



Elim Lutheran Church

The Messenger

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(All services are held on Sunday at 7:00 PM unless otherwise specified)

The theme for this year's Lenten season is SERMON ON THE MOUNT. Ash Wednesday begins with "Blessed are You" based on Matthew 5:1-11. Week 1 (March 10) is entitled "Salt and Light", with Matthew 5:13-16. Week 2 (March 17): "Prayer and Fasting", Matthew 6:5-18. Week 3 (March 24): "Do Not Worry", Matthew 6:25-34. Week 4: "Judge Not", Matthew 7:1-5, Week 5: "Build on Rock", Matthew 7:24-27.

The worship series for Lent takes parishioners through some of the most familiar teachings of Jesus from his Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7 and relates them to the events surrounding Christ's life, death and resurrection. In the process, the services will powerfully reveal that the cross itself is the ultimate sermon on the mount for our journey of faith in this sacred season. (Dean Nadasdy and Tom Eggebrecht, Creative Communications for the Parish)



Ash Wednesday (March 6) at 7:00 PM: Marquette United Methodist Church
March 10: Freemont Lutheran Church
March 17: Elim Lutheran Church
March 24: Marquette United Methodist Church
March 31: Freemont Lutheran Church
April 7: Elim Lutheran Church
Good Friday (April 19) at 7:00 PM: Marquette United Methodist Church



Prayers

Please keep in prayer: LaReta Olson, Maria Gasper, Ida Forristal, Karen Teague, Kenny Talbott, Raymond Rock, Hayes Schmid (friend of Jakob Feil), Josh Nelson, Rhonda McEachern (sister of Rita Brown), Rita Brown, Skye Farris, Danny Morel, Debbie Brown, Mark Cook (Pastor Cross' son-in-law), Don Lundquist, Sarah Jane Smith, Mary Olson, Vernon Olson, Diane Deckard, and Helen Weber.

Elim strives to extend the power of prayer to those who feel they would benefit from it. New prayer requests will be taken at any time. Contact Wally Bunk, leave a note on the bulletin board, or email elimsec@gmail.com. Please note that the list will renew every three months on April 1, July 1, Oct. 1, and Jan. 1. Names will be removed unless there is notification to keep them on the list. Thank you.

~ CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES ~

Church Council – Met February 4. Council members elected Dana Olson, President; Jeremy Snapp, Vice President; Diane Hedberg, Treasurer, and Gayle Nelson, Secretary. New council members are Barry Nelson, Andi Willems, and Allan Lindfors.

Worship & Music: Met February 4. Council representatives are Dana Olson and Andi Willems. Discussed changes to worship service.

Finance & Stewardship: No meeting. Bob Jones will join the committee as council representative. Council members Scott Feil, Dana Olson and Diane Hedberg are also on this committee.

Evangelism: No meeting. Council members Kelly French, Jeremy Snapp, Patty Kolling, and Bob Jones are on this committee.

Social Ministry: No meeting. Council members Patty Kolling, Steve Patrick, Lana Rock, and Bob Jones are on this committee.

Christian Education: Meeting scheduled for February 6. Council representatives are Kelly French and Jeremy Snapp. Council member Diane Hedberg is also on this committee.

Property: Met February 4. Council representative is Barry Nelson. Council members Dana Olson and Scott Feil are also on this committee.

Memorial: No meeting. Lana Rock is council representative for this committee. Council member Diane Hedberg is also on this committee.

Security Committee: No meeting. Jeremy Snapp attended active shooter training in McPherson and reported that Elim can request an overview of our church building in regards to security. Council representatives are Jeremy Snapp and Scott Feil.

Next meeting to be held on March 4 at 7:00 p.m.

CALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Linn Nelson, Darren Able, Hannah Jones, Matt Hedberg, Jackie Larson, Dorine Cunningham, and Carly Peterson.



Don't miss out on ordering white lilies for Easter Sunday! Be watching for the order form in upcoming bulletins and the April Messenger.

WELCA NEWS



WELCA SUNDAY IS MARCH 10. The women of Elim will be giving Wally Bunk, PMA, a rest on this Sunday by taking over the duties and responsibilities of the worship service. Julie Olson will conduct the sermon.

Come early to enjoy a **breakfast** prior to the worship service. WELCA members will be serving breakfast from **9:30 AM to 11:00 AM** as a fundraiser. The breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall and will include egg casserole, cinnamon rolls, fruit and drink/coffee. There will be a freewill offering to help WELCA continue its service to Elim and the community. **WOMEN OF ELIM: Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a breakfast item. Any assistance is appreciated.**

140th ELIM LUTHERAN ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOKS will be available for sale at the WELCA breakfast for \$15.00 each. If you missed out purchasing one earlier in the year, here's your chance to receive these treasured recipes. They also make great gifts for birthdays or other occasions.

