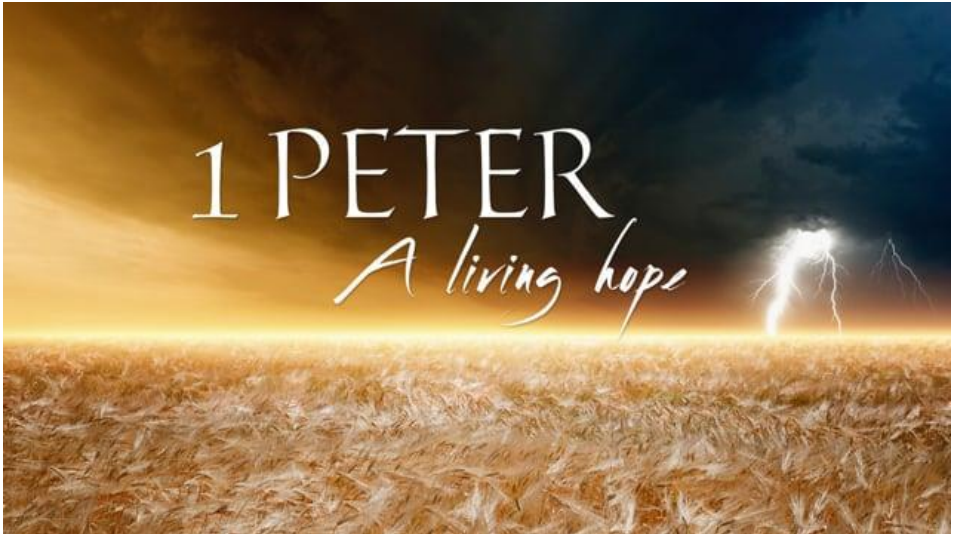


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

April 26, 2020



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

April 26, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Elim's mission statement:

"To develop leaders who will impact the world for Christ."

Due to the spread of the coronavirus, until further notice we will be worshipping via the internet. Go to elimqc.org/eoo for a video recording of today's service.

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

– 2 Peter 2:9

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"He Lives"

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

"Old Rugged Cross"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Feel free to mail your offering to the church or make an online donation at elimqc.org. Just follow the links. If you need assistance contact the church office.

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

1 Peter 2:13-14

MESSAGE

“Submission to Authorities”

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 passionately loves.

WORSHIP SONG

“How Great Thou Art”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Psalms 30:5</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 7:14</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Luke 11:28</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Psalms 145:15-16</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Isaiah 41:13</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Psalm 9:9</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Deuteronomy 7:9</i>

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

April Birthdays

29 – Chip Hesler
30 – Nick Wagner

April Anniversaries

27 – Amakoe and Abigail Akpla
30 – Gary and Pat Hansen

May Birthdays

2 – Steve Coil
3 – Xander Coryn
8 – Pat Whiting
13 – Lorraine Carsell
15 – Margo Coil

May Anniversaries

15 – Tom and Annette Lancial

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Sermon Notes
April 26, 2020
“Submission to Authorities”
1 Peter 2:13-14

Key Text: *“Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established...”* (Rom. 13:1)

Key Thought: Whether we like them or not, we are called (in most cases) to accept the authority of our government leaders, respect them, and pray for them.

- 1) Intro & Context

- 2) Submitting to authorities (cf. Mt. 22:21; Rom. 13:1-7; Titus 3:1)

- 3) Submitting to bad authorities? (cf. Jer. 27:6-11; 29:4-7)

- 4) When is civil disobedience appropriate? (cf. Ex. 1:17; Acts 4:18-20; 5:27-29; Rev. 14:9-13)

- 5) Shine for God! (cf. Ps. 4:6; Mt. 5:16; Eph. 5:8)

- 6) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Will you respect God’s Word, and show respect and cooperation to your government leaders? Even the ones you don’t like?
- How can you best influence our government system? Is God calling you to participate in peaceful activism? If so, in what area(s)?
- Are you praying for our government officials? Are you praying for revival in our land?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: For our church family. We miss everyone and look forward to the time we can be together again.

Prayer Concerns: Continued prayer for those ravaged by the recent tornadoes and COVID-19.

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
JoAnn Nelsen	Families that have lost loved ones, military families and unspoken concerns.	

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Christopher and Diane Wiebe

Serving in East Asia. Their ministries include youth camp, mentoring education, and publications.

