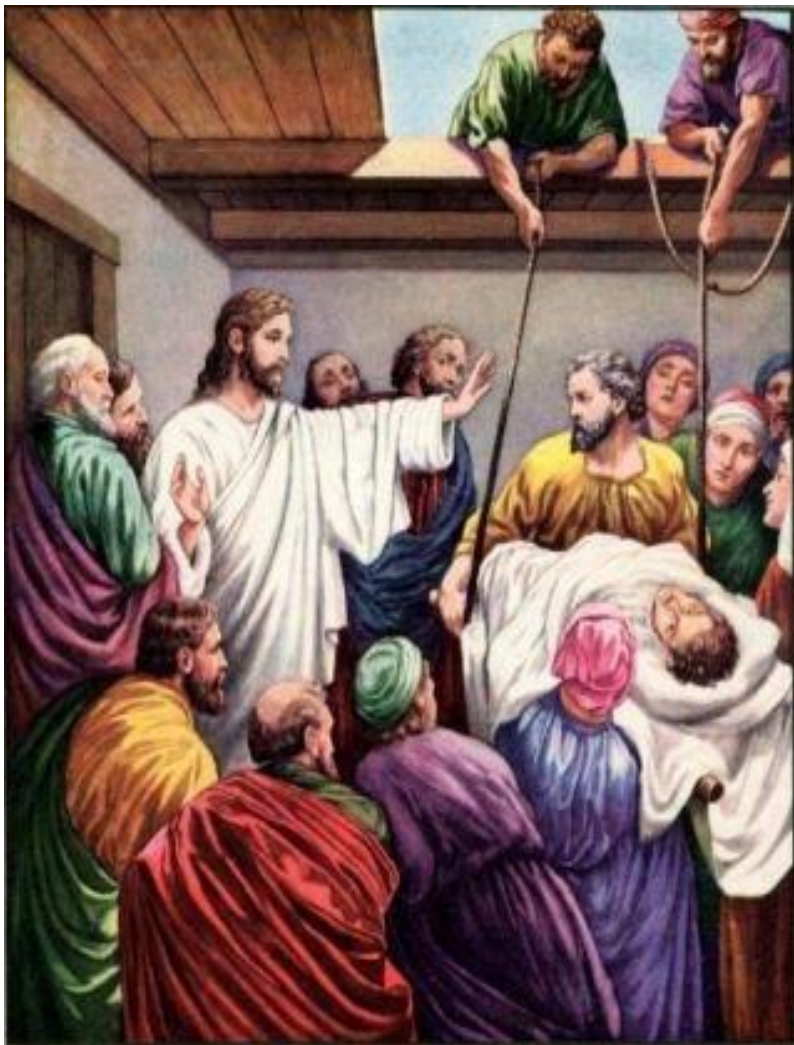


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
March 26, 2017



Jesus heals a paralytic.

Elim Covenant Church
5201 18th Avenue Moline, IL. 61265
(309) 764-6920

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
March 26, 2017

Elim's mission statement.

"To develop leaders who will impact the world for Christ."

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

WELCOME SONG

Worship Facilitators

Victoria & Scott Fowler

SONG

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tabatha Estes

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

*"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers,
against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and
against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."*

Ephesians 6:12

WORSHIP SONGS

"Shout to the Lord"

Silver book #33

"Majesty"

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!

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

WORDS FROM GOD

Mark 2:1-17

*Scripture Reader, Mary Parrott
(Red Bibles p.991 or p.1046)*

MESSAGE

“NOT Keeping Up With Appearances”

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 Silver book #162

“Give Thanks”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday

Matthew 5:6

Monday

1 John 2:25

Tuesday

1 Peter 1:5

Wednesday

James 4:10

Thursday

Romans 8:29-30

Friday

Isaiah 9:6-7

Saturday

Psalms 121:5-8

TODAY'S GREETERS

Pam & John Thompson

HEAD USHER

Don Peterson

USHERS

Martin Bear, L.J. Cunningham, Tabatha Estes

SOUND SYSTEM

Josh Parrott

POWER POINT

Tom Dang

“NOT Keeping Up With Appearances”

Mark 2:1-17

Key Text: *“I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes...”* (Rom. 1:16)

