

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

January 29, 2023



Produce fruit in keeping with repentance.

- Luke 3:8 -

Elim Covenant Church

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

January 29, 2023

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

Don Peterson

OFFERING

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

*"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you"
(Psalm 32:8)*

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"I'm in the Lord's Army"

"My God is So Big"

"Lord, I lift Your Name on High"

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

Luke 3:1-20

MESSAGE
“The Forerunner”
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

“Every Move I Make”

BENEDICTION

February Birthdays

4 – Aliyah Henderson

4 – Marilyn Smith

9 – Sheila Yoeckel

February Birthdays

13 – Maria Cantu

15 – Damian Burns

February Anniversaries

15 – Felipe and Maria Cantu

15 – Lisandro and Patty Restrepo

GREETERS TODAY: John and Pam Thompson

Daily Bible Reading Guide 2023

God’s Saving Word: Unity in Christ Jesus

January 29	Acts 7:1-22
January 30	Acts 7:23-43
January 31	Acts 7:44-8:8
February 1	Leviticus 19:1-8
February 2	Deuteronomy 5:1-22
February 3	Deuteronomy 6:1-25
February 4	Deuteronomy 7:1-11
<i>The full Bible reading plan is on the table in the gathering area.</i>	

Sermon Notes
January 29, 2023
“The Forerunner”
Luke 3:1-20

Key Text: “... since we have such a hope, we are very bold.” (2 Cor. 3:12)

Key Thought: John the Baptist is a powerful biblical example of a bold witness for Jesus.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) The **RULERS** (1-2)
- 3) John’s **MINISTRY** (2b-6) (cf. Mt. 3:1-12; Mk. 1:3-8; Jn. 1:6-9,15,19-34)
- 4) John’s **FIRE** (vv. 7-9) (cf. 1 Kgs. 18:17-18; Mt. 12:34; 13:40; 23:33)
- 5) Pragmatic **PIETY** (vv. 10-14) (cf. Mic. 6:8; Mt. 25:31-46; Acts 2:45)
- 6) Knowing his **PLACE** (vv. 15-18) (cf. Jn. 1:8; 3:30; 1 Cor. 15:9)
- 7) Herod’s **SINS** (vv. 19-20) (cf. Lev. 18:16; 20:21; Mt. 19:9)
- 8) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- What do you make of the forerunner of Jesus? Would you have liked John? Why or why not?
- Are you producing the fruit of repentance? Are you lacking sincerity in any area of your spiritual life?
- In your life, is Jesus becoming greater, while you’re becoming less? Are you growing in humility?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Our church and the ministries that take place here.

Prayer Concerns: Safe travels for the youth and leaders as they travel to Covenant Harbor for Winter Camp this weekend.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Katie Clarke	Arlene Miller	Belva Van Norman
Anna Swanson	Wiley Barnes	Margaret Crandall
Tasha Munger	Felipe Cantu	JoAnn Nelsen
Gary Wells	Curt Jackson	Sandy Winthurst
Madeline Lumpkin	Jeff Parrott	Don Neer

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Christopher and Diane Wiebe

Christopher and Diane serve in East Asia. Their ministries include Youth Camp, Mentoring, Education, and Publications

We felt home in our country of service when . . . we started to drive our family around in our own vehicle.



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 3:45 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 Sandy at (309) 592-7703 with your request.

Congregational Meeting and Spaghetti/Salad Luncheon

Join us today as we will hold our annual congregational meeting with a spaghetti/salad luncheon following the church service. Everything is provided. Just come and find out what's new at Elim.



Let's Go to Camp!

If you've ever been to camp, as a kid or an adult, you know what a great time everyone has. Why not make this year the year your kids go to camp. There are camps for all ages. There are also scholarships available to help out with the costs. There is more information on the bulletin board. You can also check out the Covenant Harbor website:

<https://covenantharbor.org/summer-camps/>

Jigsaw Puzzles

Wintertime oftentimes means hours spent at home on seasonally challenging days. Jigsaw puzzles are a great way to while away the hours. The Trivia gang brought puzzles to share. They will be available for a couple of weeks. Help yourself. No need to return them.



CHRISTIAN CARE

Questions about this event?

Contact Lexi at (309) 786-4301 or by email at Abull@ChristianCareQc.Org



We hope **YOU** will join us!
*10th Annual Have a Heart
for the Homeless*

**FEB 11TH. AT BALLY'S CASINO
12:00-1:00PM**



**** REGISTER BY FEB 3RD ****

See You Soon!

Doors will open at 11:15AM!

Follow us on Facebook to get a
sneak peak of raffles!

The Christian Care Team 



Guest Speaker:

State Senator Mike Halpin

Topic: Homelessness in Quad Cities and
need for service providers like ourselves

Looking Ahead

Sunday	January 29	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
		11:45 a.m.	Congregational Meeting and Spaghetti/Salad Luncheon
Monday	January 30	3:45 p.m.	Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	January 31	9:30 a.m.	SAS Bible Study
		6:00 p.m.	GriefShare
Wednesday	February 1	9:00 a.m.	"AMPED" Prayer Meeting
		5:45 a.m.	Axis
		6:00 p.m.	Children's Ministry
Sunday	February 5	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Worship = 67 Views on YouTube = 22

Sunday School/Confirmation = 26 Children's Church = 5

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, January 29:

No Children's Church

Nursery: Rachel Lyon and Amy Hennings

NEXT WEEK, February 5:

Children's Church: Kelly Wood and Meagan Bear

Nursery: Cheryl Bear and Rachel Cunningham

Christian Care Current Needs

- Paper Products
- Men's Sweatshirts
 - Men's Sweatpants
 - Men's Jeans
- Men's Winter Coats
 - Hats and Gloves
- Thermal Underwear
- Perishables and Non-Perishable Goods
- Butter, sugar, and onions
- Ziplock Bags
- Trash Bags! (39-gallon/13-gallon)
- Hygiene Products
 - i.e. Shampoo/conditioner, razors, body wash, deodorant, foot powder, and shaving cream
- Cleaning Supplies
- Laundry Detergent
- Shower shoes/flip flops (9,10,11,12,13)

They currently are not taking donations for women and children. The outpour of support has left Martha's House with plenty at the moment. Thank you to those who have contributed.