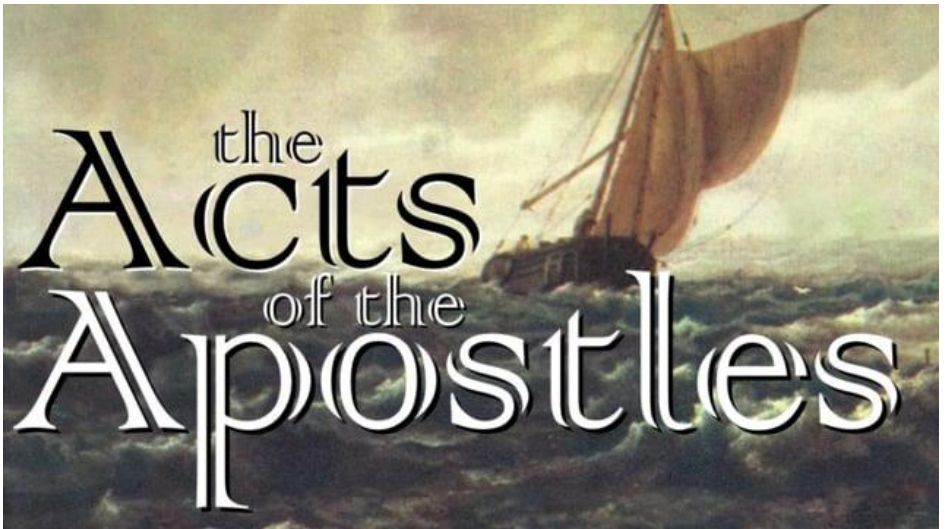


**ELIM COVENANT CHURCH**  
**June 23, 2019**



**Elim Covenant Church**  
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**WORSHIP CELEBRATION**  
**June 23, 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**

*For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.*

*— Romans 8:14*

**ADORATION TO GOD**

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

**WORSHIP SONGS**

*"How Firm a Foundation"*

*Blue Hymnal, p. 437*

*"Victory in Jesus"*

*"I Love to Tell the Story"*

*Blue Hymnal, p. 681*

**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**

Acts 4:8-21

*Scripture Reader, Natalie Hermann  
(Red Bibles p. 1143)*

## **MESSAGE**

**“Experiencing Acts: Courageous Witness”**

**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.

## **WORSHIP SONG**

*“Beautiful Name”*

## **BENEDICTION**

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

<i>June 23rd</i>	<i>Romans 16:20</i>
<i>June 24th</i>	<i>Isaiah 25:9</i>
<i>June 25th</i>	<i>Psalms 147:9</i>
<i>June 26th</i>	<i>Ephesians 2:22</i>
<i>June 27th</i>	<i>Psalms 37:23-26</i>
<i>June 28th</i>	<i>1 Timothy 4:4-5</i>
<i>June 29th</i>	<i>Philippians 2:13</i>

## **TODAY'S GREETERS**

Rodney and Judy Ouderkirk

## **HEAD USHER**

Don Peterson

## **USHERS**

Martin Bear, Confirmation Students

## **SOUND SYSTEM**

Don Yoeckel

## **POWER POINT VIDEO**

Josh Parrott

# Sermon Notes

June 23, 2019

## “Experiencing Acts: Courageous Witness”

Acts 4:8-21

**Key Text:** “... You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,” declares the Lord” (Jer. 1:7-8)

**Key Thought:** As Peter and John witnessed courageously, so we also must pray that God would make us courageous in our witness for Him

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) CRIPPLED from birth (3:2) (cf. Ps. 51:5; Eph. 2:3)
- 3) Poverty and WEALTH (3:6) (cf. Mt. 5:3; James 1:9-12) “*Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God*” (Lk. 6:20)
- 4) Boldness with HUMILITY (3:12) (cf. Jn. 3:27-30; 1 Cor. 9:16; Gal. 6:14) “*He must become greater; I must become less*” (Jn. 3:30)
- 5) Political INCORRECTNESS (3:13-15) (cf. Ps. 141:5; Pr. 15:31; James 5:19-20) “*You snakes! You brood of vipers! How will you escape being condemned to hell?*” (Mt. 23:33)
- 6) COURAGEOUS witness (4:13) (cf. Jer. 1:7-8; Ezek. 2:6-7; Mt. 10:26-28)
- 7) Conclusion

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

1. Do you wish you had more courage in your witness for Jesus? If the Spirit would give you boldness, would you pray for it?
2. Are you willing to suffer persecution for Jesus’ sake? Is He worth it to you?

