



Elim Lutheran Church

The Messenger

JUNE 2023

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Almost fifty kids experienced "God's Good Creation" at Vacation Bible School this year thanks to the wonderful leaders listed below. We were glad to get to host at Elim this year and look forward to many continued joint explorations in ministry.

Thanks be to God for the three mornings of VBS as well as a lovely worship service in the park together!

w/much joy – Pastor Amy Kay

Elsie Boughfman, Skit
Lily Boughfman, Family Group Leader
Layla Flemming, Craft Jr. Leader
Griff Hawkinson, Family Group Leader
Nancy Hopp, Snacks
Terry Hopp, Snacks & Goat
Linda Johnson, Family Group Leader
Alexis Lustfield, Craft Jr. Leader
Gayle Nelson, Craft Leader
Donna Patrick, Greeting and Registration
Sebastian Pavlovich, Skit
Olivia Peterson, Family Group Jr. Leader
Melinda Rogers, Family Group Leader
Miah Rogers, Family Group Jr. Leader
Kinsley Seely, Family Group Jr. Leader
Emilie Snapp, Family Group Jr. Leader
Darryl Talbott, Games Leader
Diane Talbott, Skits
Beth Thomas, Greeting and Registration
Taton Tubbs, Music and General Help
Adelyn Unruh, Family Group Jr. Leader
Maddy Zeller, Games Jr. Leader

Audrey, Greenleigh and Kimberly from the Marquette Learning Center
Summer Lunch – United Methodist Friends



Please keep in prayer: Sandy Garber, Merle Walker, Courtney French (Ben and Jennifer French's daughter), Connie Rawson, Robert and Jolene Larson, Bev Alstatt, Mary Seybod (Ben French's mother-in-law, wife Jennifer's mother), Allan Lindfors, Bob Jones, Sawyer Lysell-Alkire, Tanner Luttig, Delores Wallace, Lesley, Laurie, Tom French, Bonnie Holopirek (Tammy Feil's friend), Mary Nolan, Amy Jones, Ava Jones, Eva Allen, Ron Carlson, Tammy Hopp, Dennis and Bunnie Hultgren and family, Lynda Krah, Vernon Olson, Ruth Feil and all of the residents at Riverview Estates and all care facilities. Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Doug Anderson.

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 Pastor Amy Kay at 573-808-1980, or email elimmarquette@gmail.com or elimsec@gmail.com. **[Please notify Pastor Amy Kay or the secretary if you wish to have your name removed following recovery or for other reasons. Thank you.]**

WELCA NEWS

WELCA continues to reach out to church members and the community. For Mother's Day, WELCA gifted the women residents at Riverview with slipper socks. They will be gifting the men residents for Father's Day on June 18.

Don't forget Riverview Sing-alongs every 3rd Sunday at 4:00 PM. The next one will be **June 18**. The residents love to see young and old alike come join them for singing and visiting.

THANK YOU to Janis Larson and Beth Thomas for providing snacks and good cheer to the residents at the Riverview Birthday Party May 26. Thank you too to Riverview employee Brooke Olson for helping with this each month.



SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

Elim is again hosting the Summer Lunch Program sponsored and funded by KSDE. This program provides free lunch to all children in the community under the age of 18, and all meals are served at Elim Lutheran Church from May 22 until August 16 (the last day before school starts). The meals will be dine-in and served in the Parish Hall. The Marquette United Methodist Church and Elim work together to provide staffing on alternate weeks. We will need volunteers to prepare, serve, and clean up Monday through Friday from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM during the weeks Elim is responsible. A sign-up sheet will be available on the bulletin board, or call Linda Johnson at 785-826-5544. **THANK YOU FOR HELPING WITH THIS COMMUNITY PROJECT.**

SUMMER LAWN-MOWING

Elim needs volunteers to mow the church lawns this summer, starting in May and ending in September. Please plan to mow on Friday or Saturday to ensure a freshly-cut lawn for Sunday service. The dates are indicated on the sign-up sheet available on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please call Scott Johnson at 785-577-4058.

