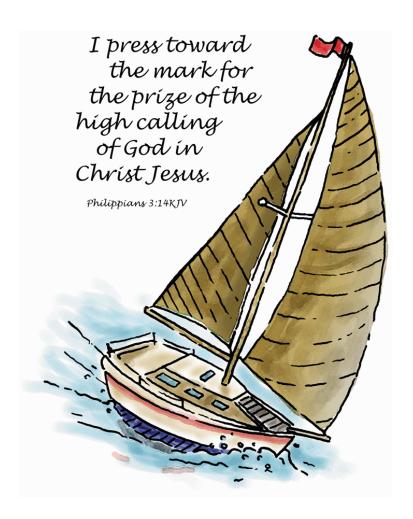
# ELIM COVENANT CHURCH January 3, 2021



# **Elim Covenant Church**

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# WORSHIP CELEBRATION January 3, 2021 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 <a href="mailto:elimqc.org">elimqc.org</a>

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERING**

# **MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

"And live a life of love..."

— Ephesians 5:2

# **ADORATION TO GOD**

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

# **WORSHIP SONGS**

# **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

2 Corinthians 3:17-18

# **MESSAGE**

# "On Godliness" By Pastor Steve Peterson

#### **PRAYERS TO GOD**

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

# **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Call to Communion
Invitation to the Lord's Table for the Sharing of the Bread and Cup

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### **BEING SENT BY GOD**

God sends us out into the world that He passionately loves.

#### WORSHIP SONG

#### BENEDICTION

# 52-Week Bible Reading Plan

Sunday	Epistles	Romans 3-4
Monday	The Law	Genesis 4-7
Tuesday	History	Joshua 6-10
Wednesday	Psalms	Psalms 3-5
Thursday	Poetry	Job 3-4
Friday	Prophecy	Isaiah 7-11
Saturday	Gospels	Matthew 3-4

A copy of the full reading plan is on the table in the gathering area.

# **January Birthdays**

1 – Kinsey Knary

7 – Victoria Fowler

9 – Sandy Parrott

10 – Anna Christy

15 – Rebecca Christy

15 – Tom Wirtz

15 – Graham Wood

#### **January Birthdays**

16 – Natalie Hermann 17 – Byron Reynolds 17 – Judie Stanley

# <u> January Anniversaries</u>

8 – Jeff and Mary Parrott

# Sermon Notes January 3, 2021 "On Godliness" 2 Corinthians 3:17-18

**Key Text:** "For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come" (1 Tim. 4:8)

**Key Thought:** This new year, make "growth in godliness" one of your resolutions

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Restoring the IMAGE of God
- 3) Developing Godliness
  - a. PRAYER (cf. Mk. 1:35; Eph. 6:18; 1 Ths. 5:17)
  - b. Trust (cf. Ps. 13:5; Pr. 3:5-6; Rom. 15:13)
  - c. <u>MEDITATION</u> on God's Word (cf. Deut. 11:18-20; Ps. 119:11; Col. 3:16)
  - d. Obedience (cf. Deut. 28:1; Ps. 119:60; Mt. 28:20; Jn. 14:23-24)
  - e. <u>DEPENDENCE</u> on the Holy Spirit (cf. Jn. 14:15-18; Rom. 8:1-17; Eph. 5:18)
  - f. Giving (cf. Deut. 15:10; Mt. 10:8b; 1 Cor. 4:2)
  - g. FORGIVENESS (cf. Mt. 6:14-15; Eph. 4:32; Col. 3:13)
- 4) Conclusion

#### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Do you desire to have God's image restored in you? Or are you satisfied with a broken or faulty image?
- Will you commit to a block of time to prayerfully and creatively developing a plan, that you might develop the habits of godliness?

# **PRAYER PAGE**

**Praises:** Our hope in Christ as we journey through a new year.

**Prayer Concerns:** Felipe Cantu's back surgery in Iowa City on

January 6.

