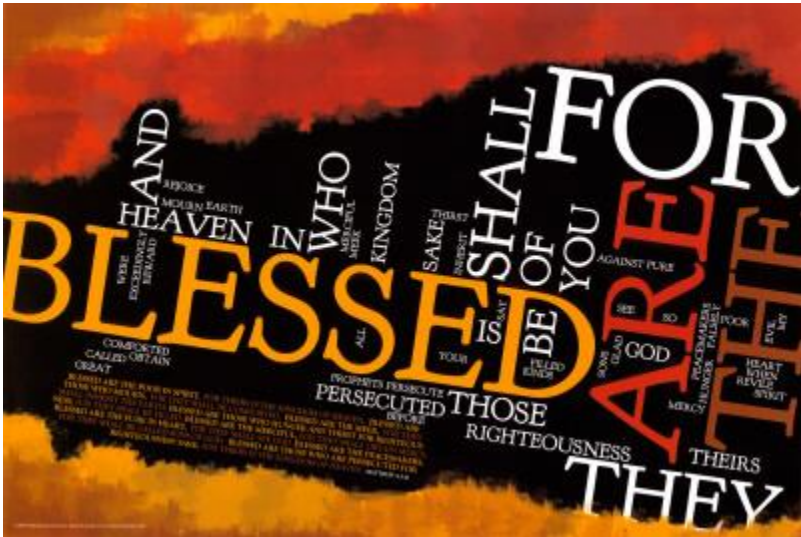


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

May 23, 2021



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

May 23, 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 elimqc.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"We live by faith. Not by sight."

— 2 Corinthians 5:7

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"It Is Well"

"As the Deer"

"How Deep the Father's Love"

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!

MISSION MOMENT: Liz Ryan with Pregnancy Resources

WORDS FROM GOD

Matthew 5:1-12

MESSAGE

“The Beatitudes: “Peacemakers”

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

52-Week Bible Reading Plan

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Epistles</i>	<i>Galatians 1-3</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>The Law</i>	<i>Exodus 33-36</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>History</i>	<i>1 Kings 1-4</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Psalms</i>	<i>Psalms 63-65</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Poetry</i>	<i>Proverbs 1</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Prophecy</i>	<i>Jeremiah 47-52</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Gospels</i>	<i>Luke 7-8</i>

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

May Birthdays

28 – Jim Ogden

29 – Jay Stanley

30 – Kate Schaechter

June Birthdays

1 – Elsa Nelson

3 – Karen Johnson

4 – David Cespedes II

Sermon Notes
May 23, 2021
“The Beatitudes: Peacemakers”
Matthew 5:1-12

Key Text: *“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God”* (Mt. 5:9)

Key Thought: God is delighted with His children who work for peace

- 1) Intro & Context

- 2) **DEFINING** it (cf. Jn. 16:33; Acts 12:20; Lk. 12:51)

- 3) **AVOIDING** division (cf. Rom. 14:1 Cor. 1:10; 12:25; Titus 3:10)

- 4) **WORKING** for peace (cf. Ps. 34:14; Rom. 14:9; Eph. 4:3; Heb. 12:14)

- 5) **CHILDREN** of God (cf. Hos. 1:10; Jn. 1:12-13; Rom. 8:14,17; 1 Jn. 3:1,10)

- 6) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Do you manage conflict well in your life? Do you more often foster conflict, or foster peace?
- Do you actively work for peace? Do you recognize God’s call to do so?
- Do you believe God delights in you as one of His beloved children?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Our graduates, their parents, and their future!

Prayer Concerns: Ceasefire in the Middle East.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

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

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Alex and Melanie Viana

Alex and Melanie serve in Mozambique in Leadership Development, Vocational Training, Community Care, Orphan Care, and Church Planting.

One thing the global church could learn from the Mozambican church is not to be in such a hurry and to allow space for the Holy Spirit to lead.

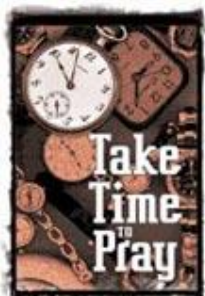


Prayer Opportunities

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.