"90 DAY FAST" FOR LENT: WELCA is presenting an idea for Lent to help you and give back to the community. You can give up something each day starting **Wednesday, March 6 (Ash Wednesday)** and ending **Easter Sunday, April 21.**

Here's how it works:

- 1) Get a large black garbage bag (with ties) and look around your home each day starting March 6.
- 2) Put only ONE item in the bag per day. Look for items that are in good condition, lightly worn, new or never used. It can be household, personal or food items.
- 3) Bring your full bag to Elim on Easter Sunday. There will be a location specified to place your bag. Your "gifts" will be given and distributed to people in need.

THANK YOU.

SPRING MEETING OF THE SMOKY VALLEY CLUSTER, WOMEN OF THE ELCA: The 2019 Spring Meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, April 27** at St. John's Lutheran Church, 302 S. 7th Street, Salina, Kansas. Put this on your calendar if you are interested in attending.

Riverview Birthday Parties: Please sign up for this special monthly event for Riverview Estates residents. It only entails bringing a snack for residents at 2:00 p.m. on the last Friday of each month. You can do it alone or get someone to assist you. However, Dori Weber is at Riverview to assist you. (NOTE: A new rule is that you must wear gloves or use thongs to serve the residents. Riverview will have the gloves.) Also ---- NO balloons allowed.

Riverview Sing-Alongs: Please sign up to assist with the Sing-alongs that Elim does on the 3rd Sunday of each month (January – May; September – December). Jackie Larson and Brooke Olson chair this committee.

President: JoAn Lindfors; Vice-President: Diane Talbott; Secretary: Jackie Larson; Treasurer: Cindy Bunk.

YOUTH GROUP



Back row: Madison Loder, Michelle Loder, Rylee Cunningham, Lily Boughfman, Abbie Hudson, Emma McBride, and Youth Group sponsor Carly Peterson. Front row, kneeling: Jakob Feil.

VALENTINE'S DINNER

February 16, 2019

5 years of Valentines and Spaghetti! A special thank you to everyone that came to dine with us on a chilly Saturday night. Around 100 guests enjoyed a spaghetti dinner complete with a red velvet cupcake and special gift to remind them of the One whose Love is never ending, God. We had a great time and raised enough funds to plan a mission trip for spring break or summer vacation! Thanks again for your support and we look forward to more events like this.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group is still in need of large floor or sofa pillows, afghans or sofa blankets, end tables, lamps, etc. to make the youth room more cozy. Call Hannah Jones at (620) 245-7352 if you have items you would like to share, or bring them to the church basement on Sunday mornings. THANKS!

SERVING THE LORD IN MARCH

ACOLYTES:

Keira Mullen, Grace Witte

ALTAR FLOWERS:

3 – Tyler and Kelly French

Note: No altar flowers starting Ash Wednesday until Easter.

GREETERS:

3 – Nancy Hopp
10 – Kayley and Layla Fleming
17 – Patty Kolling, Kasey Kolling, Carly Peterson
24 – Bob and Carol Jones
31 – Scott and Linda Johnson

LECTORS:

3 – Brooke Olson
10 – Diane Hedberg, Lois Johnson, Brooke Olson
17 – Ethan Able
24 – Linda Johnson
31 – Bob Jones

CHILDREN'S SERMONS:

10 – JoAn Lindfors
24 – Brooke Olson

COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP:

March 3 - Setup: Beth Thomas & Carol Jones
Bread: Beth Thomas

COMMUNION ASSISTANT:

3 – Wally Bunk
17 – Andi Willems

USHERS:

Wally Bunk – Captain, Matt Hedberg, Will Hedberg, Gail Lindstedt, Barry Nelson, Morris Nelson, Darryl Talbott, Jeremy Snapp, Brady Jones, Shayne Fox

RIVERVIEW SING-ALONG:

March 17 – Brooke Olson, Jackie Larson

RIVERVIEW BIRTHDAY PARTY:

March 29 – _____

COFFEE HOSTESS:

3– Kelly Larson, Gayle Nelson
10 – WELCA
17 – Broke Olson
24 – Beth Thomas
31 - _____

Coffee Host/Hostesses are needed!



Please sign up in the kitchen if you are interested. Bring any treat you want - cookies, cake, donuts, snack crackers, etc.

Set them out at 9:30 a.m. for serving and brew up a pot of coffee for Coffee and Fellowship at 10:30-11:00 a.m. That's all it takes to help. Join us!

Monthly Financial Report

FEBRUARY 2019

Beginning Balance as of 01/01/19:	\$ 37,700.09
Revenue:	\$ 7,626.87
Expenses:	\$ -7,858.86
Ending Balance as of 01/31/19:	\$ 37,468.10

MEAL PROVIDERS are still needed for the month of **April!** If you haven't had a chance to sign up, now's your chance. Thank you to all who have volunteered to date. Sign up now to provide a meal for Elim's Youth Group and Confirmation students on the Wednesday of your choice. Meals should be ready to serve at 6:30 PM. Plan on serving 25 hungry kids! Plastic ware, plates, napkins, and drinks are provided by the youth. Please call or text Tammy Feil at (620) 242-4764 or Hannah Jones at (620) 245-7352 if you're interested in providing a meal.