Key Thought: Jesus commends those with a “forceful” faith, who don’t conform to a “proper” religious mold, but follow Him with fiery abandon.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) _____ faith (vv. 3-4) “... the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it” (Mt. 11:12)
 - a. Going to extremes (Lk. 11:5-10; 18:1-8)
 - b. Not preoccupied with “offending others” (cf. Mt. 15:21-28; Mk. 10:46-52; Rom. 1:16)
- 3) Healing often begins with _____ (v. 5) (cf. 2 Chr. 7:14; Ps. 103:3; James 5:15-16)
- 4) Blasphemy, or divine _____? (vv. 6-12) (cf. Jn. 2:11; 20:30-31)
- 5) Jesus’ newest team member (vv. 13-17) (Lk. 1:46-53; 1 Cor. 1:37) “He raises the poor from the dust... he seats them with princes...” (1 Sam. 2:8)
- 6) Not fitting into the religious _____ (cf. Rom. 14; Col. 2:16-23) *“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit”* (Rom. 14:17)
- 7) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- How far are you willing to go to bring someone to Jesus? Are you tenacious in prayer & tenacious in action?
- Where do you fit in Jesus’ “new/old wine” analogy? Have you lost your saltiness? Has your love grown cold? Or are you growing in zeal? Are you following Jesus with fiery abandon?

PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: Claudine Patton turns 80 today!!!
The Elim work day workers!! Thank you.

Prayer Concerns: Terrorism throughout the world.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Arlene Miller, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Jay & Judie Stanley,
John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ann Seyller,
Belva Van Norman, Pennie Knary & family, Rollie Potts, 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 northwest classroom behind the sound system booth.

Prayer Gatherings

Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. Also, there is a Wednesday morning prayer group meeting in Pastor's office @ 7:00 a.m. 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.



TODAY!!!

Please join Claudine Patton as she celebrates her 80th birthday. The party will be held TODAY, Sunday, March 26th. From 12 noon thru 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited for birthday refreshments following worship.



Today's topic at Grief Share –
“Lessons of Grief: Part 2.” Join us this
afternoon @ 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Everyone is welcome.

February Financial Report

Current Expenses		Building	Other	Totals
Balance 2/1	\$56,223	\$3,365	\$13,811	\$73,398
Receipts	\$13,036	\$ 798	\$ 3,505	\$17,339
Disbursements	\$13,159	\$ 0.00	\$ 748	\$13,907
Balance 2/28	\$56,099	\$4,163	\$16,569	\$76,831

EASTER...

**The first time Jesus returned
to Earth.**

**Are you ready for the
second?**

Rise Up with Jesus

Friday, April 14

Easter Celebration Sunday,

April 16

**Experience Easter weekend
at Elim... be ready!!**

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun.	March 26	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Noon-2:00pm. Claudine Patton's 80 th Birthday Celebration 3:00-5:00 p.m. Grief Share Meeting 4:00-5:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study Class
Mon.	March 27	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering 6:30 p.m. CIU – RIC Prayer Meeting
Tues.	March 28	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Wed.	March 29	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Gathering 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00-7:30 p.m. SPARK & AXIS 7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion
Thur.	March 30	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sun.	April 2	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration 3:00-5:00p.m. Grief Share Meeting 4:00-5:30 p.m. Sign Language Class
Mon.	April 3	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tues.	April 4	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

March Birthdays

26 – Claudine Patton
28 – Jon Estes
30 – Nick Wagner
April Birthdays
6 – Reagan Wood
7 – Burnie Sutter
8 – Dee Pritchard
8 – Will Wagner
9 – L.J. Cunningham

March Anniversaries

29 – Jon & Tabatha Estes

April Anniversaries

7 – Rodney & Judy Ouderkirk
8 – Pastor Steve & Elizabeth Peterson
11 – Lyle & Maurine Beresford
16 – Wiley & Maxine Barnes

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 42 Worship = 123

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY March 26

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)

Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Mary Parrott)

Nursery Diana Wood & Rachel Peterson

NEXT WEEK April 2

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (John Thompson)

Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner)

Nursery Lori Smith & Abby Peterson