# **ELIM COVENANT CHURCH** February 21, 2021



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# WORSHIP CELEBRATION February 21, 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 elimac.org

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **OFFERING**

#### MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith" — 1 Timothy 1:5

# **ADORATION TO GOD**

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

#### WORSHIP SONGS

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" "The Old Rugged Cross" "Jesus Loves Me"

#### **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

# **MESSAGE**

# "To Love Well: Love's Pursuits, Pt. 1" 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

"Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"

#### BENEDICTION

# 52-Week Bible Reading Plan

Sunday	Epistles	1 Corinthians 1-2
Monday	The Law	Genesis 32-35
Tuesday	History	Judges 17-21
Wednesday	Psalms	Psalms 24-26
Thursday	Poetry	Job 17-18
Friday	Prophecy	Isaiah 45-50
Saturday Gospels		Matthew 23-25

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

#### <u>February Birthdays</u>

23 – Tasha Munger

23 – Lexi Coryn

27 – Dustin Goderis

28 – Jessica Sandholm

29 – Kathy Brothers

#### **March Birthdays**

1 – Skylar-Vienna Jackson

3 – Cheryl Bear

6 – Margaret Hasty

7 – Carol Jacks

7 – Brianna Peterson

#### **March Anniversaries**

1 – Dan and Dori Cosgrove

9 - Tom and Marie Dang

# Sermon Notes February 21, 2021

# "To Love Well: Love's Pursuits, Pt. 1" Ephesians 3:14-21

**Key Text:** "Do everything in love" (1 Cor. 16:14)

**Key Thought:** We are called to love, and the first and primary ones we are to love are God, our family and our church family

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1)	Intro & Context			
2)	Love for <u>GOD</u> (cf. Deut. 6:5; Mk. 12:29-30)			
3)	Love for <u>FAMILY</u> (cf. Deut. 5:16; Eph. 5:33; 6:4; 1 Tim. 5:8)			
4)	Love for CHURCH (cf. Jn. 13:14,34; Rom. 12:10; Eph. 4:32; 1 Pt. 1:22)			
5)	Conclusion			

#### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Are you loving God on your own terms? Or according to His?
- Are you managing your relational priorities according to God's design?
- What one or two steps can you take to love better those in your primary circles?

# **PRAYER PAGE**

**Praises:** The Lenten season.

**Prayer Concerns:** Rodney and Judy Ouderkirk and their family at the passing of his son, Evan Ouderkirk.

#### Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

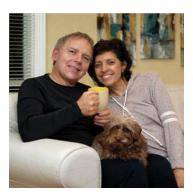
Earl Burklund Arlene Miller Margaret Hasty
Anna Swanson Jay and Judie Stanley Margaret Crandall
Tasha Munger Felipe Cantu Beverly Reese
JoAnn Nelsen Gary Wells Belva VanNorman

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

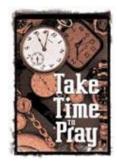
#### **Pray for Covenant Missionaries**:

# **Lisandro and Patty Restrepo**

Lisandro and Patty serve in Mexico. Their ministries include: Leadership Development; Christian Formation; Community Development; Evangelism; Violence Prevention and Intervention



We knew we were called here when we visited for the first time in 2000 and witnessed the impact that the Covenant Church was making through Christian Community Development and holistic ministries.



# **Prayer Opportunities**

**Prayer Chain:** Have a prayer need? Call Sandy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. or call or text Tasha Munger at (309) 281-8784 with your request.

Prayer is the exquisite privilege of looking inside of God.

- Throne Room Prayer, Brian and Candice Simmons

# Jr. Sparks' Wishlist

The leaders of Jr. Sparks are looking for the following supplies for their craft projects. You can drop them off at the church office during office hours (Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) or bring them on a Sunday morning.



20-22 oz. tin cans Silver frozen orange iuice lids 1"-2" colored buttons Stick-on velcro strips

Gallon-size ziplock bags Bells Parmesan cheese containers

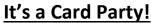
Questions? See Natalie Hermann.



# **Daytime Trivia**

This Tuesday, February 23, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Cindy *Minard* is holding another smaller Trivia for individuals and teams very spread out in our fellowship hall. If interested, call or text *Cindy* 

at 309-236-2537. We would love to have you join us for a day away from "cabin fever."





Margaret Hasty will be 100 years old on March 6! Her family would like to honor her by having a "card party" for her.

Send her a card at:

Margaret Hasty c/o Bev Hart 1068 Bluff Lane LeClaire, IA 52753



# **Iron Sharpens Iron**

The men's *Iron Sharpens Iron* conference will be held on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at the Coram Deo Bible Church in Davenport, Iowa (formerly Harvest Bible Chapel). The

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Saturday,
April 10
Davenport, IA

Coram Deo Bible Church
3800 E. 53rd St.
Davenport, IA 52807
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

As Iron Sharpens Iron,
So One Man Sharpens Another
Proverbs 27:17

conference will start at 8:30 a.m. and be done at 4:00 p.m.

Keynote speakers will be Lt. Gen. (Ret.) William G. Boykin serving as the Family Research Council's Executive Vice President and Bryndan Loritts who is the lead pastor of the Harvest Bible Chapel in Nashville, Tennessee. The cost for this conference is \$57.00 per man (\$32.00 per man for students, ages 13-22).

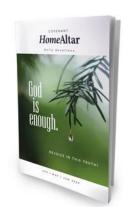
If we can get a group of 10 or more to go, the cost per man is reduced to \$47.00. If you want the lunch, then there is an additional \$8.00 per person.

A sign-up sheet is on the table in the entry area. If you have questions, or would like additional information, please contact Don Peterson.

# **Covenant Home Altar**

During this season of social distancing and selfisolation, the Covenant Home Altar is offering daily online devotionals. Check it out at:

https://covenantcompanion.com/home-altar



# **Looking Ahead**

Sunday	February 21	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
		10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
		2:00 p.m. GriefShare
Tuesday	February 23	9:30 a.m. <i>SAS</i> Bible Study
		11:00 a.m. Daytime Trivia
Wednesday	February 24	9:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting
		5:45 p.m. Axis
Thursday	February 25	9:15 a.m. Keenagers
		5:00 p.m. Worship Service
Friday	February 26	6:00 p.m. Good News Club Training
Saturday	February 27	9:00 a.m. Good News Club Training
Sunday	February 28	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
		10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
		2:00 p.m. GriefShare

# **Attendance Last Week**

Thursday Worship Service = 12; Sunday Worship = 39 32 views on YouTube; Sunday School/Children's Church = 22





# **CURRENT NEEDS**

Men's plain white t-shirts (sizes large & up)

Men's winter gloves, deodorant,

shower shoes/flip flops

Drop them off at the church and we will deliver
them for you. Thanks!