# 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 Belva VanNorman

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

## **Pray for Covenant Missionaries**:

#### Fabio Muniz & Johnna Hayward Muniz

Fabio and Johnna serve in France. Their ministries include Outreach, Leadership Development, and Refugee Support.

We knew we were called here when we saw that many of the languages spoken here are those we've studied or been exposed to.





# **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 from the heart is like dialing 911. It is God's system for emergency response." – *Throne Room Prayer*,

Brian and Candace Simmons

# Thank-You

**Pastor Steve** and his family thank everyone for the many cards, Christmas wishes and gifts that so many gave. We feel so loved and blessed by you all and blessed by God to be honored to serve

such a great church family!

Thank you! God bless you and yours!

Dear Elim Family,

Many thanks for the very nice gifts brought to me by Judy Martel from Elim.

I thank everyone who helped putting all of the gifts together. How caring and thoughtful. It is very much appreciated. Everything is delicious and useful too. God bless all! Wishing you Happy Holidays.

In Christian love, Lorraine Carsell

P.S. Thank you for the weekly bulletins.

# **New Church Directory**

The new church directory is finished and ready for you to pick up in the church office.



# **New Church Office Hours**

Beginning January 4, 2021, the church office will be open *Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.* 



# **Central Conference E-Newsletter**

December 2020

# Christmas Greetings from the Central Conference of the ECC

Greetings Covenant Family in the Central Conference:

What a year this has been. We are hoping for a better year in 2021. Yet, we remember God is faithful and the Central Conference has seen his mercies throughout 2020, and we will see them in 2021.

We are extremely grateful for your partnership and pray for your continued partnership in 2021. We deeply believe that we are better together in Jesus Christ! We continue to trust God to provide through your prayers and faithful contribution. It is difficult to think about moving forward with so much instability. However, we are trusting that God will make a way.

Please know that the Central Conference staff is at your service. We are praying for you and all the Covenanters of the Central Conference. We hope to be able to meet in person again very soon and we look forward to that opportunity.

We wish you a blessed Christmas, as we rejoice in the coming of the promised Savior and King, Jesus Christ. May God fill us with his hope, joy, peace, and love in this season.

Much love at Christmas and as we welcome a new year,

# Pastor Danny

Rev. Dr. Danny Martinez Superintendent of the Central Conference of the ECC

# **Looking Ahead**

Sunday	January 3	9:15 a.m. Sunday School	
Surracy	juitually 0	10:30 a.m. Worship Celebrat	ion Service
Monday	January 4	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gath	
Tuesday	January 5	9:30 a.m. <i>SAS</i> Bible Study	
Wednesday	January 6	9:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer N	<b>l</b> leeting
Sunday	January 10	9:15 a.m. Sunday School	J
-		10:30 a.m. Worship Celebrat	ion Service
		2:00 p.m. GriefShare	

# **Attendance Last Week**

Sunday Worship = 36 50 views on YouTube; Sunday School/Children's Church = 18



Visit Christian Care's Amazon Wish List to see their ongoing needs. You can place an order online. With a \$25.00 order it will be shipped free to Christian Care. It doesn't get any easier than that. Due to space capacity, they are currently accepting clothing donations of men's winter coats, gloves, hoodies, and men's jeans (Sizes 32-34). Personal hygiene and food always accepted.

Bring your donations to the church and we will deliver them for you.

Cleaning Supplies Needed	Kitchen Needs List		
Glass Cleaner			
Toilet Paper	Pasta	Butter	
Napkins	Mayo	Milk Ranch Dressing	
Paper Towels	BBQ	Garlic Powder	
Disinfectant cleaner	Coffee	Cream of chicken soup	
36-gallon trash bags	Pepper	Cream of mushroom	
Toilet bowl cleaner	Sugar	soup	
Oven cleaner	Creamer	Hot sauce	
Bleach		Plastic spoons and	
Reusable latex gloves		forks	
(kitchen style)			
Fabulouso			
Laundry detergent			