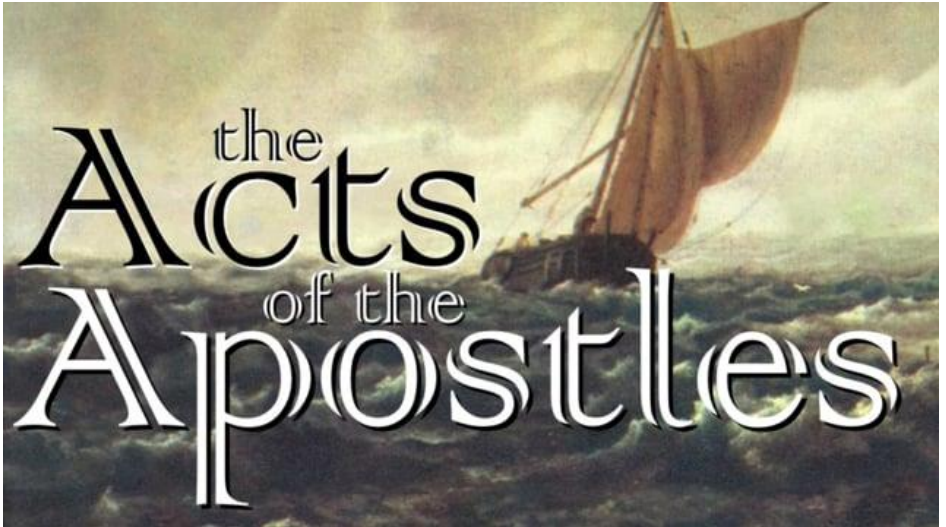


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
July 21, 2019



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

July 21, 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

Ethel Hesler

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace. — Romans 8:6

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

Silver Book, p. 151

"Your Great Name"

"It is Well"

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

Acts 5:17-21a; 27-32

*Scripture Reader, Chip Hesler
(Red Bibles p. 1144)*

MESSAGE

"Experiencing Acts: Civil Disobedience"

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

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>2 Peter 3:9</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Proverbs 10:3</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Jude 1:24-25</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Psalms 86:5</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Isaiah 41:17</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Psalms 149:4</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Colossians 3:4</i>

TODAY'S GREETERS

Becky Reynolds and Rollie Potts

HEAD USHER

Mike Hermann

USHERS

Chris Carsell, Jim Nelson, Ethel Hesler

SOUND SYSTEM

Tom Lancial

POWER POINT VIDEO

Josh Parrott

Sermon Notes
July 21, 2019
“Experiencing Acts: Civil Disobedience”
Acts 5:17-21a; 27-32

Key Text: “... do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more... Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him.” (Luke 12:4-5)

Key Thought: As the apostles did, we must fear God more than any human threat, and boldly proclaim our faith in Christ

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Forceful persecution (vv. 17-18) (cf. Acts 4:1-22; 7:54-60; 8:1-3; 12:1-19; 13:50; 14:5, 19; 16:19-40; 17:5,13; 18:12; 19:23-41; 20:3; 21:27-28:31)
- 3) **ANGELIC** intervention (vv. 19-20) cf. Gen. 16:7-12; 21:17-19; Dan. 3:25; 6:22; Acts 12:7-10)
- 4) **FEARING** God, not men (vv. 21,29,42) (cf. Ps. 23:4; Isa. 8:12-13; Ps. 91; Pr. 29:25; Lk. 12:4-5; 1 Pt. 3:14)
- 5) Gamaliel’s **CALMING** wisdom (vv. 34-39) (cf. Jdg. 8:1-3; Pr. 12:18; Eph. 4:29)
- 6) **REJOICING** in suffering (v. 41) (cf. Mt. 5:10-12; Lk. 6:22-23; Php. 2:17-18; Col. 1:24; 1 Pt. 4:13)
- 7) **CIVIL** disobedience (v. 29) (Contrast Rom. 13:1-2 & 1 Pt. 2:17 with Ex. 1:17 & Acts 4:19)
- 8) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Are you willing to face persecution for your faith in Christ? Have you strengthened your faith so that you can remain faithful?
- Would you be afraid to participate in civil disobedience for Jesus’ sake? Does your fear of God dwarf any fear of human authorities?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Anna Swanson is back in her own home after being in the hospital and rehab.

