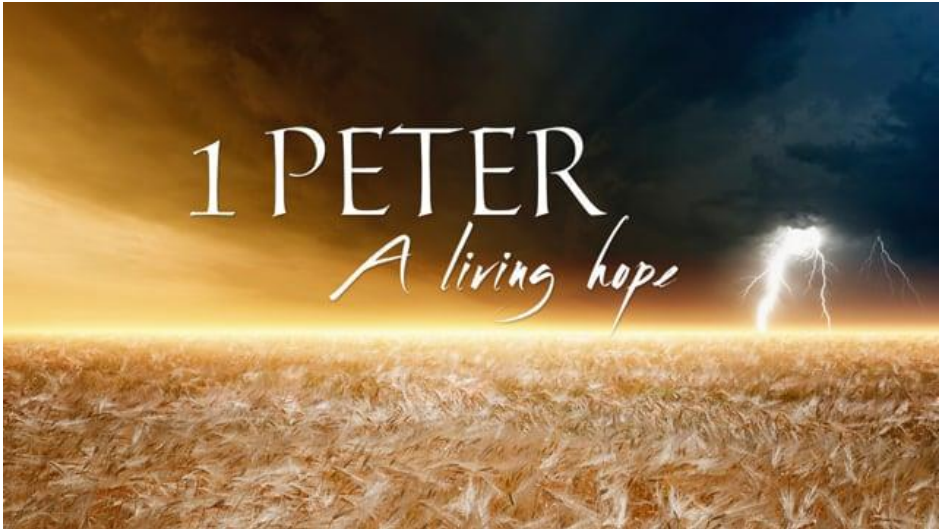


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

July 26, 2020



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

July 26, 2020

10:30 a.m.

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

The service is also being live-streamed and recorded, for immediate or later viewing, and can be accessed at

elimqc.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"Be Thou My Vision"

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

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 4:8-11

MESSAGE

“On Love and Service”

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

“Mighty to Save”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Psalms 149:4</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Colossians 3:4</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Psalms 31:23</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>1 John 1:5</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 1:7</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Romans 1:16</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Isaiah 43:1</i>

July Birthdays

31 – Gary Hansen

31 – Pastor Steve Peterson

August Anniversaries

6 – Bill and Cindy Minard

10 – Marc and Leonna Ellis

10 – Bob and Karen Bowling

August Birthdays

1 – Linda Gilmour

3 – Amakoe Akpla

3 – Brandon Dang

5 – Pastor Dwayne Brothers

5 – Diane Snipes

6 – John Clarke

6 – Leah Hermann

6 – Thao Luong

8 – Curt Jackson

8 – Shannon Pirmann

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Sermon Notes
July 26, 2020
“On Love and Service”
1 Peter 4:8-11

Key Text: “... *serve one another humbly in love*” (Gal. 5:13)

Key Thought: We are called to love one another deeply, and to serve one another through the gifting God has given us.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Love **DEEPLY** (v. 8a) (cf. Jn. 15:13; Rom. 12:9-10; 1 Pt. 1:22)
- 3) Covering **SINS** (v. 8b) (cf. Ps. 32:1-5; Pr. 10:12; Ja. 5:20)
- 4) Offer **HOSPITALITY** (v. 9) (cf. Rom. 12:13; Heb. 13:2; 1 Jn. 1:5-8)
- 5) Serving through **GIFTS** (vv. 10-11)
 - a. Faithful **STEWARDS** (v. 10b) (cf. Mt. 25:14-30; 1 Cor. 4:1-2)
 - b. In **SPEECH**: (v. 11a) (cf. 1 Sam. 3:13; Col. 3:16-17)
 - c. Drawing from God’s **STRENGTH** (v. 11b) (cf. Ps. 18:32-33; Isa. 41:10)
 - d. All for God’s **PRAISE** and **GLORY**! (v. 11c) (cf. Ps. 29:1-2; Rom. 11:36; Rev. 4:11)
- 6) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- How deep is your love toward others? What is needed to increase the love in you?
- Are you being a faithful steward of your God-given gifts, to serve others? Where is the Spirit prompting you to serve?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: God is good. All the time. All the time. God is good.

