

**ELIM COVENANT CHURCH**  
**May 19, 2019**



**Elim Covenant Church**  
**5201 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue Moline, IL 61265**  
**(309) 764-6920**  
**Website: [www.elimqc.org](http://www.elimqc.org)**

**WORSHIP CELEBRATION**  
**May 19, 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**

Mike Hermann

**MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

*"And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again."*

*— 2 Corinthians 5:15*

**ADORATION TO GOD**

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

**WORSHIP SONGS**

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

*Blue Hymnal, p. 412*

*"Heart of Worship"*

*"O Come to the Altar"*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

*(Children dismissed for Children's Church, please for ages 3 thru 5<sup>th</sup> 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**

Nehemiah 13:4-11, 15, 23-28

*Scripture Reader, Jean Russell*  
*(Red Bibles p. 519)*

## **MESSAGE**

**"Strong Leadership"**

**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** *"Heart"*

## **BENEDICTION**

### **Scripture Readings for the Week**

<i>May 19th</i>	<i>Psalms 48:14</i>
<i>May 20th</i>	<i>1 Peter 1:2-4</i>
<i>May 21st</i>	<i>Matthew 16:27</i>
<i>May 22nd</i>	<i>Galatians 6:8-9</i>
<i>May 23rd</i>	<i>Isaiah 66:13</i>
<i>May 24th</i>	<i>Revelation 21:7</i>
<i>May 25th</i>	<i>Exodus 19:5</i>

**TODAY'S GREETERS**

Tom and Annette Lancial

**HEAD USHER**

Gary Wells

**USHERS**

Chip Hesler, Rodney Ouder Kirk, Sandy Parrott

**SOUND SYSTEM**

Orlin Johnson

**POWER POINT VIDEO**

Dave Christy

**Sermon Notes**  
**May 19, 2019**  
**“Strong Leadership”**  
**Nehemiah 13:4-11, 15, 23-28**

**Key Text:** “Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord” (Rom. 12:11)

**Key Thought:** As with Nehemiah, what is needed in our world today is strong leadership to influence godly reforms

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Nehemiah’s **REFORMS** (chpt. 12)
- 3) **VIOLENCE** in the Bible (cf. Num. 25:7-8; 1 Sam. 17:51; Jn. 2:13-17)
- 4) Practicing **STRONG** leadership
  - a) Caution: Stay within the law! (cf. Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Pt. 2:17; 3:15)
  - b) **RISK** it all! (cf. Lk. 14:26-27; Jn. 12:25)
  - c) Speak up! (cf. Ps. 82:3; Jer. 22:16) *“Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy”* (Pr. 31:9)
  - d) Act! (cf. Ja. 2:14-17; 4:17) *“Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn’t do it, sins”* (Ja. 4:17)
  - e) **LEAD!!** (cf. Mt. 5:13-16; Php. 2:15-16) *“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven”* (Mt. 5:16)
- 5) Conclusion

**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:**

1. What needed reforms are you most drawn to engage in?
2. What is God calling you to do to address the needed reforms in our world?

## PRAYER PAGE

**Praises:** Adult VBS and all those who participated in any way.

**Prayer Concerns:** Those suffering with chronic pain and health issues.

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

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

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### **Pray for Covenant Missionaries:**

#### ***Erika & Nils Clauson***

Serving in Mexico with Patty and Lisandro Restrepo. Ministries include Evangelism and Outreach, Community Development, Christian Formation, and Discipleship Leadership Development

In the coming year we will be holding the first national retreat for the 34 facilitators that have been trained by MAEM (Ministering to the Abused and Exploited in Mexico).



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### **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.

*Answer me when I call to you, my righteous God. Give me relief from my distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer. (Psalm 4:1)*

# WHAT'S UP?!

## Help Wanted

We need volunteers to help clean the church, especially for the month of June. The church is divided up into sections so that all the work doesn't fall on one person. Can you spare about an hour a week for a month? Grab a friend or form a team. Many hands make light work. Your help will be greatly appreciated! Thanks!

## Household Goods

Veronica Matarese moved and donated household goods to Elim that are in the garage. We would like to offer these items to those at Elim that could make use of them. We just suggest that donations be made to our Special Needs fund. If you want to look at the items see **Sandy Parrott, Orlin Johnson**, or anyone with keys to the garage. Any donations for items can be given to **Sandy Parrott** or **Sheila Yoeckel**.

### The items are:

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| 1 End Table or Nightstand with Shelf and 2 Doors |                  |
| 1 Two-piece Hutch                                | 2 Lamps          |
| 1 Picture  | 1 Mirror         |
| 1 Large USA Map                                  | 1 Christmas Tree |

## Exercise Class

Elim and First Covenant Churches are co-sponsoring an exercise program called "Crescendo Crunch" for the Boomers-Plus age group. The program starts **Thursday, May 23**, from **10:00-11:00 a.m.** and will run for the next six Thursdays at First Covenant Church on 41st Street in Moline. Exercise is for cardio, strength and flexibility. Please wear loose clothing and tennis shoes and bring water. There is no fee for this exercise program. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Laird 309-762-5633 or any member of Elim's Crescendo Group.

## S.P.L.A.S.H.

Ladies — just a reminder — **S.P.L.A.S.H.** is on **Saturday, May 25**, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. All women are invited. Please join us!!

## Church Directory Updates

We are in the process of updating our church directory. Addresses, phone numbers, and emails all change, and we want to ensure that we have your correct information.

You can find a form on the table just outside the sanctuary doors. Please fill it out and return to the church office by **Sunday, May 26**. If your information hasn't changed, no need to submit the form. We will use the information that is in the current directory. Thanks!

## 3-2-1 BLAST OFF!

*One small step for your kids. . .one giant leap for God's Kingdom!*

Preregistration is open online, or you may pick up a paper copy on the back table and turn it in to **Victoria Fowler** or **Sandy** in the church office. We also have a sign-up sheet for those brave souls ready to blast off on an adventure with our explorers!



Where: Elim Covenant Church  
5201 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Moline, Illinois  
When: June 10-14, 2019  
Time: 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Pre-K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Free for all! Supper served each night. Visit our website at [elimqc.org](http://elimqc.org) to register online and to view a sample video. All preregistered will be placed in a drawing for 3 giveaways!!

## Looking Ahead

Sunday	May 19	9:00 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	May 20	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	May 21	9:30 a.m. <b>SAS</b> Bible Study 5:30 p.m. RESTART Program
Wednesday	May 22	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. <i>SPARK &amp; AXIS</i> 6:15 p.m. Videos and Discussions about God's Kingdom
Thursday	May 23	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Saturday	May 25	9:00 a.m. SPLASH
Sunday	May 26	9:00 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	May 27	<b>Memorial Day — office closed</b>
Tuesday	May 28	9:30 a.m. <b>SAS</b> Bible Study 5:30 p.m. RESTART Program

### May Birthdays

20 — David Luong  
22 — Bill Minard  
28 — Jim Ogden  
29 — Jay Stanley  
30 — Kate Schaechter

### May Anniversaries

15 — Tom and Annette Lancial

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 49 Worship = 110

## CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

### TODAY, May 19

Sunday Spark: Victoria Fowler (Ashley Parrott)  
Sunday Spark Jr.: Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner)  
Nursery: Natalie Hermann and Rachel Luong

### NEXT WEEK, May 26

Sunday Spark: Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)  
Sunday Spark Jr.: Dora Beth Christy (Rachel Peterson)  
Nursery: Abby Peterson and Amanda Le

### MOWING SCHEDULE

May 25..... Jim Carsell and Chris Carsell  
June 1..... Tom Dang and Giao Luong