ELIM COVENANT CHURCH August 29, 2021



Elim Covenant Church

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION August 29, 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.ora

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. — Psalm 119:105

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"Your Great Name" "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" "O Come to the Altar"

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!

MESSAGE

"The Greatest Gift of All" By Elizabeth 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

"Heart of Worship"

BENEDICTION

52-Week Bible Reading Plan

Sunday	Epistles	2 Timothy 3-4
Monday	The Law	Numbers 13-16
Tuesday	History	1 Chron 20-24
Wednesday	Psalms	Psalms 105-107
Thursday	Poetry	Proverbs 22
Friday	Prophecy	Joel
Saturday	Gospels	John 13-15

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

August BirthdaysSeptember Birthdays31 - Tabatha Estes6 - Mary Murphy10 - Thalia PadillaSeptember Birthdays11 - Judy Martel3 - Madeline Lumpkin11 - Joy Wright4 - Lila Ferry12 - Sylvia Anderson4 - Austin Fowler13 - Pat Hudson

September Anniversaries

5 – Don and Jane Peterson 9 – John and Pam Thompson 14 – Orlin and Karen Johnson

Sermon Notes August 29, 2021 "The Greatest Gift of All" 2 Kings 5

Key Text: "For it is by **grace** you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

Key Thought: Salvation and a relationship with God is not something to be achieved, but something we receive.

1)	Intro & Context
2)	What is a gift? It is something we (Acts 16;30-31; 2 Thes. 2:13; 1 Tim. 2:4; 2 Tim. 1:9)
3)	Who showed ? (Psalm 111:10; James 1:5; Job 12:13, 28:28, 2 Timothy 3:15)
4)	We must get rid of our (Ps. 10:4; Pr. 8:13, 11:2, 13:10, 16:18) before (Eph. 2:8-9; Acts 11:23) can enter our hearts.
5)	The greatest gift of all is (Heb. 2:3; Ps. 35:9, 37:39, 51:12, 62:1; ls. 51:6)
6)	Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Is pride getting in the way of allowing grace to enter your heart?
- Does Jesus have access to all areas of your life?
- If you haven't done so already, would you like to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior of your life? If so, please talk with one of our Elders or prayer warriors in the prayer room after the service.

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Kids are back in school full-time. Let's pray for them, the teachers, parents, and the school year.

Prayer Concerns: Family and friends of Earl Burklund who went home to be with the Lord on August 24.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Katie Clarke 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:

Paul and Gretchen DeNeui

Paul is on special assignment. He is the Director for the Center for World Christian Studies, Professor of Missiology and Intercultural Studies at North Park Theological Seminary.



I (Paul) knew I was called to global theological training when I learned how important it is for the stateside church to learn from global partners.



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.

"God seeks us. The basic nature of God is one of loving community." — Dallas Willard

LET'S CELEBRATE!



Elim Covenant Church has a lot to celebrate these days. Next Sunday, **September 5** immediately following the worship service, we will have a potluck and cake reception to celebrate **Pastor Steve's** return from his sabbatical and **Elizabeth Peterson's** and **Sandy**

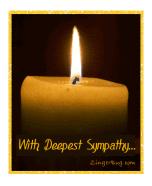
Parrott's completion of their two-year Spiritual Direction program. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the gathering area. Dessert provided! Please come!

PREGNANCY RESOURCES WALK FOR LIFE 2021



Chip and *Ethel Hesler* and *Tracy Garcia* are participating Pregnancy Resources' Walk for Life. If you would like to join them in this walk you can register online or see *Ethel* if you need help. If you can't walk, why not sponsor them as they do.

- Walk4Life will be at one location this year: Empire Park in Hampton, Illinois.
- Check-In will open at 8:30 and you can grab a bagel, hot coffee and walk the route anytime from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Pre-Register online and reserve your FREE Walk for LIFE Journey T-shirt (Limited Sizes and Quantities)



CELEBRATION OF LIFE

On Tuesday, August 31, at 1:00 p.m. there will be a Celebration of Life and luncheon for Earl Burklund at Elim. All are invited. We extend our condolences to his family and friends.



Looking Ahead

Sunday	August 29	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
-	_	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
			Elizabeth Peterson, speaker
		2:30 p.m.	Perspectives
Monday	August 30	5:30 p.m.	Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	August 31	9:30 a.m.	SAS Bible Study
		1:00 p.m.	CIU Earl Burklund Celebration
		(of Life and Luncheon
		6:00 p.m.	GriefShare
Wednesday	September 1	9:00 a.m.	"Amped" Prayer Meeting
		10:00 a.m.	Mats for the Homeless
		5:45 p.m.	Axis
Thursday	September 2	5:15 p.m.	Worship Service
Sunday	September 5	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service

No Perspectives Course September 5

Attendance Last Week

Thursday Worship Service = 14; Sunday Worship = 67 Views on YouTube = 19; Sunday School/Children's Church = 27

MOWING SCHEDULE

September 4 Mike Hermann and Jim Nelson September 11...... Don Yoeckel and Ryan Wood





We are currently in need of men's jeans, t-shirts, and underwear (all sizes). We will gladly accept your donation of any of the above Monday - Friday. Donations of food are accepted at any time.

There is a list of current needs for Christian Care on the table in the gathering area.