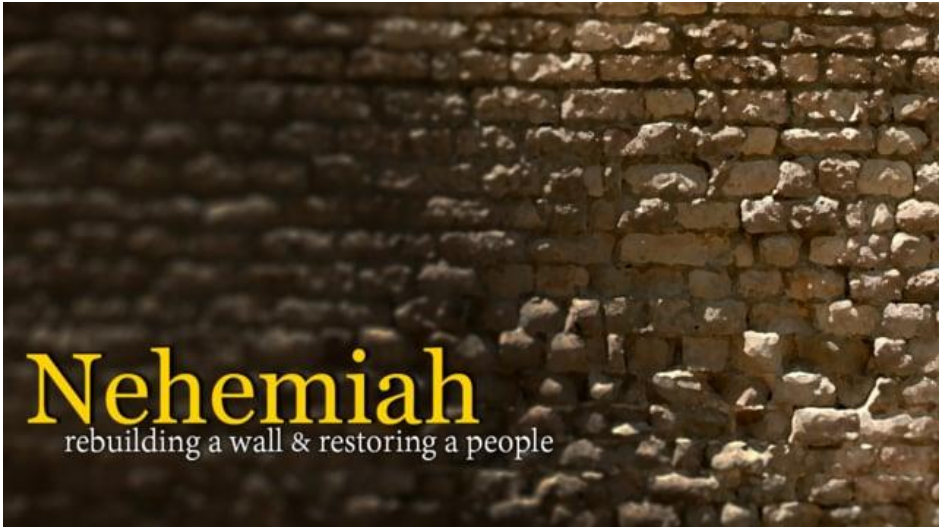


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
February 24, 2019



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

February 24, 2019

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.

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC SET

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Juanita Arellanos

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

*"Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand,
that he may lift you up in due time."*

— 1 Peter 5:6

ADORATION TO GOD

We offer to God "a sacrifice of praise," expressing our love and devotion to Him.

WORSHIP SONGS

"Blessed Be Your Name"

"How Firm a Foundation"

Blue Hymnal, page 437

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

OFFERTORY

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

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!

WORDS FROM GOD

Job 24:1-12; Nehemiah 5:1-12

Scripture Reader, Jim Carsell

(Red Bibles p. 549, 508)

MESSAGE

"Doing Justly, Loving Mercy"

By Pastor Steve Peterson

PRAYERS TO GOD

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BEING SENT BY GOD

God sends us out into the world that He desperately loves.

SONG *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"* *Blue Hymnal, page 399*

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

February 24th

Micah 7:7

February 25th

James 1:5

February 26th

Romans 5:1

February 27th

Exodus 33:19

February 28th

Psalms 63:8

March 1st

2 Timothy 2:19

March 2nd

Proverbs 3:12

TODAY'S GREETERS

Rodney and Judy Ouderkirk

HEAD USHER

Gary Wells

USHERS

Chip Hesler, Rodney Ouderkirk, Sandy Parrott

SOUND SYSTEM

Josh Parrott

POWER POINT VIDEO

John Thompson

Sermon Notes
February 24, 2019
“Doing Justly, Loving Mercy”
Job 24:1-12
Nehemiah 5:1-12

Key Text: *“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God”* (Micah 6:8)

Key Thought: As Nehemiah did, we must take a stand against injustice and defend the rights of the poor and downtrodden.

1) Intro & Context

- a) The plight of the poor (vv. 1-5)
- b) Nehemiah’s righteous **ANGER** (vv. 6-12)
- c) Nehemiah’s righteous **EXAMPLE** (vv. 14-18)

2) Making application:

- a) **FEAR** & reverence God! (cf. Lev. 25:17; Pr. 29:25)
- b) Be careful about profiting from people’s **MISFORTUNES** (cf. Pr. 14:31; James 5:1-6)
- c) Be generous to those in need, knowing God will repay you (cf. Deut. 15:7-11; Pr. 19:17; Matt. 25:31-46)
- d) **TAKE A STAND** for the poor & downtrodden (Isa. 58:6-12; James 1:27)
- e) Get **INVOLVED**! (e.g. Isa. 1:15-17; Micah 6:8)

3) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

1. Do you understand God’s command to help the poor and downtrodden? How will you respond to His command?
2. Where do you feel drawn to serve in this regard? Will you commit to it? What first steps will you take to get involved?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: The days are getting longer! Spring is right around the corner!

