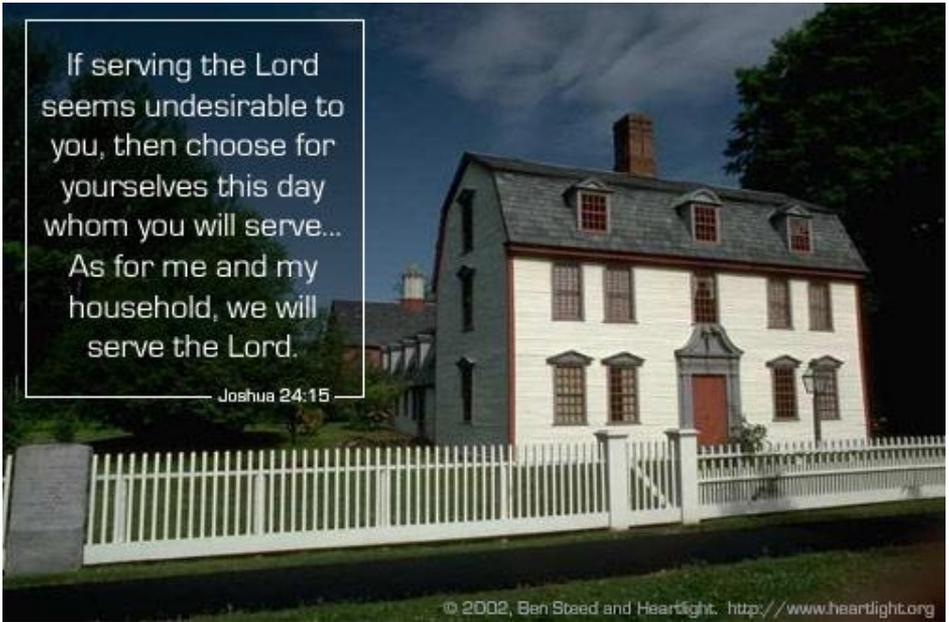


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

March 27, 2022



If serving the Lord
seems undesirable to
you, then choose for
yourselves this day
whom you will serve...
As for me and my
household, we will
serve the Lord.

— Joshua 24:15 —

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

March 27, 2022

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

"Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth." — 1 John 3:18

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"King of My Heart"

"As the Deer"

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

1 John 3:4-10

MESSAGE
“Defeating Sin”
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

“Cornerstone”

BENEDICTION

March Birthdays

*28 – Jon Estes
28 – Alexis Willey
29 – Tracey Garcia
30 – Nick Wagner*

April Birthdays

*3 – Helena Henry
6 – Reagan Wood
8 – Dee Pritchard
8 – Will Wagner*

March Anniversaries

29 – Jon and Tabatha Estes

April Anniversaries

*7 – Rodney and Judy Ouderkirk
8 – Pastor Steve and Elizabeth Peterson*

Navigator Bible Reading Plans

	New Testament	Book-at-a-Time Bible Reading Plan
March 27	Galatians 5	Deuteronomy 20-22; Psalm 46
March 28	Galatians 6	Deuteronomy 23-26; Psalm 47
March 29	James 1	<i>Reflection</i>
March 30	James 2	<i>Reflection</i>
March 31	<i>Reflection</i>	<i>Reflection</i>
April 1	<i>Reflection</i>	Deuteronomy 27-30; Psalm 48
April 2	James 3	Deuteronomy 31-34; Psalm 49

Full Bible Reading Plans are on the table in the gathering area.

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Covenant World Relief and Development (CWRD) as they work with other ministries to bring relief to those affected by the war in Ukraine.

Prayer Concerns: Displaced people from Ukraine who are in dire need of food, transportation, housing, hygiene supplies, trauma counseling, and medical care.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Katie Clarke	Arlene Miller	Belva VanNorman
Anna Swanson	Judie Stanley	Margaret Crandall
Tasha Munger	Felipe Cantu	JoAnn Nelsen
Gary Wells	Curt Jackson	Sandy Winthurst

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Jonathan and Faith Ro

Jonathan and Faith serve in East Asia. Their ministry focus is in training church leaders.

A few words for a typical Sunday:

Sunday service is sanctioned, monitored, online, and challenging—but a privilege.