Prayer Concerns: Our condolences and prayers go out to Karen Johnson and her family at the passing of her father Chester, and to Richard Spencer and his family at the passing of his dad, Alvin.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

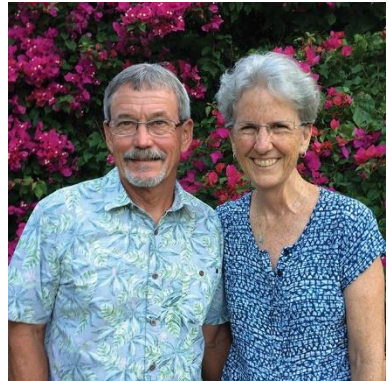
Earl Burklund	Arlene Miller	Margaret Hasty
Anna Swanson	Jay and Judie Stanley	Margaret Crandall
Tasha Munger	Iva Cutler	Beverly Reese
JoAnn Nelsen	Gary Wells	

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Aleta & Roy Danforth

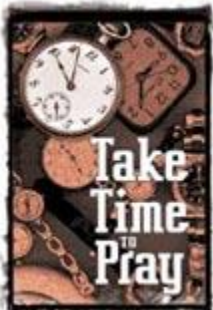
Aleta and Roy serve in Central African Republic. Although they will be officially retiring after their year of home assignment this year, they will be returning to the Back 2 Eden farm.



“You see, we will be back on this farm during our retirement, keeping on with community outreach, hoping to keep on sharing God’s love every way that we can.” Thumbs up for Aleta and Roy! Check out their blog at <http://blogs.covchurch.org/danforth>.

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 is not what is done by us, but rather what is done by the Holy Spirit in us. – Henri Nouwen

Best Neighbor/Member Award

Jean Russell is not only a member of Elim Covenant Church. She is also a wonderful neighbor who looks out after us. Recently we had a delivery that was due on a Friday.



No one is usually around on Friday, so I told Jean about it and asked her to let me know if she saw a delivery truck. As usual, Jean came through for us.

Not only did she see the truck pull up, she waved them down before they would have a chance to leave, taking the package with them. She told them who she was and offered to open the church door so that they could safely leave the package.

It had been a beautiful day, so Jean sat out on her patio watching for them. That was way beyond the call of duty! Thank you so much Jean! You are the best!

From Women's Fall Fellowship

During these times we have had to turn inward and weigh heavily the pros and cons of hosting our Annual Fall Retreat this year. Our hearts are heavy yet remain full of compassion. Because of the uncertainty of the duration of this pandemic, the Women's Ministry of the Central Conference has decided that it would respectfully honor the safety of each and every one of you, to postpone our annual Fall Fellowship until 2021. The new dates are September 10-12, 2021.

This has always been a highlight of the year for Covenant Harbor. We are sad to miss this opportunity to gather together, but we are excited to see you all here together again next year!

Study Opportunities

Feeling disconnected these days? Feeling the need for fellowship and some good, spiritual food? Why not join a Sunday School class or Bible study.

There are three Sunday School classes. There's a men's class led by Mike Hermann, a women's class led by Julie Wells, and a mixed class led by Chip Hesler.



There are two mid-week Bible study groups. Ethel Hesler leads a Bible study on Tuesday mornings and Julie Wells leads a women's Bible study on

Tuesday evenings. So, we have many opportunities for spiritual growth.

Not ready to join a group yet? Don't forget RightNow Media where you can find family-friendly resources for Bible studies, Christian entertainment and growth. Here is the address to get registered under the Elim account:

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/ELIMCC>

Also, check out the YouVersion Bible app. You will find some excellent reading plans there, also. Some of their topics include trust, faith, grace, encouragement, humility, leadership, work, forgiveness, addiction, health, suffering—just to name a few.

And if you can't make it to church on Sunday morning, don't forget to tune in online at www.elimqc.org/eoo. And don't forget to give someone a call you haven't seen for a while. That's a great way to stay connected, and they would love to hear from you.

Looking Ahead

Sunday	July 26	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Monday	July 27	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	July 28	9:30 a.m. SAS Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study
Wednesday	July 29	8:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 10:00 a.m. Mats for the Homeless
Thursday	July 30	9:15 a.m. Keenagers Bible Study 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
Sunday	August 2	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Monday	August 3	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering

Attendance Last Week

Thursday Worship Service = 7

Sunday School = 21

Sunday Worship = 43; 15+ from home

If you are unable to attend services in person and are watching online, please let us know so that we can count you in our attendance.



Pregnancy Resources

Baby bottles are due back to the church by **tomorrow, July 27**. Thank you for your support.

You can also give online any time. Visit

www.qcpregnancypartners.org/donate.

Click the "Give Now" button and complete the form. In the "Anything else you would like to add" box, type "BB2020-Elim."

Or you can text "Give" to (844) 967-2199. Follow the link, complete the form, and choose "ELIM" next to the amount. Thank you for your support and love for babies and their parents.