Prayer Concerns: Pat Hudson's surgery scheduled for Thursday, February 28.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Arlene Miller, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Jay and Judie Stanley, Ann Seyller, Jonnie McDermand, Margaret Crandall, Tasha Munger, Iva Cutler, Beverly Reese, and families that have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Phillip and Stephanie Voland, serving in
Germany: Evangelism and Discipleship

If you visited us in our country, we would be excited to show you the beautiful cultures of the German nationals and refugees. We are proud of the country we call home because of how open and generous they are toward displaced people.



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 Martin 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 at 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 Sandy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. otherwise call or text Tasha Munger at (309) 281-8784 with your request. If no answer, you may leave your concern on the answering machine and it will be relayed ASAP.

For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. — Colossians 1:9a

MEN'S BREAKFAST



The next Men's Breakfast will be **Saturday, March 2** at 8:00 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the gathering area.

EASTER CANTATA PRACTICE

Easter Cantata practice has started, and everyone is welcome to join in, even those who may not attend our church. Contact Linda Gilmour with questions or just show up for practice every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m.



DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can receive emails from Covenant Newswire linking you to the website for the "Covenant Companion" magazine? It will give you links to current and past articles:

www.covenantcompanion.com.

Read about our newest leaders at the Covenant Office as they share their interests, priorities, and vision for the future in "The Mission Forward."

Retired Covenant pastor, Marvin Eppard, shares the bittersweet journey of caring for his wife as they face Alzheimer's in his article called, "Always on My Mind."

In "Traces of Faith" Nilwona Nowlin talks about her experience using a prayer labyrinth.

Pastor Mike Mirakian, pastor of Broadway Covenant Church in Rockford, Illinois, recently wrote an excellent article called, "Pastoring Through the Unimaginable."

If you don't have a computer but are interested in these articles, let Sandy know and she will get you a copy.



YOUR JOURNEY FROM MOURNING TO JOY

Find help after the death of a loved one at GriefShare, a special seminar/support group designed to help you heal from the deep loss you have experienced.

- You'll discover there are people who understand your hurts, emotions, and painful experiences!
- You'll learn helpful, practical information that will help you recover from the pain of grief and loss.
- You'll have the chance to talk about your experiences.
- You'll have a workbook for personal study and to write down things you've learned.
- You'll begin to gain closure in your loss.
- You'll become part of a "family."
- You'll discover hope for the future.

It doesn't matter how long it's been, we can still learn and continue healing. Why not join us this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.? You're welcome to bring a friend.

Today's topic is "The Journey of Grief." This week we'll discover

- Helpful goals to set on your journey of grief.
- How to deal with those who try to rush you through your grief.
- How long the journey of grief typically lasts.

"For I (God) will turn their mourning into joy and will comfort them and give them joy for their sorrow." Jeremiah 31:13 NASB

Looking Ahead

Sunday	February 24	9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation 10:15 a.m. Pre-Worship Music Set in the Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 3:00 p.m. GriefShare
Monday	February 25	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering 6:30 p.m. CIU RICU Prayer Meeting
Tuesday	February 26	9:30 a.m. SAS Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Easter Cantata Choir Practice
Wednesday	February 27	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. <i>SPARK & AXIS</i> 6:15 p.m. Video Study on the History of the Church
Sunday	March 3	9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation 10:15 a.m. Pre-Worship Music Set in the Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 3:00 p.m. GriefShare
Monday	March 4	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering

February Birthdays

28 — Jessica Sandholm

28 — Kathy Brothers

March Anniversaries

1 — Daniel and Dori Cosgrove

16 — Jim and Danielle Ogden

March Birthdays

1 — Skylar-Vienna Jackson

3 — Cheryl Bear

6 — Margaret Hasty

7 — Carol Jacks

10 — Hailey Wagner

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 37 Worship = 78

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, February 24

Sunday Spark: Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)

Sunday Spark Jr.: Dora Beth Christy (Rachel Peterson)

Nursery: Abby Peterson and Amanda Le

NEXT WEEK, March 3

Sunday Spark: Victoria Fowler (John Thompson)

Sunday Spark Jr.: Dora Beth Christy (Rachel Cunningham)

Nursery: Elsa Nelson