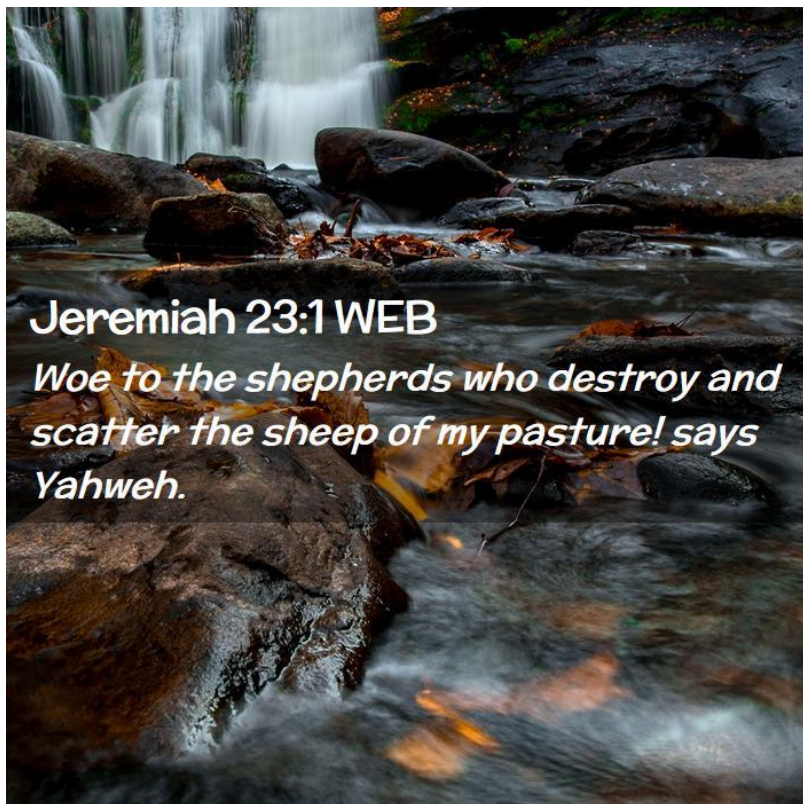


# ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

## July 9, 2023



**Jeremiah 23:1 WEB**

*Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says Yahweh.*

### **Elim Covenant Church**

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# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

July 9, 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](http://elimqc.org)*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Juanita Arellanos**

## **ECC ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE**

## **OFFERING**

## **MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

*"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." (Matthew 6:33)*

## **ADORATION TO GOD**

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

## **WORSHIP SONGS**

*"Draw Me Close"*

*"Lord, I Need You"*

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

## **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 11:37-54**

**MESSAGE**  
**“Confronting Abusers”**  
**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**

*“How Great Thou Art”*

**BENEDICTION**

**GREETERS TODAY:** Terry and Diane Snipes

**July Birthdays**

*16 – Rachel Lyon*  
*16 – Nevadah Christianson*  
*17 – Grayson Ellis*  
*20 – Timothy Le*

**July Birthdays**

*21 – Alaina Ellis*  
*23 – Arlene Miller*  
*25 – Jesse Lister, Jr.*  
*31 – Pastor Steve Peterson*

**Daily Bible Reading Guide 2023**

***God’s Saving Word: Unity in Christ Jesus***

|         |                    |
|---------|--------------------|
| July 9  | Exodus 5:1-21      |
| July 10 | Exodus 5:22-6:13   |
| July 11 | Exodus 6:28-7:13   |
| July 12 | Leviticus 16:1-19  |
| July 13 | Leviticus 16:20-34 |
| July 14 | 2 Samuel 9:1-13    |
| July 15 | Hosea 1:1-2:1      |

**Sermon Notes**  
**Sunday, July 9, 2023**  
**“Confronting Abusers”**  
**Luke 11:37-54**

**Key Text:** *“Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD* (Jer. 23:1)

**Key Thought:** God judges harshly those who abuse their power, exploiting and harming the poor & vulnerable in our society.

- 1) Intro & Context
  
- 2) Clean \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 37-41) (cf. Ps. 51; 139:23-24; Jer. 2:22; 1 Cor. 6:11; Heb. 10:22)
  
- 3) Great \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 42-52) (cf. Ps. 32:10; Isa. 1:4-6,15-18; 5:8-25; Jer. 23:1; Php. 2:3-8)
  
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ toward Jesus (vv. 53-54) (cf. Mt. 5:10-12; 26:4; Jn. 15:20; Acts 7:52; 2 Tim. 3:12)
  
- 5) Conclusion

**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:**

- Do you desire God to declare you as clean before Him? If so, what’s your response to the poor & vulnerable around you?
- Do you fear God? Do Jesus’ “woes” to the religious leaders humble you or offend you?
- How do you respond to God’s call to repentance?

