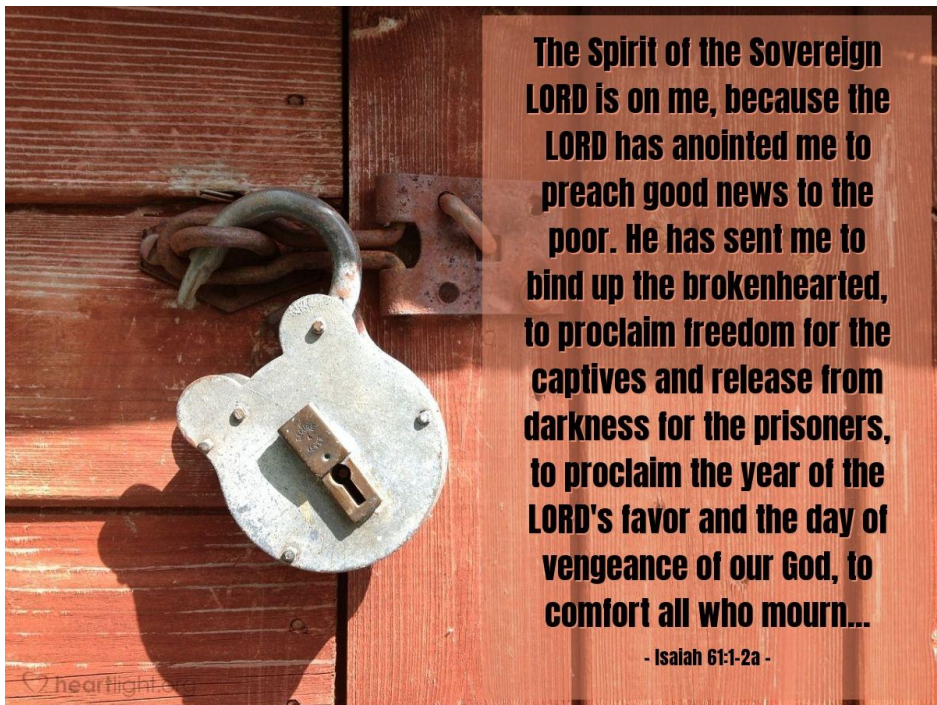


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

March 5, 2023



The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn...

- Isaiah 61:1-2a -

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

March 5, 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

Tabatha Estes

OFFERING

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

*"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."
(Colossians 3:2)*

ADORATION TO GOD

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

WORSHIP SONGS

"King of My Heart"

"Above All"

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 6:12-26

MESSAGE

“The Good, the Bad & the Ugly”

Pastor Steve Peterson`

PRAYERS TO GOD

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Call to Communion

Invitation to the Lord’s Table for the Sharing of the Bread and Cup

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BEING SENT BY GOD

God sends us out into the world that He passionately loves.

WORSHIP SONG

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

BENEDICTION

GREETERS TODAY: Cheryl Bear and Karen Johnson

March Anniversaries

9 – Tom and Marie Dang

16 – Jim and Danielle Ogden

March Birthdays

7 – Carol Jacks

7 – Briana Peterson

9 – Sawyer Wood

12 – Marc Ellis

March Birthdays

13 – Becky Reynolds

15 – Easton Santee

17 – Katie Clarke

20 – Ellie Wildermuth

Daily Bible Reading Guide 2023

God’s Saving Word: Unity in Christ Jesus

March 5	Psalm 54
March 6	Psalm 55
March 7	Psalm 56
March 8	Psalm 57
March 9	Psalm 59
March 10	Psalm 61
March 11	Psalm 62
<i>The full Bible reading plan is on the table in the gathering area.</i>	

Sermon Notes
March 5, 2023
“The Good, the Bad & the Ugly”
Luke 6:12-26

Key Text: *“The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor”* (Isa. 61:1)

Key Thought: Jesus’ perspective on kingdom leadership and qualities is diametrically opposite to this world’s perspective.

- 1) Intro & Context

- 2) The **TWELVE** (vv. 12-16) (cf. Mt. 10:2-4; Mk. 3:16-19; Acts 1:13 [other lists of apostles]; 1 Cor. 1:18-31 [God chooses the most unlikely])

- 3) The **BLESSINGS** (vv. 20-23) (cf. Isa. 61:1-3 [good news to poor]; Mt. 5:1-12 [the beatitudes]; 1 Pt. 3:14 [suffering for doing good]; Ja. 2:5 [poor chosen to be rich in faith])

- 4) The **WOES** (vv. 24-26) (cf. Mt. 19:23-24 [hard for rich to get to heaven]; 23:13-31 [more woes]; 1 Tim. 6:9,17-18 [instructions for wealthy]; Ja. 5:1-6 [condemns heartless rich])

- 5) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Does it sometime surprise you who Jesus calls to follow Him? Are you surprised He would call you?
- Are you surprised by Jesus’ perspective on the rich & the poor? Does it trouble you or comfort you?
- Do Jesus’ words convict you? What change(s) do they call you to make?

