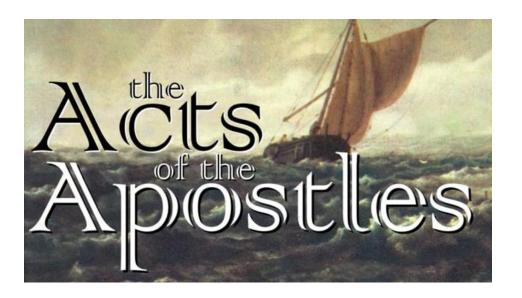
ELIM COVENANT CHURCH July 28, 2019



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION July 28, 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

(see insert)

"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" "King of My Heart" "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 6:8-15; 7:51-60

Scripture Reader, Jim Carsell (Red Bibles p. 1145)

MESSAGE

"Experiencing Acts: A Witness to Stephen's Martyrdom"

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

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

(see insert)

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday Psalms 31:23 Monday 1 John 1:5

Tuesday 2 Corinthians 1:7
Wednesday Romans 1:16
Thursday Isaiah 43:1
Friday Psalms 16:8

Saturday Deuteronomy 30:9-10

TODAY'S GREETERS
HEAD USHER
USHERS
SOUND SYSTEM
POWER POINT VIDEO

Becky Reynolds and Rollie Potts
Mike Hermann

Chris Carsell, Jim Nelson, Ethel Hesler Don Yoeckel

Jon Yoeckel Josh Parrott

Sermon Notes July 28, 2019

"Experiencing Acts; A Witness to Stephen's Martyrdom" Acts 6:8-15; 7:51-60

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: To God for the many blessings He bestows on us that we so often take for granted.

Prayer Concerns: The elderly and homeless during summer heat.

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:

Carl & Karen Groot

Serving in Thailand. Ministries include: Church Planting, Evangelism and Outreach, Business as Mission

In the coming year we're looking forward to home assignment, our youngest daughter Bethany's graduation from college, the arrival of our fourth grandchild in August, and for Karen, being at the PNWC Women's Retreat in September.



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.

The Lord has heard my cry for mercy; the Lord accepts my prayer.

—Psalm 6:9

Congregational Meeting today following the church service.

Embrace

Tonight 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.

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will be *Saturday*, *August 3* at *8:00 a.m*. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the gathering area.



Help Wanted



We need your help cleaning the church!

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 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
Monday	July 29	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	July 30	9:30 a.m. <i>SAS</i> Bible Study
		5:30 p.m. RESTART Program
Wednesday	July 31	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	August 1	9:30 a.m. Crescendo Crunch at First Covenant
Saturday	August 3	8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
Sunday	August 4	9:00 a.m. Sunday School
		10:15 a.m. Pre-Worship Music Set in the Sanctuary
		10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service

<u> July Birthdays</u>

31 — Gary Hansen 31 — Pastor Steve Peterson

August Birthdays

1 — Linda Gilmour

3 — Brandon Dang

5 — Pastor Dwayne Brothers

5 — Diane Snipes

6 — John Clarke

6 — Leah Hermann

6 — Thao Luong

August Anniversaries

6 — Bill and Cindy Minard

August Birthdays

8 — Curt Jackson 8 — Shannon Pirmann

10 — Carolyn Grimes

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 23 Worship = 115

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, July 28

Sunday Spark: Scott Fowler (Mary Parrott)

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

Nursery: Abby Peterson and Amanda Le

NEXT WEEK, August 4

Sunday Spark: Victoria Fowler (John Thompson) Sunday Spark Jr.: Dora Beth Christy (Meg Bear) Nursery: Cheryl Bear and Rachel Peterson

MOWING SCHEDULE

August 3	Don Peterson and Don Yoeckel
August 10	Cecil Grimes and Nick Wagner