

Elim Lutheran Church The Messenger

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Dear Members of Elim.

Last year we supported Children's Memorial Lutheran Church in Kansas City, Missouri with the monies we gathered on the second Sunday of each month through our Noise Offering and from the Sunday School offering. I received a letter of thanks from their pastor, Rev. Ann Rundquist, which I want to share with you. From the letter you can see that many of the Lutheran Churches in the Kansas City area also help support the ministries of Children's Memorial. The Christian Education Committee and I have decided to continue our support of Children's Memorial through the Noise Offering and the Sunday School offering. I wish to commend and thank you for your generous support of Children's Memorial through these two offerings.

Pastor Delvin



Children's Memorial Lutheran Church

5001 Independence Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64124

September 10,2015

Elim Lutheran Church 403 N Lincoln Marquette, KS 67464

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Thank you so much for your 2015 contribution to Children's Memorial Lutheran Church. Your donation helped us reach our goal of \$15,000, which in turn brought in a matching gift of \$10.000.

Our weekly offerings will be \$10,000 this year and the other \$42,000 comes from fundraisers and generous brothers and sisters like you. Although we have been in the Historic Northeast for 131 years, there is always a challenge to financially support the church in our blighted neighborhood.

Since 2012, we have grown to fifty people worshipping each week. In that we don't have a janitor, secretary, musician, or even a telephone, the congregation takes part volunteering for routine chores.

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We feed up to three hundred nutritious meals each week to the poor, homeless, and people who have disabilities. Fortunately, the Kansas City community supplies the majority of food. As you can imagine, there are other expenses associated with food ministry, such as gas, electricity, and water to prepare and store the food. In October, we plan to open a neighborhood food pantry.

Thank you again for your gracious donation which will assist us in continuing to preach the good news of Jesus Christ, build God's kingdom, and serve each other. Please keep our congregation in your prayers and consider another financial gift for 2016.

Grace and peace,

Ann Rundquist, Pastor

anncrundquist@gmail.com



Thomas proposition

Dates to remember:

Sunday, October 11 9:30 a.m. WELCA Meets Wednesday, October 28 1:30 p.m. Quilting at church

Friday, October 30 2:00 p.m. Riverview Birthday Party

WELCA Group now meets on the second Sunday of the month from 9:30-10:15 a.m. There will no longer be individual group meetings or Wednesday night meetings.

Quilting has been moved to the last Wednesday of the month for 2015.

<u>The Ashby House of Salina, Kansas is in need of</u>: hygiene items, laundry soap, dish soap, diapers, diaper wipes, children's socks & underwear, toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, canned fruit & vegetables, clothing, used household items, used furniture, used appliances, and used yard tools. Please place any items you can give by the Parish Hall and we'll make sure they get donated to the correct person. Thanks – Brooke Olson, WELCA President



Please keep in prayer – Merle Larson, Kelsey Erichsen, Bruce Amos, Mary Olson, David Bunk, Merle Ingemanson, Rev. August Homburg and Rev. Don Laude.

If you have prayer requests, please contact Pastor Delvin or the church office by leaving a note on the bulletin board, calling 546-2244, or emailing to elimsec@gmail.com. The list will renew every three months on April 1, July 1, October 1, and January 1. New prayer list requests will be taken at any time.

Monthly Financial Report

September 2015

General Checking Account:

Beginning Balance as of 8/1/15: \$ 12,430.96
Revenue: \$ 6,806.46
Expenses: \$ (7,868.46)
Ending Balance as of 8/31/15 \$ 11,368.96

~ A NOTE ABOUT THE MESSENGER ~

The October Messengers will be available at church the last Sunday of September and first week of October. They will be labeled by family. Those not picked up will be mailed the following week but will not be received by the 1st.

~ ALTAR FLOWERS ~

The altar flowers on September 9 were given in appreciation of family and friends by Dean and Lois Johnson.

The flowers on September 20 were given by the Bunk Family in thanksgiving to God for our family and friends and in celebration of Wally's Birthday.

~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ~

Spots are still available to assist with Riverview Sing-a-long on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Please sign-up on the main bulletin board if you are able to help in this way.

~ Photography Release Forms~

Photography Release for Minor Child or Children are now due. If you have not turned one in to Dori please do so. They can be found on the bulletin board.

~ HIGH SCHOOL MEALS ~

Meal Providers are needed to provide suppers for the Wednesday night Youth Groups. Please contact Tammy Feil at 620-241-5668 or 620-242-4764 if you can help.

~ Elim Work Day ~

Elim Work day will be Saturday, October 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A general cleanup of the church grounds and updating of rock beds in front of the church will be done along with some exterior painting.

~ NOISE OFFERING ~

The monthly noise offering will be taken on Sunday, October 11 during worship. The Noise Offering, which is taken on the second Sunday of every month, is to benefit the Children's Memorial Lutheran Church in Kansas City, Missouri. Please remember to bring your loose change for the Sunday school children to collect.

~ OFFERING BOOKS ~

2016 offering envelope books will be ordered this month. If you received an offering book last year, but do not use it, please contact the church office at 546-2244 or elimsec@gmail.com so that we do not order you a book for next year. This helps cut down on our costs.

If you are interested in online giving, please visit www.elimmarquette.org and click on the link "Giving Online" to set up an online giving account.