PRAYER PAGE

Praises: Jesus, our Savior, our Restorer, our Healer and Lover of our souls.

Prayer Concerns: Turkey and Syria after the earthquakes and Ukraine as they continue to fight for their country and freedom.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

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

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

Pray for Covenant Missionaries:

Cathy Campobello

Cathy serves in Colombia. Her ministries include evangelism and outreach and community development.

These three words best describe how this community reflects God's faithfulness:
communicating, praying, and loving.



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.



Congratulations!

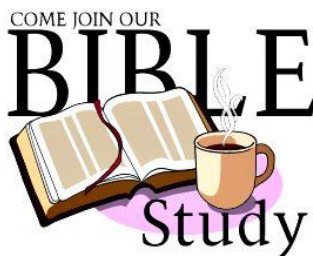
Congratulations **Larene Paul** on the birth of her great-granddaughter, **Kennedy Rose**, born on Wednesday, March 1, 2023!

A baby is God's opinion that the world should go on. – Carl Sandburg

Keenagers

One of the first signs of spring is when the Keenagers Bible study resumes after taking time off in the winter months. Feel free to come and join this wonderful group. Men and women are welcomed to join them.

For years Dwayne Edwards was the only man in this group, but that didn't keep him from coming. What a blessing it was to have him there. So men and women alike, mark your calendars for **Thursday, March 9**, at **9:30 a.m.** Questions? See Pat Hudson.



Hymn Sing

Mark your calendar and join us next Sunday, **March 12**, at **4:00 p.m.** for our monthly hymn sing. Everyone is welcome, so grab your family, friends, and neighbors. Come and enjoy some of your favorite hymns.



GriefShare

GriefShare's topic this week is "Complicating Factors." You will learn how traumatic experiences affect grief, how to deal with nightmares and flashbacks, and how your thinking affects your emotions. We are a small, caring group who will make you feel welcomed, cared for, and understood. Join us on **Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** You are welcome to bring a friend.

Girls Night Out!

The ladies of Elim Covenant Church are bringing Girls Night Out back. It will be **Friday, April 21, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Cindy and her crew are looking for label-free glass jars with lids for a craft. Any size will do. Just bring them to church and they will take it from there. Thanks!



**IRON
SHARPENS
IRON**

For the Men of Elim: The Iron Sharpens Iron Conference will be **Saturday April 1, 2023**, at the Coram Deo Bible Church (formerly Harvest Bible Chapel) in Davenport, Iowa. A sign-up sheet and a flyer providing

information about this

conference are on the table in the gathering area. If you have questions, please contact Don Peterson at 309-755-6249 (home) or 309-781-2995 (cell).

Are You Updated?

Do we have your current information for the church directory? Do you receive emails from Pastor Steve? Do you receive biweekly emails from Sandy? Are you on the telephone prayer chain? Are you on the text prayer chain?

If you have answered “no” to any of these questions and want your information to be updated or your name added to receive prayer requests or emails, please let Sandy know by calling the church office at 309-764-6920 or send her a text at 309-592-7703. We don’t want to leave anyone out.



Looking Ahead

Sunday	March 5	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
Monday	March 6	3:45 p.m.	Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	March 7	9:30 a.m.	SAS Bible Study
		2:00 p.m.	GriefShare
Wednesday	March 8	9:00 a.m.	"AMPED" Prayer Meeting
		5:45 a.m.	Axis
		6:00 p.m.	Children's Ministry
Thursday	March 9	9:30 a.m.	Keenagers Bible Study
		6:00 p.m.	MLT
Sunday	March 12	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
		4:00 p.m.	Hymn Sing

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Worship = 78

Sunday School/Confirmation = 32

Children's Church = 8

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, March 5:

Children's Church: Kelly Wood and Meagan Bear

Nursery: Cheryl Bear and Rachel Cunningham

NEXT WEEK, March 12:

Children's Church: Elizabeth Peterson and Mary Parrott

Nursery: Meagan Bear and Mariah Richardson

Christian Care Current Needs

- Paper Towels
- Men's Sweatshirts
 - Men's Sweatpants
 - Men's Jeans
- Men's Winter Coats
 - Hats and Gloves
- Thermal Underwear
- Perishables and Non-Perishable Goods
- 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.