Thank you to Barry Nelson, Linda Johnson, Griff Hawkinson, and Darren Able for mowing in late April and May.

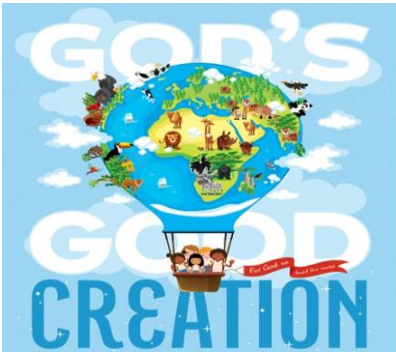




Many thanks to all who signed up to provide special music at Elim the next 4 months! You will find below a schedule. This could be solos, duets, trios, quartets, or any group you care to put together! You are welcome to choose your own music or I can help you. Feel free to use recorded accompaniments, or I am willing to practice with you and accompany you or bring your own accompanist if you like. You are welcome to do 2 selections if you so desire, or one is fine. Please send your special music titles to the church office at elimsec@gmail.com or text to Gayle Nelson at 785-201-7675 by the Thursday morning before you sing by 8 a.m. Thank you for serving Elim Lutheran Church in this way! Feel free to trade with someone if your scheduled time won't work as originally planned! Church starts at 11 a.m.!!

June 11	McMahan Kids	785-227-5607
June 18	Jackie Larson/Fred Peterson	785-376-1931
June 25	Matt Larson	913-475-7092
July 2	Brooke Olson	785-452-5755
July 9	Dana & Julie Olson	785-452-0752
July 16	Pierce Hamma	620-755-2007
July 23	Connie McCue	620-241-3526
July 30	Matthew Everhart	785-643-0835
Aug 6	Jennifer Larson	785-820-0514
Aug 13	Kayley and Layla Fleming	785-218-9468
Aug 20	Carly Patrick	785-227-5707
Aug 27	Mike Hulse	785-212-0422
Sept 3	Chris Johnson and Rachel Villareale	
Sept 10	Adam & Hannah Jones Kids	620-245-7352
Sept 17	Darren Able & Tammy Feil	620-242-4764
Sept 24	Bunk girls	620-242-4764

Thank You!
Jackie Larson – 785-376-1931



MARQUETTE COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Elim hosted VBS this year, with 3 mornings of fun discovering God's Good Creation. The children ages 5 through 4th grade gathered at 9:00 AM each morning, May 31 through June 2, and finished up at 12:15 PM to join the summer lunch held here at Elim. There were skits, stories, songs, crafts, games and simulation to explore the many gifts God has given the world. There was a different animal each day to illustrate ways we can give back to others who need a way to support their families and their community.

On Day 1, the children learned about goats and how they could survive in rough terrains and provide milk and food for the families. The theme was God created the world, and it is good. "God saw everything that was made, and indeed, it was very good." – Genesis 1:31a. The "Formless Void" came to visit the children during the large group opening held in the sanctuary. If you came to the Worship in the Park on Sunday, June 4, you got to see the Formless Void in action.



On Day 2, chicks were the key animal to learn about. The message was that God can use you whatever size you are: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." - Matthew 13:31-32. As you can imagine, 3 chicks came to visit the children that morning, chirping and flapping their wings as they told all the ways little chicks can help families provide food and money for their needs.

On Day 3, the busy little bee made an entrance, buzzing all around. Here the theme was God made everyone different and important: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same God who activates all of them in everyone." – 1 Corinthians 12:4-6. Honey bees have many jobs in and outside of the hives pollinating plants and caring for the other bees in the hive. They provide honey and beeswax for soaps and candles, and allow our crops to grow through pollination.