## PRAYER PAGE

**Praises:** For God's unfailing, unchanging mercy and love.

**Prayer Concerns:** Evangelical Covenant Church 134<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
June 27-29.

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

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

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

#### ***Peter & Ruth Dutton***

Serving in Thailand. Ministries include Christian Formation and Discipleship, Business as Mission.

My goals for the coming year include facilitating the beginning of an ESL program in local country schools surrounding our farm in Roi Et and seeing the beginning of video production as a result of a new initiative with Inchai and Ott Srisuwan.



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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.

*Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. — Luke 18:1*

## THANK YOU!



We want to thank our Elim family for the love, support, and prayers you've given us during the illness and passing of John's mom, **Barb Thompson**. A special thanks to the ladies for providing the funeral luncheon. God bless you.

— **John and Pam Thompson**

## NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES

June 2019 church directories are available in the church office. If you would like a pdf version for your devices, let Sandy know and she will email you a copy.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

### Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will be **Saturday, July 13 at 8:00 a.m.** We will have the church chair, **Rick Peacock**, from Princeton Covenant Church as our guest speaker. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the gathering area.

### After-School Bible Study Informational Meeting

**Today** immediately following the worship service, we will have an informational meeting for anyone interested in helping with an after-school Bible study for students at Franklin Elementary School.

### Upcoming Crescendo lunches:

Thursday, July 18, 2019 — Ray and Scott Wierson

Thursday, August 15, 2019 — The Ukulele Club

## JUST A REMINDER

If you didn't pick up a lid and soup can label for our Covenant World Relief offering, there are extras on the table just outside the sanctuary doors.

The labels can be taped around empty soup cans into which you can drop your change. It is an easy way to remember the needs of the world and to teach children about loving others and stewardship. Check out <https://covchurch.org/cwr> to learn more about this wonderful ministry. We will start collecting the cans on **Sunday, July 14**. Thanks!



# VOLUNTEER/SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

## Help Wanted

We need volunteers to help clean the church. 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 is greatly appreciated! Thanks!

## Youth Hope/Christian Friendliness

Youth Hope needs volunteers to man the food pantry at their 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue location between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. For more information call Youth Hope directly at (309) 762-4577.

## Christian Care Current Needs

Below is a list of Christian Care's needs. There is a box in the gathering area designated for donations. Thanks!

### Key Needs Are Listed in BOLD:

<b>Dish soap</b>	Egg noodles
<b>Laundry detergent</b>	Salad dressing (Ranch & French)
<b>Bleach</b>	Salt/ Pepper packets
<b>Bathroom cleaning products</b>	Men's shoes
<b>Napkins</b>	13-gallon trash bags
<b>Belts</b>	39-gallon trash bags
Coffee, black tea, creamer	Bus passes for IA & IL
Sugar	Zip-Loc Bags (sandwich and gallon sized)
Canned fruit	Fabric softener sheets
	<u>Cleaning products:</u> shower cleaner, Windex, dishwasher soap.

**Professional Services/Volunteer:** We are always seeking individuals who can provide professional services or volunteer services which will benefit our clients directly. To learn more about becoming a volunteer at Christian Care, please contact:

Steve Gottcent, Community Outreach Coordinator, at (309) 786-5734 or email at [sgottcent@christiancareqc.org](mailto:sgottcent@christiancareqc.org).

## Looking Ahead

Sunday	June 23	9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Pre-Worship Music Set in the Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Monday	June 24	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering 6:30 p.m. CIU RICM Prayer Meeting
Tuesday	June 25	9:30 a.m. <b>SAS</b> Bible Study
Wednesday	June 26	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 6:00 p.m. SPARK and Axis 6:15 p.m. Video/Discussion re: God's Kingdom
Thursday	June 27	10:00 a.m. Crescendo Exercise Class at First Covenant
Sunday	June 30	9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Pre-Worship Music Set in the Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Monday	July 1	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	July 2	9:30 a.m. <b>SAS</b> Bible Study

### June Birthdays

27 — Peggy Burkeybile  
27 — Daniel Christy  
28 — Rebecca Schaechter  
30 — Finley Vinar

### July Birthdays

2 — Dave Vinar  
5 — Don Peterson

### June Anniversaries

25 — Nick and Lacey Wagner  
30 — Cecil and Carolyn Grimes

### July Anniversaries

2 — Chip and Ethel Hesler

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 40 Worship = 122

## CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

### TODAY, June 23

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

### NEXT WEEK, June 30

Sunday Spark: Victoria Fowler (Rachel Cunningham)  
Sunday Spark Jr.: Dora Beth Christy (Natalie Hermann)  
Nursery: Elizabeth Peterson and Mary Christy

### MOWING SCHEDULE

June 29..... Cecil Grimes and Nick Wagner  
July 6..... Tom Dang and Giao Luong