## PRAYER PAGE

### **Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:**

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

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

### ***Covenant Prayer Calendar — July 9-15***

***Please pray for this week's***

### ***Covenant missionaries and ministries:***

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Erika and Nils Clauson<br>(Special Assignment, Latin America)<br>Covenanters in Global Service<br>Jen and Minh Dao<br>(Thailand) | Joel and Kim Delp<br>(Ecuador)<br>Paul and Gretchen de Neui (Special Assignment)<br>Sheryl & Reuben Duncan<br>(USA) |
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## 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:** Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. and 3:45 p.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.

## HYMN SING

Sing to the Lord a new song! Or maybe even an old song but join us **this afternoon at 4:00 p.m.** for our monthly hymn sing.

Be sure to invite your family and friends. It's always such a wonderful time of worshipping God, fellowship, and inspiration.



*Haven't tried it? Why not join us?*



## Congregational Meeting

Our quarterly congregational meeting will be held immediately following the church service on **Sunday, July 16**. Please plan to stay and get updated on all that's going on at Elim.

## SHOEBOXES ARE HERE!!

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes have arrived and are available for pickup in the Matthew room (in the east hallway) or see Pat Hudson. Please sign the list when you pick up your boxes. There is also a list of packable items available to assist you in your purchases.



**Save the Date:** Our kickoff that will take place on Saturday, August, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All are welcome!



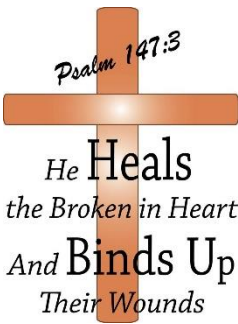
## All-Student Outing

On **Wednesday, July 12**, there will be an all-student outing to Pizza Ranch. Be at church at **6:00 p.m.** to leave and we will return by **8:00 p.m.**



## Prayer and Healing Service

On **Sunday, July 16**, at **6:00 p.m.** we will offer a prayer and healing service. The need for healing comes in all sorts of packages. Physical, emotional, mental, spiritual, etc. Come and join us. Come to pray. Come to minister to others and be ministered to. We look forward to seeing how the Holy Spirit will work during this time. All are welcome.



## Daytime Trivia

Join us **Tuesday, July 18**, at **11:30 a.m.** for Daytime Trivia. What a great time of fellowship and fun! Doors open at 11:00 a.m. \$5.00 per person. Don't forget your sack lunch.



## S.P.L.A.S.H.

Ladies — just a reminder — **S.P.L.A.S.H.** is on **Saturday, July 22**, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. All women are invited. Please join us!!

## Looking Ahead

|           |         |            |                              |
|-----------|---------|------------|------------------------------|
| Sunday    | July 9  | 9:15 a.m.  | Sunday School/Confirmation   |
|           |         | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service  |
|           |         | 4:00 p.m.  | Hymn Sing                    |
| Tuesday   | July 11 | 9:30 a.m.  | <b>SAS</b> Bible Study       |
| Wednesday | July 12 | 9:00 a.m.  | “AMPED” Prayer Meeting       |
|           |         | 10:00 a.m. | Mats for the Homeless        |
|           |         | 3:45 p.m.  | Prayer Meeting               |
|           |         | 6:00 p.m.  | Axis and Children’s Ministry |
| Thursday  | July 13 | 6:00 p.m.  | MLT                          |
| Sunday    | July 16 | 9:15 a.m.  | Sunday School/Confirmation   |
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## Attendance Last Week

Sunday Worship = 65 Views on YouTube = 32

Sunday School/Children’s Church = 21

## MOWING SCHEDULE

July 15 ..... Ron Lyon and Don Peterson

July 22 ..... Don Yoeckel and Richard Peterson

## CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

### TODAY, July 9:

Children’s Church: Amy Hennings and Kim Shuda

Nursery: Meagan Bear and Mariah Richardson

### NEXT WEEK, July 16:

Children’s Church: Natalie Hermann and Elizabeth Peterson

Nursery: Sandy Parrott and Karen Bagateloas

## Christian Care Immediate Needs

Bottled Water, #10 Cans of Veggies

Canned Fruit, Ground Coffee

Large Bottles of Shampoo

Large Bottles of Conditioner

Body Wash