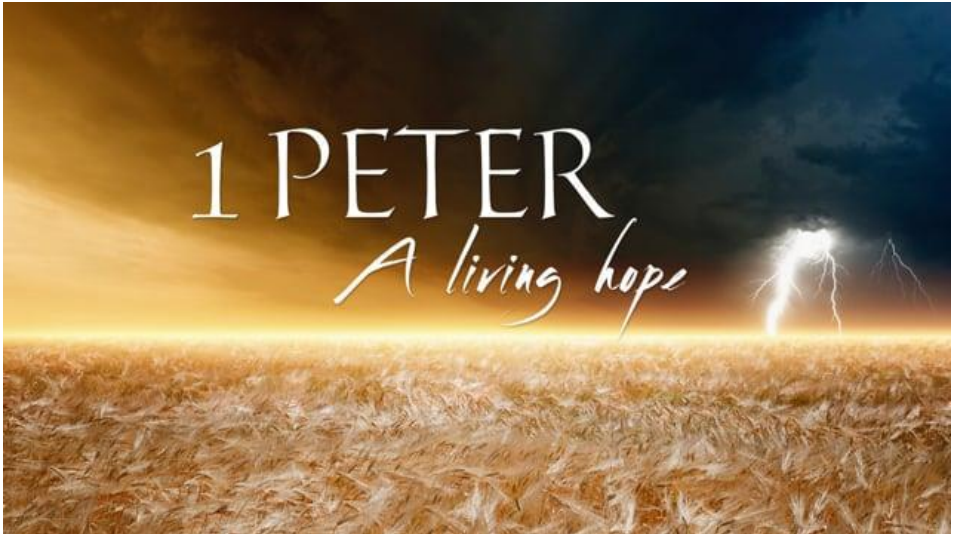


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

May 10, 2020



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

May 10, 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

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed"

1 Peter 2:24

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"When We All Get to Heaven"

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

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 2:16

Scripture Reader, Jean Russell

MESSAGE

“Made Free & Willingly a Slave”

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

“King of My Heart”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Psalms 71:20</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>2 Peter 1:3-4</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Proverbs 8:17</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 2:9</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Joel 2:19</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Psalms 45:6</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Isaiah 55:3</i>

May Anniversaries

May Birthdays

- 13 – Lorraine Carsell*
- 15 – Margo Coil*
- 16 – Juanita Arellanos*
- 16 – Meagan Bear*
- 17 – Dave Christy*
- 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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Sermon Notes
May 10, 2020
“Made Free & Willingly a Slave”
1 Peter 2:16

Key Text: “... you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God...” (Rom. 6:22)

Key Thought: A sincere Christian is surrendered to God, and thus a slave to God, but also experiences great freedoms. God’s power frees us and, as I surrender my life to God, I gladly make myself His slave.

- 1) Intro & Context

- 2) The Christian is free (cf. Jn. 8:31-32, 36; Gal. 5:1) “*Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom*” (2 Cor. 3:17)

- 3) We must not abuse our freedom (cf. Rom. 6:1-14; Gal. 5:13)

- 4) The Christian is God’s slave (Deut. 13:4; Eph. 6:6) “... you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God...” (Rom. 6:22)

- 5) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Do you understand how God makes a person free? And from what He has freed us?
- Are you covering up any sin with the excuse of exercising your freedom?
- Do you understand what it means to surrender to God and make Him Lord (and thus, you as His slave)?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: All mothers, here and with the Lord.

Prayer Concerns: Rodney Ouderkirk and his family at the unexpected passing of his sister, Elizabeth Goodwin.

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	
Lee Kinney	unspoken concerns.	

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Bethany & Erick Abramson

Serving in Sweden. Their ministry is in evangelism and outreach.

If you visited us in our country... We would invite you to our home for fika! Fika is a coffee break often including cinnamon buns, sandwiches, fruits, and veggies. If you wanted to see something amazing, we'd take a day trip to Kullaberg on the North Sea.



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.

"Prayer makes a godly man, and puts within him the mind of Christ, the mind of humility, of self-surrender, of service, of pity, and of prayer. If we really pray, we will become more like God, or else we will quit praying."

- E.M. Bounds

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!



A Prayer for Mother's Day

On this special day set aside to honor mothers we ask for a special touch from the Lord for each and every one of them.

May each mother be granted a special blessing and may all the work of her hands not be forgotten in Your sight.

Let her example be a guiding force in their children's lives, and may wisdom be passed down to the next generation of mothers.

— Amen



THANK YOU!

Thank you, ***Fowler family***, for the pretty cup with flowers.

And to the Elim family for the nice heart that was placed in my yard. What a nice surprise.

Thank you, too, to ***Orlin Johnson*** for bringing me the DVD with the church service. — ***Claudine Patton***

JUST A REMINDER

The word "Reminder" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font on a bright yellow rectangular background that has a slight shadow effect.

Danielle Ogden is collecting plastic grocery bags to make mats for the homeless. Just drop them off at the church office during church office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thanks!

We are also collecting men's jeans (size 29-34) and men's sweatpants (medium and large) for Christian Care. You can also drop those off at the office and we will deliver them for you. Thanks!

CONGRATULATIONS!

On Monday, May 4, 2020, in a private ceremony, **Travis Ferry** and **Cora Swanson** tied the knot at Elim Covenant Church with Pastor Steve officiating.

We wish them our best and God's blessings on them.

Congratulations to the happy couple!



STAYING CONNECTED WITH OUR ELIM FAMILY!



For this week I asked the question: Tell me some of the things you've enjoyed doing while staying home. New hobbies? Did you learn a new skill? Finished old projects? Here are your responses:

This time has brought a blessing to me. I have spent much more time in Bible study and prayer and have seen results from that. I will be glad to get back into groups though. – **Annette Lancial**

I am having fun making mandalas. Look them up if you don't know what they are because I couldn't explain them. I have been making cards and sadly spending too much time doing crosswords. I do not get bored! I do miss seeing people and talking face to face. Looking forward to getting together again. 😊 – **Natalie Hermann**

Tasha Munger told us she organized all her greeting cards. It's a big job and she's still not done.

Recycling old greeting cards into new ones with ribbon bows.
– **Katie Clarke**

Maxine Barnes tells us that she is looking forward to getting outside and doing yard work. She's done some puzzles and cleaned some closets but misses not being able to get out and do her normal activities.

Juanita Arellanos has been working from home these days and enjoying more time with her dog, Furby. He's getting spoiled having her home. She's also keeping busy making facemasks.

Hey Everybody,

Just thought I'd drop in and let you know what the Fowler house has been up to since everything went down. Scott is working from home, we are schooling the kids through the rest of the school year, raising baby chicks as well as 12 egg layers, doing church videos remotely and trying to survive being cooped up! We've found new hobbies such as rock painting, jewelry making and epoxy creating! We have loved it the few days that we've had sunshine and have been able to go for walks. It has been full busy days here. Praying everyone else has adjusted well and are keeping busy too.

— Blessings from the **Fowler House**



Meagan and Doc

Most of you know I am a animal lover. I work with animals all day and then come home to my own pets. During COVID we had to move and have been living with my uncle who has horses. I live in a zoo. 7 horses, 6 adults, 5 cats and a dog. I couldn't be happier. The highlight of my day is after dinner going out to the barn and spending time with my extra-large babies.

— **Meagan Bear**

For next week's "Staying Connected": What are some lessons you have learned from sheltering in place? What changes have you had to make because of it? Email, message, or call me at the church office with your response.

Thanks! Sandy