You are the God who saves me. I put my hope in you all day long. - PSALM 25:5

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION **December 3, 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

Linda Gilmour Worship Facilitator

SONG

"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

#### **GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Shannon Pirmann

#### MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming or our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thessalonians 5:23

#### LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

Juanita Arellanos, Ani & Mimi Aleman

SONG SONG "Go. Tell It on the Mountain" "What Child Is This?"

#### **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**

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

## ELIM CHOIR ADVENT MEDLEY

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" & "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

## WORDS FROM GOD

Isaiah 64:1-9

Scripture Reader, Don Peterson (Red Bibles p. 783 or p. 742)

# **MESSAGE**

## "O Come, Emmanuel!" Pastor Steve Peterson

# **RESPONDING TO GOD**

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

# **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Call to Communion Invitation to the Lord's Table

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

# 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.

SONG

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

## BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week		
Sunday	Leviticus 10:3	
Monday	Deuteronomy 4:31	
Tuesday	Luke 8:21	
Wednesday	Luke 11:13	
Thursday	Hebrews 10:23	
Friday	Micah 7:19	
Saturday	Revelation 2:26-27	

TODAY'S GREETERSCarolyn & Cecil GrimesHEAD USHERDon PetersonUSHERSMartin Bear, David Luong, Tabatha EstesSOUND SYSTEMJosh ParrottPOWER POINTDave Christy

# "O Come, Emmanuel!" Isaiah 64:1-9

**Key Text:** *"Restore us, O Lord God Almighty; make your face shine upon us that we may be saved"* (Ps. 80:19)

**Key Thought:** Overwhelmed by sin, we find ourselves in a desperate situation, but Christ is our hope for redemption.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) The \_\_\_\_\_\_ situation (Isa. 64:1-9; Ps. 80:1-7, 17-19)
  - a) Recognizing God's holiness (vv. 1-3) (cf. Isa. 66:15-16; Ezk. 1; Rev. 1:10-18)
    - b) Our predicament (Isa. 64:5-7; Ps. 80:4-6)
      - i) God's anger \_\_\_\_\_\_ against us (cf. Num. 11:1; Deut. 19:19-20; Ps. 79:5)
      - ii) Crying out for\_\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Ex. 3:7,9; Jdg. 3:9, 15; Ps. 80:3,7,19)
- \_\_\_\_\_ oneself (Isa. 64:8) (cf. Isa. 66:2b; 1 Pt. 5:6) "... This is the one I esteem: he who is humble and contrite in spirit, and trembles at my word" (Isa. 66:2)
- 4) God's sanctifying work in us (1 Cor. 1:3-9)
  - a) In Christ (v. 5a) (cf. Rom. 8:1; 1 Cor. 1:30; 2 Cor. 5:17)
  - b) \_\_\_\_\_\_ by Him (v. 5) (cf. Eph. 1:3; Php. 4:19; Col. 2:9-10)
  - c) Kept strong to the end (v. 8) (cf. Eph. 5:27; 1 Ths. 3:13; 5:23)
  - d) God's faithfulness (v. 9) (cf. Ps. 108:4; 1 Ths. 5:24; 2 Ths. 3:3)
- 5) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Have you ever considered God's holiness as the standard for salvation? Do you recognize your abject spiritual poverty in light of His holiness?
- Have you ever felt the true weight of the consequences of your sin? Have you ever cried out for redemption, for God to restore you?
- Do you believe in Jesus as your Savior and Redeemer? Have you put your full trust in His ability to save you from your sins and redeem/restore your life, truly giving you a new life?

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Praises: The anticipation and wonder of the Advent Season.

Congratulations to Amanda Le who will be graduating from Western University in Macomb on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Prayer Concerns: Sympathy to Kathy Henderson and Dora Beth Christy and families upon the passing of Kathy's father & Dora Beth's grandfather, Ken Carman. There will be a memorial service @ Elim on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 p.m.

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

Felipe Cantu, Arlene Miller, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Earl Burklund, Jay & Judie Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Ann Seyller, Jonnie McDermand, Margaret Crandall, Tasha Munger, Tabatha Estes, families that have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns. **Praver 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.

#### <u>Prayer Chain</u>

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.



The poinsettia sign- up sheet is on the table in the gathering area. The cost is \$8.00 and may be turned in to the church office. Each plant is purchased to beautify our church during the Christmas season in memory or honor of a loved one and may be taken home after Christmas for you to enjoy.



The next meeting of the Christian Service Brigade will be held on <u>Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.</u>
All young boys and their fathers are encouraged to join in.
The next meeting will be on <u>Monday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.</u> See Nick Wagner with any questions.



The Keenager Bible study group will be having their annual potluck day on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to join the group for the potluck. They will not have coffee time before their meeting that day with the Bible study beginning @ 9:30 a.m.



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S.P.L.A.S.H. MEETING The December S.P.L.A.S.H. will be held on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

> The address for Linda Hutchison is: Rosewood Care Center 7300 – 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue Room #302 window Moline, IL. 61265



# **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

The next congregational meeting will be held following worship on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.



We are presenting a Christmas Concert with performances and congregational singing on Sunday evening, December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m.

# COOKIE DECORATING DAY



There will be a cookie decorating day for anyone interested in donating or decorating cookies. It will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> beginning @ 9:00 a.m. If you are donating cookies, you may drop them off anytime the week of December 10<sup>th</sup> or also the morning of the 16<sup>th</sup>. Decorating supplies will be available. The cookies will be made up in trays for our shut-ins or those with recent surgeries. See Cheryl Bear with ??.

# 2018

New volunteer & cleaning schedules are out on the table in the gathering area. Please sign up if you can help with any of the church duties or the cleaning schedule. Please help Elim run smoothly and remain the beautiful church where we all are proud & blessed to come for worship.

Looking Ahead			
Sun.	Dec. 3	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration
Mon.	Dec. 4	5:30 p.m.	Prayer Team Gathering
		6:30 p.m.	Christian Service Brigade
Tues.	Dec. 5	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Wed.	Dec. 6	7:00 a.m.	"Amped" Prayer Meeting
		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.	
Thurs.	Dec. 7		Keenagers Bible Study
		11:30 a.m.	Keenagers Potluck
Sat.	Dec. 9		SPLASH Meeting
Sun.	Dec. 10		Sunday School
			Worship Celebration
			Congregational Meeting
		1:30-4:30 p.m.	
		-	Christmas Concert
Mon.	Dec. 11	-	Prayer Team Gathering
		-	CIU – RIC Prayer Meeting
Tues.	Dec. 12	-	Choir Practice
Wed.	Dec. 13		"Amped" Prayer Meeting
			Dollar Dinner
			Women's Bible Study
6:00-7:30 p.m. <i>SPARK</i> & AXIS			
7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion			
		ber Birthdays	<u>December Anniversaries</u>
		nielle Ogden	2 – Gary & Julie Wells
		am Hermann	10 – John & Linda Hutchison
		icey Wagner	
		zabeth Smith	Church website elimqc.org
	19 – Julie Wells		Pastor's e-mail <u>pastor@elimqc.org</u> Church office <u>office@elimqc.org</u>
22 – John Thompson 27 – Dave Parrott		-	Church Office Phone # 309-764-6920
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		risten Burns	
			Sunday School = 43 Worship = 105

#### **CHILD CARE SCHEDULE**

<u>TODAY Dec. 3</u> Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (John Thompson) Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner) Nursery Rachel Peterson & .....

<u>NEXT WEEK Dec. 10</u> Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Ashley Parrott) Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Cindy Minard) Nursery Abby Peterson & .....