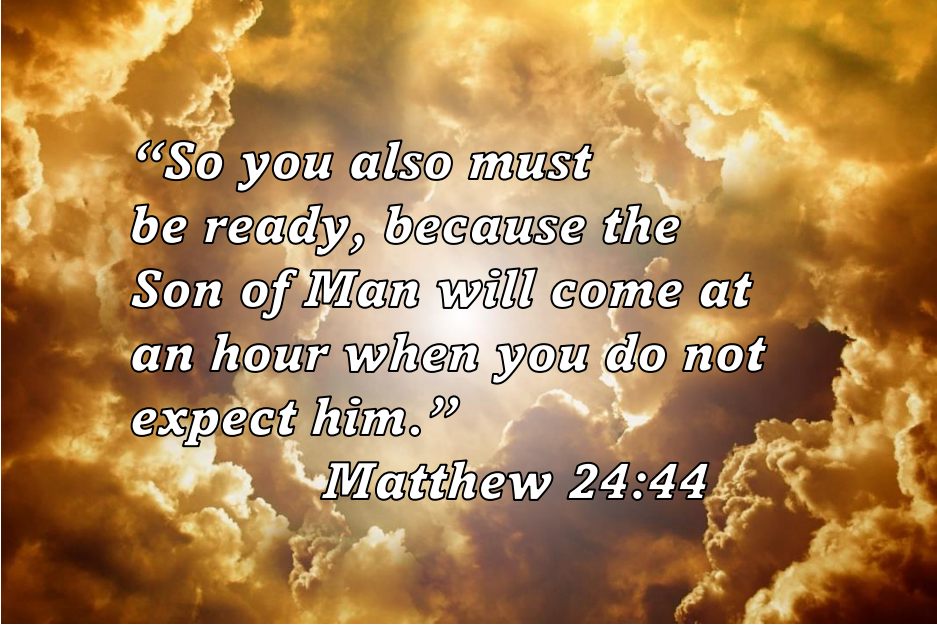


ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
July 30, 2023



*“So you also must
be ready, because the
Son of Man will come at
an hour when you do not
expect him.”*

Matthew 24:44

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

July 30, 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

Juanita Arellanos

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

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

"Day By Day"

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

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 12:35-59

MESSAGE

“Faithful and Wise”

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

“I Will Follow”

BENEDICTION

GREETERS TODAY: Deanna Newton and Sandy Parrott

July Birthdays

*31 – Pastor Steve
Peterson*

August Birthdays

*1 – Linda Gilmour
3 – Brandon Dang
5 – Amakoe Akpla
5 – Diane Snipes*

August Birthdays

*6 – John Clarke
6 – Leah Hermann
8 – Curt Jackson
10 – Carolyn Grimes
11 – Jeanne Laird
12 – Travis Ferry
12 – Gary Wells*

August Anniversaries

*6 – Bill and Cindy Minard
10 – Marc and Leonna Ellis
10 – Bob and Karen Bowling*

Sermon Notes
Sunday, July 30, 2023
“Faithful & Wise”
Luke 12:35-59

Key Text: *“So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him” (Mt. 24:44)*

Key Thought: Jesus calls us to be faithful in our service to Him & ready for His coming in glory.

- 1) Intro & Context

- 2) A call to **FAITHFULNESS** (vv. 35-48) (cf. Ps. 130:6; Ezk. 33:6; Col. 4:2; 1 Tim. 4:16)

- 3) Jesus is **DIVISIVE** (vv. 49-53) (cf. Mt. 10:34-37; Ja. 4:4-5; 1 Jn. 2:15;3:13; 4:4-6; 5:19)

- 4) Be **WISE** (vv. 54-59) (cf. Hos. 14:9; Mt. 5:23-24; Rom. 13:11-14; Php. 1:9-10)

- 5) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:

- Do you live with a hopeful vigilance, always ready for Jesus’ coming?
- Are you faithful to Jesus your Lord, even when it means being “unfaithful” to those in the world?
- How discerning are you with spiritual things? Are you more spiritually wise or more worldly wise?

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	Nathan Lyon

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

<i>Covenant Prayer Calendar — July 30-August 5</i> <i>Please pray for this week's</i> <i>Covenant missionaries and ministries:</i>	
Covenant Kids Congo Global Engagements Dale and Sara Lusk (Special Assignment, USA) Francisco and Stephanie Martins Ramos (France)	Max McClure (Czech Republic) Fabio Muniz and Johnna Hayward Muniz (France) Colleen Nahnychuk (Argentina) Karl and Mary Noren (Cameroon)

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.

Pray for the Mission Team

On **Friday, August 4**, Elim's mission team to Alaska will leave to fly out of Chicago's O'Hare to Anchorage, Alaska. From there they will fly to Elim, Alaska, where they will work and build relationships to bring Jesus' love and encouragement. We will return on **Saturday, August 12**.



Please pray for our team: **Pastor Steve Peterson, R.J. Peterson, Jon Karl, Mary Turnbaugh, Jon Estes, Colton Estes, Linda Gilmour, Don Yoeckel, and Sandy Parrott**. Pray for a blessed, safe trip and that God will use us to His good and glory.

Pray 4 Me Prayer Basket

Our prayer basket has been refreshed. Please help us in praying for each other by taking a slip of paper with the names of our Elim family. Take as many as you like. There are also clothespin magnets for you to use as a reminder to pray for those you've drawn. What an easy way to uphold and love each other with our prayers. Thanks for praying!



Church Directory

The church directory is finished and is available for you to pick up in the church office. See Sandy to get your copy.

Perspectives



PERSPECTIVES USA

Engage the Movement

Sundays, Aug 20th-Dec 10th

2:30-5:30pm

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Vision to live a life of purpose

But, God is Good

Save the date! This year's women's retreat will take place ***September 15, 16, and 17*** at Covenant Harbor located in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. The Western Illinois District, which we are a part of, is hosting the retreat along with the St. Louis District.

Each year there is a raffle for various types of baskets. The funds collected help finance future retreats. The churches of each district are asked to donate two baskets to raffle off. There is a box for donations on the table in the gathering area.

Looking Ahead

Sunday	July 30	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
Monday	July 31	<i>Happy Birthday Pastor Steve!</i>	
Tuesday	August 1	9:30 a.m.	SAS Bible Study
Wednesday	August 2	9:00 a.m.	“AMPED” Prayer Meeting
		10:00 a.m.	Mats for the Homeless
		3:45 p.m.	Prayer Meeting
Sunday	August 6	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Worship = 78 Views on YouTube = 23
 Sunday School/Children’s Church = 25

MOWING SCHEDULE

August 5 Terry Snipes and Cecil Grimes
 August 12 Don Yoeckel and Chris Carsell

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY, July 30:

No Children’s Church
 Nursery: Amy Hennings and Kristen Burns

Next Week, August 6:

Children’s Church: Meagan Bear and Elizabeth Peterson
 Nursery: Cheryl Bear and Marie Dang

Daily Bible Reading Guide 2023

God’s Saving Word: Unity in Christ Jesus

July 30	Jonah 4:1-11
July 31	Psalm 103
August 1	Isaiah 40:1-17
August 2	Isaiah 40:18-31
August 3	Isaiah 43:1-13
August 4	Isaiah 44:1-20
August 5	Isaiah 51:1-16