Meal providers in March: March 6 - Cindy Bunk and Lana Rock; March 13 – Gayle Nelson; March 20 (SPRING BREAK - no meal or meeting); March 27 – Beth Thomas.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Lisa Christensen
- 2 Pierce Hamma
- 2 Blakely Niegsch
- 6 Carri Thies
- 6 Neal Morel
- 6 Ernie Sommerfeld
- 7 Nic Morel
- 7 Taylor Russell
- 8 Lois Johnson
- 9 Justin Myers
- 10 Catalina Hernandez
- 12 Noah Lindfors
- 13 Dean Johnson
- 13 Rochelle Hamilton
- 14 Jeri Hintz
- 14 Brian Patrick
- 14 Andrea Willems
- 15 Jeremy Snapp
- 16 Janet Nelson
- 18 Kenneth Talbott
- 18 Bart Oakley
- 19 Phil Hamilton
- 20 Gayle Phillips
- 20 Wm. Neal Nickel
- 21 Cindy Bunk
- 22 Donald Farris, Jr.
- 23 Kenzi Kaufman
- 24 Laurel Patrick
- 26 Susan Buffington
- 26 Steve Christensen
- 28 Ann Hernandez

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

7 Mr. and Mrs. Leland Nelson	32 years
12 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Emery	36 years

ELIM LIFE GROUP

Meetings in February will be **Wednesday, March 13 and 27 at 7:00-8:00 PM. Come and go** as it works for you. Just come as you are, join in at any point, bring a snack if you like, and listen in or share your thoughts. It is very informal and a great way to reaffirm your faith and bolster fellowship with others. Visit Elim's website or Facebook page for more information.

RIVERVIEW AUXILIARY BAKED POTATO BAR is scheduled for **Saturday, March 16**. Mark your calendars for a fun evening and a great cause.

DON'T FORGET THE NEXT RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE AT ELIM APRIL 2, 2019

All bloodmobiles held at Elim Lutheran Church Parish Hall are from 1:00-7:00 PM and require an appointment. The Red Cross coordinator is implementing a program to allow you to schedule a year in advance. For more information, contact Linda Johnson at (785) 826-5544.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES: Please check the bulletin board for job offers from Mt. Hope Sanctuary and Thrivent Financial.

REMINDERS

Please contact the church secretary for Building Usage Forms if you need to use the Fellowship Hall or church sanctuary for special events. THANKS!

If you haven't filled out the member information update form, please do so. We have only received 10 to date. We are asking ALL MEMBERS to complete these forms to verify the information currently on file is correct. Forms are available in the narthex. THANK YOU!

Elim Lutheran Church Calendar for MARCH 2019 - Revised 02-25-19

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior & Youth Choir – 10:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM GOSPEL MUSIC SUNDAY - 11:00 AM	4 7:00 PM Church Council Mtg.	5	6 6:30 PM – Youth Meal 7:00 PM – Ash Wednesday at United Methodist Church (UMC) 8:00 PM – Senior Choir	7	8	9
10 First Sunday in Lent WELCA Breakfast – 9:30 – 11:00 AM Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior & Youth Choir – 10:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship --10:30 AM WELCA Sunday Worship - 11:00 AM 7:00 – Lenten Service at Freemont Lutheran	11	12	13 6:30 PM – Youth Meal 7:00 PM – HS Youth Group Confirmation Class 7:00 PM – Elim Life Group 7:30 PM – Senior Choir	14	15	16
17 Second Sunday in Lent Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior & Youth Choir – 10:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Worship w/ HC- 11:00 AM Riverview Singalong – 4:00 PM 7:00 – Lenten Service at Elim Lutheran Church	18 Messenger Deadline	19	20 7:00 PM – Confirmation Class 7:30 PM – Senior Choir	21	22	23
24 Third Sunday in Lent Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior & Youth Choir – 10:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Worship w/ Children’s Message - 11:00 AM 7:00 – Lenten Service at United Methodist	25	26	27 1:30 PM - Quilting 6:30 PM – Youth Meal 7:00 PM – HS Youth Group Confirmation Class 7:00 PM – Elim Life Group 7:30 PM – Senior Choir	28	29 2:00 PM – Riverview Birthday Party	30
31 Fourth Sunday in Lent Sunday School – 9:30 AM Junior & Youth Choir – 10:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship - 10:30 AM Worship w/ Children’s Message - 11:00 AM 7:00 – Lenten Service at Freemont Lutheran						KEY: HC = Holy Communion HS = High School