Sunday Worship in the Park brought in 96 people to share in the community service with the Marquette United Methodist Church. The theme was "working together we can change the world". The guest was Porsche the Pig (a.k.a piggy bank) to demonstrate pigs are a financial asset for people around the world. Pigs can be raised and sold at market for much-needed funds, and provide food for families. "The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for ministry, for building up the body of Christ." – Ephesians 4:11-12. The formless void also made an appearance to explain God's creation from nothingness to this beautiful world. And the children who had attended VBS came up front to sing with Pastor Amy Kay some of the songs they learned this past week. Thank you to Pastor Amy Kay for leading VBS, and to Pastor Brenda Hogan for helping with the service in the park, and to Brian Hopp for setting up the sound equipment in the park.





SO MUCH FUN! From petting goats to making crafts to playing games to stories.





YOUTH SUNDAY / GRADUATE RECOGNITION

Youth Sunday was held April 30, 2023, and was combined with Graduate Recognition for Elim seniors graduating this year. We also congratulated Elim 8th graders moving onto High School, and college graduates. The worship service was led by members of the Youth Group, who served in various functions: acolyte – Ciara Rawson; lectors –Sebastian Pavlovich and Bo Bacon; greeters – Noah Bearley, Elsie Boughfman, and Kody Barry; welcome and greeting – Dawson Feil, Children’s Moment – Keira Mullen; Apostle’s Creed – Colter Patrick; Prayers of Intercession – Elsie Boughfman; Lord’s Prayer and Offering Prayer – Raven Caesar; Blessing and Dismissal – Ethan Able. The seniors (listed below) and Lars Peterson (Youth Group sponsor) presented their experiences on their mission trip to Nashville, Tennessee in March. Their testaments of faith were inspiring. Elim members shared food and conversation with these fantastic young people after the service. The Youth Group and sponsors served up hamburgers and hot dogs, chips, baked beans and cake. Congratulations to our seniors!

GRADUATES



Noah Bearley, Dawson Feil, Josh Bocox, Bo Bacon, Ethan Able, Carly Peterson & Lars Peterson (Youth Group sponsors)

YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS: Ethan Able, Bo Bacon, Kody Barry, Noah Bearley, Josh Bocox, Elsie Boughfman, Raven Caesar, Dawson Feil, Keira Mullen, Colter Patrick, Atticus Pavlovich, Sebastian Pavlovich, and Ciara Rawson

YOUTH GROUP MEALS

Youth Group meals will resume in September. Thank you to all who volunteered throughout the year, and to Carly Peterson and Hannah Jones for providing meals in May.

SERVING THE LORD IN JUNE

ACOLYTES

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LECTORS

June 4	Dana Olson
June 11	_____
June 18	Jackie Larson
June 25	_____

GREETERS

June 4	Nancy Hopp
June 11	Barry and Carylee Nelson
June 18	Nancy Hopp
June 25	Lars and Carly Peterson

USHER FOR JUNE: Scott Johnson

LAWN MOWING:

June 2/3	Darryl Talbott
June 9/10	Griff Hawkinson
June 16/17	_____
June 23/24	_____
June 30/July 1	_____

LECTORS NEEDED FOR JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are willing to read scripture for one of our worship services on Sunday mornings. THANK YOU!

Monthly Financial Report

[As presented to council 05/01/2023]

Beginning Balance as of 04/01/23:	\$ 56,039.29
Revenue:	\$ 10,560.27
Expenses:	\$ -29,089.63*
Ending Balance as of 04/30/23:	\$ 37,509.93

*Due to transfer of \$20,000 from General Account to Money Market Account.

RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE

REMINDER: Red Cross Bloodmobile is scheduled for **TUESDAY, JUNE 13** from 12:00-6:00 PM at Elim Lutheran Church Parish Hall. Please come at your appointment time. THANK YOU FOR GIVING!



NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

May 1, 2023

Council discussed reinstating the Children's Sermon, and possibly hosting a Spring Celebration with combined churches. Pastor Amy Kay is heading up VBS here at Elim May 31, June 1 & 2, and there will be a joint service in the park with the Marquette United Methodist Church on Sunday, June 4 to showcase the theme and activities at VBS.

