 ladies smarter than him)!

Beginning Sunday, September 25th.
from 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 ish.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun.	Sept. 18	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration 11:45 a.m. Collection for CF/Youth Hope
Mon.	Sept. 19	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tues.	Sept. 20	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed.	Sept. 21	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Gathering 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 6:00-7:30 p.m. SPARK & AXIS 7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion
Thurs.	Sept. 22	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sat.	Sept. 24	9:00-11:00am S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting
Sun.	Sept. 25	9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Christianity 101 New Class 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Mon.	Sept. 26	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering 6:30 p.m. CIU – RIC Prayer Meeting
Tues.	Sept. 27	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

September Birthdays

18 – Phil Estes
18 – Sera Pirmann
22 – Teresa Jackson
23 – Lee Kinney
24 – Leonna Ellis
25 – Felipe Cantu
28 – Don Yoeckel
29 – Ford Vinar

September Anniversaries

22 – Steve & Margo Coil
25 – Dewey & Carol Jacks
26 – Dave & Miranda Vinar
27 – Dale & Linda Gilmour

(Sept 17 – Martin & Cheryl Bear
wasn't posted – sorry)

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 28 Worship = 122

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY Sept. 18

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Ashley Parrott)
Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner)
Nursery Lori Smith & Diana Wood

NEXT WEEK September 25

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)
Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Rachel Peterson)
Nursery Carol Jacks & Karen Johnson

MOWING SCHEDULE

September 24 Mike Hermann & Jim Nelson
October 1 Travis Ferry & Don Yoeckel