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

– Isaiah 26:3 (NIV)



Pregnancy Resources

Liz Ryan, from Pregnancy Resources, is with us today to tell us about this year's fundraiser, Baby Bottle Boomerang 2021.



An unplanned pregnancy can make a mom or dad's journey seem uncertain. Their steps may falter, and life can hang in the balance. Pregnancy Resources is blessed to journey with parents by offering life honoring, medically accurate information regarding their pregnancy and the life of their unborn child. Moms and dads find hope at Pregnancy Resources every day.

You can help parents on this new journey by participating in Baby Bottle Boomerang. Money raised through Baby Bottle Boomerang allows moms and dads to step with courage towards a new future. With your support, Pregnancy Resources can provide hope-filled, life-affirming pregnancy tests, limited ultrasounds, and medically accurate pregnancy options education. Parenting, pregnancy, and essential newborn care education, Biblical fatherhood education, limited material assistance, and post-abortion care are also available. Together we can journey with the most abortion-vulnerable among us and offer help and hope in the name of Jesus Christ.

Baby bottles are available on a table in the gathering area for you to pick up, fill, and return.



Our Graduates

Today we be honoring our graduates with a cake reception. Join us after the church service to congratulate ***Lynsey Hennings, Lily Luna, and Abby Peterson*** and to wish them well.

You Are Invited

Come celebrate Abby Peterson's graduation with us on ***Saturday, May 29th*** from ***1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*** in the fellowship hall here at Elim! — Pastor Steve and Elizabeth

Dear God, we thank you that your huge favor, blessing, and powerful light surrounds our graduates. We pray that your presence would continually shine on them, and that you would be gracious to them and give them great peace. We ask that you help them to always know how very much they are loved, especially by you. Make them to be constantly aware that you are always with them; fill them with the faith to believe your words are true and that your Spirit guides them.

We ask that they find full confidence in the security of your love and care for them. We pray that you would give them health physically, emotionally, and spiritually, and would protect them from disease, illness, or any harm to their minds and spirits. We ask boldly for you to equip them for every purpose you have for their lives and give them constant endurance to run the race well.

“Loss of a Spouse” and “GriefShare”

Just a reminder that we will be hosting a “Loss of a Spouse” seminar on ***Tuesday May 25 at 6:00 p.m.*** The following ***Tuesday, June 1, at 6:00 p.m.*** we will begin a new GriefShare series. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the gathering area. It doesn't matter how long your loved one has been gone, often grief issues linger. Come and join us. We will walk together in our journeys and find the comfort and healing we all need.

Questions? Contact Sandy Parrott, Kathy Henderson, Mary Murphy or Karen Bowling.

Looking Ahead

Sunday	May 23	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service 12:00 p.m. Cake Reception for Graduates
Monday	May 24	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	May 25	9:30 a.m. SAS Bible Study 6:00 p.m. "Loss of a Spouse" Seminar
Wednesday	May 26	9:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 10:00 a.m. Mats for the Homeless 5:45 p.m. Axis
Thursday	May 27	9:15 a.m. Keenagers 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
Saturday	May 29	1:00-4:00 p.m. Abby Peterson Graduation Celebration
Sunday	May 30	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service

Attendance Last Week

Thursday Worship Service = 12; Sunday Worship = 68
25 views on YouTube; Sunday School/Children's Church = 32

MOWING SCHEDULE

May 29 Terry Snipes

June 5 Don Peterson and Donavon Wood



Immediate needs include bottled water, napkins, window cleaner, Pine-Sol, Drano, oven cleaner, instant potatoes, and black pepper.

GUIDELINES & HOURS

For several reasons, we are now only accepting donations on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and items must be from our current needs list. Even though we sincerely appreciate the extra things you are giving us, we will be obligated to REFUSE the donation if it does not meet our needs list.

WE WILL ACCEPT ANY FOOD DONATIONS DAILY

A copy of the full list of current needs for Christian Care is on the table in the gathering area.