MILESTONES

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Hannah Jones
- 3– Cari Nelson
- 5 Erin Hudson
- 6 Jon Arnold
- 7 Frank Rock Mary Kay Lindh Josh McMahan
- 9 Nancy Hopp Elsie Boughfman
- 10 Nic Traugott
- 11 Lisa Peters
- 12 Evan Talbott
- 13 Dana Olson Will Hedberg
- 14 Fred Peterson Olivia Peterson
- 16 JoNell Lindh Logan Windholz
- 17 Jodi Reazin John Sommerfeld
- 20 Brooke Olson Darin Amos
- 23 Kenny Knackstedt
- 24 Matthew Wickstrom Shannon Weis
- 25 Kasey Kolling
- 26 Emma McBride
- 27 Chris Edwards
- 28 Kaydee McMahan
- 30 Nic Farris
- 31 Marci Fox Morgan Loder



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Morris Nelson 33 years
- 6– Mr. & Mrs. Chris Lohrey 8 years
- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Valdez 37 years
- 12 Mr. & Mrs. Merle Ingemanson –40 years
- 16 Mr. & Mrs. Bob Jones –38 years
- 18- Mr. & Mrs. Scott Feil 18 years
- 25 Mr. & Mrs. Stacy Kaufman –12 years
- 30 Mr. & Mrs. Brian Riedel 22 years



ON THE JOB AT ELIM

ACOLYTES

Sadie McBride and Diana Hernandez

GREETERS

- **4-** Scott and Linda Johnson
- 11- Curtis & Betsy Patrick
- **18-** Scott & Tammy Feil
- **25-** Bob and Carol Jones

LECTORS

- **4-** Diane Hedberg
- 11- Linda Johnson
- **18-** Tammy Feil
- 25- Hannah Jones

CHILDREN'S SERMON

- **11-** Gracie Feil
- 25- Kelly French

COMMUNION SET-UP/CLEAN-UP

4- Sandy Edwards

COMMUNION BREAD

4- Sandy Edwards

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

4 & 18 – Beth Thomas

ALTAR FLOWERS

- **4-** Peter and Susan Hamma
- 18- Scott and Tammy Feil

USHERS

Scott Johnson – captain, Bruce Amos, Danny Caesar, Scott Feil, Randy Jirak, Dixon Johnson, Adam Jones, Bob Jones, Monte Loder, Joel Nelson, Linn Nelson, Brian Patrick, Laurel Patrick, Steve Patrick, Kenny Talbott.

COFFEE HOSTS/HOSTESSES

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- **11-** Linda Johnson
- **18-** JoAn Lindfors
- 25- Hannah Jones

Please sign up in the kitchen if you are able to provide snacks for fellowship time on Sundays from 10:30-11:00 a.m

~ FROM PASTOR'S DESK ~

From Pastor Delvin's Desk

I wish to thank all of you that helped complete the four projects on God's Work, Our Hands Sunday. Because of your hard work we were able to do a much needed sprucing up of the grounds at the Marquette Elementary School, cleaned the Fine Arts Center, did some repair work at the Dance Studio, washed the front window of the Senior Citizens Center and painted shelves in the basement of the church. I also want to thank Beth Thomas, Kate Emory and Patty Kolling for their work to get the lunch ready for us that day. Just a note that currently there is a picture of one of our projects from God's Work, Our Hands Sunday from last year that is being displayed on the Central States Synod website. It shows the group that put up the Ministerial Alliance sign on the south edge of town.

I also want to say a big thank you to all of you who contributed to the Seminarian Scholarship last Sunday.

The WELCA women are again to be commended for making quilts and health kits that will be shipped to Lutheran World Relief on October 8th. There was a blessing of the quilts and kits on Sunday, September 27th.

I will be attending the Bishop's Convocation in Osage Beach, Missouri October 19th through October 22. There will not be confirmation class on Wednesday, October 21st because of this.

I also want to thank Kylie Fox, Lily Boughfman and Pierce Hamma for sharing their musical talent with the residents of Riverview during the Sing Along on September 21st. Thanks are also due to Jackie Larson for making arrangements for them to be there and for accompanying them not only there but also during worship in the morning. It was also uplifting to have many of their family members there to sing along with the residents. I left there that day with my spirits soaring.

As a part of the confirmation program we have people who serve as prayer partners for our Confirmands. I wish to thank the following people for serving as prayer partners: Linda Johnson, Jeremy Snapp, Betsy Patrick, Travis Bunk, Dianne Talbott, Sandra Myers, Adam Jones, Eric Harding, Megan Harding, Morgan Bird, Dorine Cunningham, Nancy Hopp, Kate Emory and Jayleen Sellhorn. Your contribution to the prayer lives of these young people is invaluable.

~ CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES ~

All Church council members were present at the meeting.

Committee Reports

- Worship & Music The junior choir children will sit with their parents during worship. They will sing both songs at the same time during worship and have children's sermon immediately following. The committee proposed 9:00 a.m. church for next summer beginning in the second Sunday in June. Summer church time was tabled for a future meeting closer to next summer.
- Finance & Stewardship Committee discussed Swedish Supper proceeds and recommended options of giving to Riverview Estates, Elim Improvement Fund, Elim Contingency Fund, and Elim Seminary Fund.
- Evangelism Committee is planning a Tanganyika trip in October. Deadline to register for trip is October *Christian Education* –. The next committee meeting will be on October 21 at 6:30 p.m. Diane and Tammy Feil cleaned up the nursery. A printed list of Sunday School teachers was provided
- Property A church work day is scheduled on October 24 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m