Prayer Opportunities

Prayer Cards: Feel free to use the prayer cards for your requests and drop them in the offering plate.

Prayer Following Worship: Elim Prayer Team is available to pray with you after the service in the Jeremiah classroom at the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer Gatherings: Mondays at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Come and pray with the team members and share your requests/praises.

Prayer Chain: Have a prayer need? Call Sandy at the church at (309) 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.

Thank-You!

A big thank you from **Katie Clarke** for all the birthday cards and prayers for her 99th birthday. Ninety-nine looks good on you, Katie! Thank YOU, Katie, for all your years at Elim. Thank you for your infectious laughter, for your encouragement to so many, and making us all feel so loved. We are so blessed to call you our friend.



Elim's 75th Anniversary Celebration!

Elim is celebrating 75 years as an Evangelical Covenant Church. Cheryl Bear is coordinating a team to plan the celebration which will take place on **Sunday, May 1**. We will have areas set up around the church featuring the different ministries of Elim (past and present). We welcome your stories, memories, and photos to help us celebrate. Please have those to us by **Sunday, April 17**, so that we can plan and organize. It will be fun to look back on the birth and growth of Elim.

Greeters

We have brought back our greeting ministry. Thank you, **Mary Murphy** and **Karen Bowling** for greeting us today. Elim

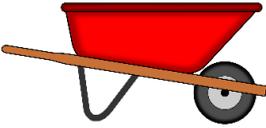
has a reputation for being a warm and welcoming church, and greeting people as they arrive is one way we like to do that.



There is a signup sheet on the table in the gathering area if you would like to serve as a greeter. You can sign up

with someone or sign your name and we will put you together with someone else. Thank you!

Elim Spring Workday



Elim's annual spring workday will be held on **Saturday, April 9**, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Bring your wheelbarrows and shovels for filling in low spots with dirt.

Easter Lilies

There is a sign-up sheet for anyone who would like to purchase an Easter lily to beautify our church for Easter in honor or memory of a loved one.



The cost is \$8.00 and may be turned in to the church office or left in the offering plate marked for Easter lilies.

Prayer Chain



Elim Covenant Church is a praying church with prayer chains in place. If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain (phone or text), call Sandy at the office and we will be sure you are added. Prayer is the greatest gift

we can give to others. Also, if you are not receiving Sandy's email that comes out twice a week with the prayer sheet attached, call the office to let her know and she will be happy to add you. Thanks for praying!

**Just a
reminder...**



Just a Reminder

Be sure to pick up your **Pregnancy Resources** fundraising baby bottle. Fill it up and bring it back. Thank you for supporting this wonderful ministry!

Also, while you are shopping be sure to watch for those items that are on sale to fill your **Operation Christmas Child** shoeboxes.

November will come quickly and finding those treasures throughout the year make filling your shoeboxes easier as the deadline nears.

VBS is Coming Soon!

Discovery on Adventure Island begins **Wednesday, April 27**. Watch for coming details!

Looking Ahead

Sunday	March 27	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Monday	March 28	5:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Tuesday	March 29	9:30 a.m. SAS Bible Study 6:00 p.m. GriefShare
Wednesday	March 30	9:00 a.m. "AMPED" Prayer Meeting 5:45 p.m. Axis 6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry 6:00 p.m. Financial Peace University
Thursday	March 31	9:15 a.m. Keenagers Bible Study
Sunday	April 3	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Worship = 75; Views on YouTube = 22
Sunday School/Children's Church = 18

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, March 27

Children's Church: Amy Hennings and Diane Snipes
Nursery: Sheila Yoeckel and Jamie Cespedes

NEXT WEEK, April 3

Children's Church: Rachel Lyon and Mary Parrott
Nursery: Cheryl Bear and Rachel Cunningham



A recent letter from Christian Care: "On behalf of Christian Care, I would like to thank you for your recent donations. Because of your contribution, we will be able to better serve the least, the last, and the lost in the Quad Cities."

Shelter Needs

Garbage Bags (13- & 39-Gallon); Large bottles of Shampoo & Conditioner; Deodorant (Men's & Women's); Bottled Water; Men's jeans, t-shirts, socks, new underwear & tennis shoes.