We are looking forward to growing deeper in relationship with camp staff and empowering them in their roles to have an even greater impact on the campers and their families in our community.



Prayer Opportunities

Prayer Chain: Have a prayer need? Call Sandy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. or call or text Tasha Munger at (309) 281-8784 with your request.

I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength. Philippians 4:12-13

FROM THE APRIL 22, 2020,
SERVE GLOBALLY PRAYER CALENDAR

Pray for James & Nyaluak Gai Tang

Please pray for:

- Us as we maneuver ministry and life around COVID-19. Pray for health, protection, provision, and hope for our local partners, for the church in Kenya, and for the communities we serve alongside.
- Our church plant in the town of Nakuru, Kenya, that had recently reached 50-70 members per Sunday before the pandemic. Pray for its sustainability and health during this difficult time.
- Prostate treatment for James.
- Rachel, who has remained in the U.S. for her dietetic treatment.



AND

South Sudan & Ethiopia

Please pray for:

- South Sudan as they have begun seeing cases of COVID-19.
- Ethiopia as a country has now reached over 100 cases of COVID-19.
- Peace in South Sudan. We thank God that the contentious issues of numbers and boundaries of the states have been resolved, but some areas still remain controversial.
- More than two million South Sudanese refugees who have been displaced from home for years and for peace to come so that they can return.



thank you!

“Dear Pastor Steve,

I would like to thank you and the entire clean-up crew for the great job you all did last Saturday cleaning up the tree line bordering both properties. It looks so nice and bright now and I really appreciate your efforts. Please accept this donation to Elim to use wherever it's needed. Sincerely, Karon Titus”

Thank you again for your continued support of Christian Care and YouthHope. We will continue to collect and deliver supplies to Christian Care and Youth Hope.

Supplies needed for Christian Care's sack lunches: bread, sandwich meat, sliced cheese, small bags of chips/pretzels, fruit, and granola bars.

High priority needs include Clorox wipes, bleach, coffee, and dryer sheets.

- Dryer sheets
- Coffee
- Shower cleaner/Lysol
- Pillows
- Black tea, creamer, sugar
- Canned fruit, milk
- Toiletries: lotion, shaving cream, foot powder, hand soap
- Paper products: napkins, toilet paper, paper towels
- Cleaning products: shower cleaner, Windex, dish soap, toilet bowl cleaner, bleach
- Ranch salad dressing, butter
- Pasta noodles, conditioner
- Zip-Loc Bags (sandwich and gallon sized)
- 13- & 39-gallon trash bags
- Bus passes for IA & IL

Supplies needed for Youth Hope:

- crayons
- kids and teen coloring books
- colored pencils with sharpener
- sidewalk chalk
- journals
- games
- craft supplies
- Bibles!

Any questions call the church office and talk to Sandy.

STAYING CONNECTED:
GREETINGS FROM OUR ELIM FAMILY!



Virtual hugs for everyone. Miss you all. – Pat Hudson

Hi to all from Don and Sheila: We miss gathering together on Sunday mornings. We are hopeful that will change soon! Thank you to all who have provided the online praise and worship, that is how we can stay connected for now. Thank you for all who continue to give faithfully and generously with their offerings to Elim, so we can not only continue to pay our bills but can continue to be a help to others in need too! Bless you all.

Hello Elim from the Thompson family! We miss everyone.

Hi Elim Family! Sending hugs! We press on! I can't wait to see everyone again. – Tasha

Hello from Cecil and Carolyn Grimes. We miss seeing all of you!

Greetings everyone from the great state of Iowa and the Bears. Hope you are doing well. We miss you all. Still looking at houses. God bless you.

Hello Elim family! The Jacksons say “hi!”

To my beloved Elim family: Remember “***Faith Over Fear.***” Stay safe and stay home. Love ya and miss you! – Juanita

Hi Elim family! Just wanting to share some encouraging words with y’all. Our Elim family of Christ is truly blessed, for He and He alone created this family. He anointed each and every one of us, and His faith lives within us. Be blessed and look to our Lord, for He and He alone is our Lord and Savior. Amen! We love and miss y’all. Until we are together again, Jon and Tab.

For next week’s “Staying Connected”: Tell me what you are looking forward to once the shelter-in-place order is lifted. Email, message, or call me at the church office with your response.

Thanks! Sandy