

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

November 8, 2020



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION
November 8, 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

*"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever."*

— Psalm 118:1

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"Power in the Blood"

"Wonderful Merciful Savior"

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

Psalm 133; John 17:20-23

MESSAGE

“Christian Unity”

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

“O Come to the Altar”

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Psalms 73:26</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Galatians 3:14</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Romans 8:26</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Psalms 57:10</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Hebrews 13:5</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>John 15:8</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Acts 10:43</i>

November Birthdays

*8 – JoAnn Nelsen
8 – Pam Thompson
12 – Beverly Reese
12 – Brooks Ellis
16 – Martin Bear*

November Birthdays

*17 – Ryan Wood
17 – Richard Spencer
18 – Carolyn Carsell
19 – Ashley Cosgrove
26 – Abigail Akpla*

Sermon Notes
November 8, 2020
“Christian Unity”
Psalm 133; John 17:20-23

Key Text: *“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace”* (Eph. 4:3)

Key Thought: God wants us to think, act and unite on a higher level, responding to His high calling.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Called to **UNITY** (cf. Ps. 133; Jn. 17:20-23; 1 Cor. 1:10; 12:25)
- 3) When **DIVISION** is necessary (cf. Mt. 18:17; 1 Cor. 5:11; 11:18-19; Titus 3:10; 2 Jn. 7-11)
- 4) **PRIORITIES** for unity
 - a. God’s **SPIRIT** (cf. Jer. 32:39; Rom. 15:5; Eph. 4:3)
 - b. Love (cf. Jn. 13:34-35; Rom. 12:10; 1 Ths. 4:9-10; 1 Pt. 1:22; 1 Jn. 4:7,11)
 - c. **HUMILITY** (cf. Rom. 12:3, 10, 16; 1 Cor. 3:18; Gal. 5:13; Eph. 4:2; Php. 2:3-4)
 - d. Forgiveness (cf. Mt. 6:14-15; Eph. 4:32; Col. 3:13)
 - e. Truth (cf. Jn. 3:21; 4:24; Eph. 4:25; 1 Jn. 1:6-7)
 - f. **CONFLICT** management (cf. Mt. 18:15-17; Php. 4:2-3; Phm. 8-21)
- 5) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- How important is it to God that His followers be united? What are non-essential issues for unity? What are essential?
- Where do we draw the line on unity? With whom do we need to maintain distance and/or division?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Elections are over!

Prayer Concerns: COVID, especially in poorer countries where the threat is greater and resources are fewer.

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	Felipe Cantu	Beverly Reese
JoAnn Nelsen	Gary Wells	

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Jamie & Meejeen Kim

Jamie and Meejeen serve in South Korea. Their ministries include: Leadership Development, Prayer Mobilization, Teaching and Training

My favorite thing to do on a weekend night when the evening is not too cold, I love to ride my bike by the Han River which divides the capital city of Seoul in half.



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.

You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast because they trust in you.

– Isaiah 26:3



SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our *Surviving the Holidays* seminar helps participants prepare for the holidays and even discover hope for the future. It will be held **this afternoon**, from **2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** There is no charge for this seminar. Come. Bring a friend. It's a great opportunity to receive help or to help a friend who is grieving.



GriefShare will start next **Sunday, November 15**, from **2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** and will run for 13 weeks, taking breaks for holidays. Your only cost is \$20.00 for the workbook.

There are sign-up sheets and more information on the table in the gathering area. We will practice social distancing guidelines. Questions? See Sandy Parrott, Kathy Henderson, Mary Murphy or Karen Bowling.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Collection for the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox starts **Monday, November 16**. Please mark off on the sign-up sheet that you have returned your box.



Elim will once again be a drop-off location. Dates for collection are **November 16-23, 2020**. We will need volunteers to assist in the collection. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the gathering area. There will be volunteers from

Samaritan's Purse to assist you. Thanks!



DAYTIME TRIVIA

Join us **Tuesday, November 17**, at **11:00 a.m.** for Daytime Trivia. It's a great time of fellowship and fun, and you can still practice social distancing.



S.P.L.A.S.H.

Ladies — just a reminder — **S.P.L.A.S.H.** meets this ***Saturday, November 14***, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. instead of the normal fourth Saturday. Please join us!!

Friday Night at the Movies



L.J. getting ready for Movie Night.



Movie on the big screen in the parking lot.



Natalie Hermann, preparing snacks for the evening.

Looking Ahead

Sunday	November 8	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 2:00 p.m. "Surviving the Holidays" seminar
Monday	November 9	1:00 p.m. Good News Club 5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	November 10	9:30 a.m. SAS Bible Study
Wednesday	November 11	10:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 1:00 p.m. Good News Club 5:45 p.m. Axis
Thursday	November 12	9:15 a.m. Keenagers 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
	November 14	9:00 a.m. S.P.L.A.S.H.
Sunday	November 15	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service

Attendance Last Week

Thursday Worship = 13; Sunday Worship = 70
22 views on YouTube; Sunday School = 24



The Christian Care needs continue. Please consider picking up some supplies for them the next time you are at the store. Bring them to the church and we will deliver them for you. Thanks! And thank you, **Don** and **Jane Peterson** for making those deliveries for us!

- Coffee
- Creamer
- Sugar
- Mayo
- Pasta
- Napkins
- Plastic Silverware
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Hats
- Bleach
- Toilet Cleaner
- Razors
- Shaving Cream
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Bar Soap
- Laundry Soap
- Gloves
- Coats
- Sweatshirts
- Sweatpants
- Shoes
- Underwear
- Socks
- Body Wash
- Ranch/BBQ
- Hoodies

Gently worn, clean, ready-to-wear fall and winter jackets/coats are now being accepted.