Prayer Concerns: Elizabeth Peterson and Sandy Parrott as they go to North Park University July 21-28 to attend the Spiritual Direction course.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Greg & Kristi Fauss

Serving in Germany. Ministries include: Church Planting, Evangelism and Outreach, Christian Formation and Discipleship, Refugee Support, Leadership Development

Our goals for the coming year include taking the first steps towards starting an intercultural missional community in another neighborhood.



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.

♪ *Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known.* ♪

Congregational Meeting next Sunday, July 28 following the church service.



Don't forget to return your Covenant World Relief soup cans or make a donation through your offering envelope and mark it "CWR."



To learn more about Covenant World Relief and their ministries check out the bulletin board, the table in the gathering area, or

<https://covchurch.org/cwr>

Thank you for your participation!

Embrace

On Sunday evening, **July 28, 2019**, at 6:00 p.m. we will be presenting an Embrace webinar. Embrace is a suite of human sexuality discipleship resources and learning experiences which are in harmony with the adopted position of the Evangelical Covenant Church (ECC), the center of which is "Faithfulness in heterosexual marriage, celibacy in singleness—these constitute the Christian standard."

A special emphasis of Embrace is equipping our church to flourish in love for LGBTQ+/SSA/sexual minority individuals and communities. Embrace resources will be progressively curated and created by Make and Deepen Disciples. Join us to increase in your learning and understanding of these delicate and controversial issues.



SPLASH

SPLASH has been cancelled for the month of July. We'll see you **August 24** at our next meeting!

Youth Hope Back-to-School Bash

On **August 3, 2019**, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Youth Hope is holding their “Back to School Bash.” They will have food and fun activities and will also be distributing backpacks and school supplies. If you would like to donate school supplies, bring them to the church by **Thursday, August 1** or to Youth Hope by noon on **August 2**. There is a list of needed supplies in today’s bulletin insert. They also need volunteers on August 2 to help to pack the backpacks and help on August 3 for the bash. Questions or more information, call the Youth Hope office at 762-4577.

GriefShare

The GriefShare team will once again be holding a 13-week GriefShare series starting **Sunday, August 18**, at **3:00 p.m.** here at the church. If you or someone you know is dealing with grief, please consider attending. Many have been helped by the education and support that is provided. The only cost is \$20.00 for the workbook.

Topics that are covered include:

1. Is This Normal?
2. Challenges of Grief
3. The Journey of Grief — Part 1
4. The Journey of Grief — Part 2
5. Grief and Your Relationships
6. Why?
7. Guilt and Anger
8. Complicating Factors
9. Stuck
10. Lessons of Grief — Part 1
11. Lessons of Grief — Part 2
12. Heaven
13. What do I live for now?

There is a sign-up sheet and information on the gathering area table. Feel free to share it. GriefShare facilitators are: Juanita Arellanos, Karen Bowling, Kathy Henderson, Mary Murphy, and Sandy Parrott. They will be happy to answer any questions you might have. Check out GriefShare at:

www.griefshare.org

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, **August 31, 2019**, Elim will be holding a prayer retreat at the church from 9:00 a.m. to noon with a luncheon to follow. More details to come.

Looking Ahead

Sunday	July 21	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 22	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	July 23	<i>No SAS Bible Study</i> 5:30 p.m. RESTART Program
Wednesday	July 24	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner 6:00 p.m. SPARK and Axis 6:15 p.m. Videos and Discussions about God's Kingdom
Thursday	July 25	9:30 a.m. Crescendo Crunch at First Covenant
Saturday	July 27	11:00 a.m. Jonnie McDermant funeral and lunch
Sunday	July 28	9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Pre-Worship Music Set in the Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 12:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting 6:00 p.m. Embrace Session

July Birthdays

21 — *Alaina Ellis*

23 — *Arlene Miller*

31 — *Gary Hansen*

31 — *Pastor Steve Peterson*

August Birthdays

1 — *Linda Gilmour*

3 — *Brandon Dang*

August Anniversaries

6 — *Bill and Cindy Minard*

10 — *Marc and Leonna Ellis*

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 27 Worship = 96

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, July 21

Sunday Spark and Spark Jr. combined:

Elizabeth Peterson (Ashley Parrott and Sandy Parrott)

Nursery: Diana Wood and Rachel Luong

NEXT WEEK, July 28

Sunday Spark: Scott Fowler (Mary Parrott)

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

Nursery: Abby Peterson and Amanda Le

MOWING SCHEDULE

July 27 Jim Nelson and Mike Hermann

August 3 Don Peterson and Don Yoeckel