Worship & Music: No meeting. Pentecost service will be combined with Patriotic service on May 28.

Finance & Stewardship: No meeting.

Memorial Committee: No meeting.

Christian Ed: No meeting. Last day of Sunday School May 21.

Evangelism/Social Ministry: No meeting.

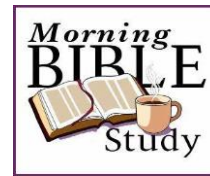
Property/Security Committee: Meeting May 1. Barry Nelson presented bids for church roof repair and the exterior of the parsonage due to storm damage. Cost is covered by insurance.

Next meeting to be held on June 5, 2023

Offerings and Attendance per week in 2023

April 30 (1)	\$1442.00	114
May 7	\$2515.00	47
May 14	\$1646.00	69
May 21	\$1298.00	51
May 28 (2)	\$2035.00	118

(1) Graduate Recognition/Youth Sunday; (2) Pentecost/Patriotic Sunday



The Adult Bible Study held on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM will not meet during the summer months. Plans are to resume in September. Julie Olson, the facilitator, will announce the start-up date at a later time.



Pastor Amy Kay leading the VBS group in simulation.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Maddison O'Loughlin
1	Auley Boughfman
1	Brian Hayden
2	Gracy Feil
3	Kirk Young
6	Molly Martin
6	Wayne McBride
6	Julie Miller
6	Kylan Lindquist
8	Todd Nickel
12	Greg Hopp
14	Barry Nelson
14	Darryl Talbott
14	Ben O'Loughlin
15	Kendra Hopp
16	Morgan Willems
17	Kate Emery
18	Traci Forssberg
20	Hunter Peterson
25	John David Wickstrom
25	Emily Forssberg
27	Glenda Julian
30	Jessica Beagley
30	Jordan Lillard

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1	Mr. & Mrs. Shayne Fox	27 years
3	Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Mannebach	17 years
5	Mr. & Mrs. Steve Forssberg	19 years
7	Mr. & Mrs. Don Miller	37 years
19	Mr. & Mrs. Eric Thies	10 years
24	Mr. & Mrs. Mike Hulse	44 years
26	Mr. & Mrs. Jack Chandler	9 years



A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM ALLAN...

Joan and I want to thank the members of the Senior Choir (and others) who came to see me on Wednesday, May 17th at the Hillsboro Hospital. And for giving me a surprise concert in the emergency waiting room. And for Jackie for leading them and organizing it.

Joan skillfully guided me down the hallway – and surprise! You'll never know how much that meant to me and how grateful I am for all of you. It sounded great! It really boosted my spirits!! **THANK YOU!**

Allan Lindfors




To Dawson Feil and his teammates at McPherson High School for their championship at the 4A State Baseball Championship held in Salina, KS.

Dawson and the McPherson Bullpups won the final game on May 26, 2023, with fans, friends, and family cheering them on. **CONGRATULATIONS!!** Awesome way to end your time at McPherson High School, Dawson.



Pastor Chris Dienes explaining bee hives to VBS children.

Elim Lutheran Church Calendar for JUNE 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM Elim Lutheran Church	2 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM Elim Lutheran Church	3 Synod Assembly Bethany College Virtual Meeting 9:00 AM
4 The Holy Trinity 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study 11:00 AM – Joint Worship Service in City Park (with Marquette UMC)	5 7:00 – Council Mtg. <i>Summer lunch hosted by Elim women this week</i>	6	7	8	9	10
11 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM – Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 AM – Worship Service	12	13 12:00-6:00 PM RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE	14 FLAG DAY	15	16	17
18 3rd Sunday after Pentecost FATHER’S DAY 10:30 AM – Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 AM – Worship Service 4:00 – Riverview Sing-along	19 <i>Summer lunch hosted by Elim women this week</i>	20	21 1:30 – Quilt Group	22	23	24
25 4th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM – Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 AM – Worship Service	26	27	28	29	30	