

# **ELIM COVENANT CHURCH**

## **December 15, 2024**



**Elim Covenant Church**  
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**WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

**December 15, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**

*Elim's mission statement:*

*"To develop leaders who will impact the world for Christ."*

**GATHERING BEFORE GOD**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Kim Shuda**

**OFFERING**

**MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

*"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."*

*(John 1:5)*

**LIGHTING OF THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE**

*Justin & Ashley Ricail*

**WORSHIP SONGS**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**Mary Parrott & Ashley Ricail**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**WORDS FROM GOD**

**MESSAGE**

**Pastor Steve Peterson**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**WORSHIP SONG**

**BENEDICTION**

**GREETERS TODAY** Kim Shuda & Deanna Newton

**Sermon Notes**  
**December 15, 2024**  
**“The Advent of Joy”**

**Isaiah 12:4-6; Zephaniah 3:14-17; Philippians 4:4**

**Key Text:** “... let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.” (Isaiah 25:9)

**Key Thought:** The advent of joy is founded in our Messiah—Immanuel—who is, Himself, our salvation.

1) Intro & Context

2) Joy in **SALVATION** (Isa. 12:1-6) (cf. Ps. 13:5; 35:9; 95:1; Isa. 12:3; 25:9; 61:10)

3) Joy in God’s **PRESENCE** (Zeph. 3:14-17) (cf. Ex. 33:15; Deut. 20:1,4; Ps. 16:11; 18:29; 32:8-11; Isa. 41:10)

4) Joy in **REJOICING** (Php. 4:4) (cf. Ps. 5:11; 37:4; Isa. 61:10; Hab. 3:17-18; 1 Pt. 1:8-9)

5) Conclusion

**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:**

- What is your source of joy?
- How strong is your joy?
- How do you express your joy?

## **Looking Ahead**

Sunday	Dec. 15	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
Tuesday	Dec. 17	9:30 a.m.	SAS Bible Study
Wednesday	Dec. 18	9:00 a.m.	"Amped" Prayer Meeting
Thursday	Dec. 19	9:30 a.m.	Keenagers
Saturday	Dec. 21	10:00 a.m.	<b>Laundry Ministry-Silvis 7-11</b>
		1:30 p.m.	<b>Christmas Caroling</b>
			<b>Meet at Elim</b>
Sunday	Dec. 22	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service
Tuesday	Dec. 24	4:30 p.m.	<b>Christmas Eve Service</b>

## **December Birthdays**

19 – Julie Wells  
21 – Taryn Martin  
22 – John Thompson

## **Attendance Last Week**

Sunday Worship = 71/ Views on YouTube = 25  
Sunday School/Children's Church = 20

## **CHILDCARE SCHEDULE**

### **TODAY, December 15**

Children's Church: Meagan Bear & Mary Parrott

Nursery: Karen Bagatelas & Sheila Yoeckel

### **NEXT WEEK, December 22**

Children's Church: Elizabeth Peterson & Natalie Hermann

Nursery: Kristen Burns & Jamie Cespedes

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