



## TODAY'S WORSHIP

May 09, 2021, 10am

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*"My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Colossians 2:2-3*

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### *Living Waters*

Welcome & Announcements

Offering

Children's Message: "Open Your Mouth Wide and God Will Fill It!"

Pastoral Prayer

*Lord, Speak To Me  
King of My Heart \**

Sermon — "Life Under the Sun" - Ecc. 6 — Pastor Paul Stephen Olson

Communion & Benevolence Offering

*My Worth Is Not In What I Own*

Benediction

Postlude

\* Children (ages 3 - 5th grade) are released to Children's Church.

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Join us next week in person or online at 10:00 am at [facebook.com/elimchurchmpls/live](https://facebook.com/elimchurchmpls/live)  
Check out audio sermons from past weeks at [www.elimchurch.com/sermon-archive/](http://www.elimchurch.com/sermon-archive/)

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

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**TODAY:** 7:15-9:45am Hope Avenue (in front of the church)

10 am Sunday Worship Service (in person and on Facebook)  
<https://www.facebook.com/ElimChurchMpls/live>

10:20 am Children's Church

4 pm Sunday Discipleship Class: This is a study on the book of Mark  
URL: <https://meet.google.com/ast-cxmh-ykk>  
Phone: +1 401-684-3085 PIN: 724 649 481#

**Mon-Fri:** 12 noon Noon Online Prayer Meeting  
URL: <https://meet.google.com/ast-cxmh-ykk>  
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**Mon:** 10 am Ladies' Monday Bible Study is on the NT using *The Story* by Randy Frazee.  
(You can join the class by using the link and/or phone number above.)

**Wed:** 5:30 pm Wednesday Wave with Mrs. S (online)  
<https://meet.google.com/qgh-rjyr-zae>  
6-7 pm *Re-Covering in God* Bible Study. Contact Sue Watlov Phillips  
([suewatlovp@aol.com](mailto:suewatlovp@aol.com)) for more information.

6:30-8 pm Youth Group

**Thurs:** 6:30-8 pm Church Staff Meeting

**Fri:** 8:00 am Men's Bible Study meets on Zoom. Email Stephen Murck ([smurck@gmail.com](mailto:smurck@gmail.com))  
for connection information.

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### Save the date:

~~ Tuesday, May 18, 2021	Celebrate Recovery class
~~ Saturday, May 22, 2021	ECY "Leader Hide & Seek" at Rosedale Mall
~~ Sunday, May 30, 2021	Praise and Worship night with young adults leading
~~ Sunday, June 6, 2021	Graduation Sunday
~~ Friday, June 11-12, 2021	Staff retreat
~~ Fri-Sun, July 9-11, 2021	ECY Ham Lake Retreat
~~ Fri-Sun, Aug 13-15, 2021	Family Camp at Ham Lake

## UPCOMING EVENTS and NEWS

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**Weekly after church** (weather permitting), **Chris and Leslie Smith** invite everyone from the Elim congregation to gather for laughter, conversation, and refreshments in their backyard at 1535 Jefferson Street NE. Stop by for a moment, or stay and linger for a while.

**Wednesdays: Children's Ministry:** Join Ms. S. for Wednesday Wave at 5:30 online. Sign on to the google meet to connect. <https://meet.google.com/qgh-rjyr-zae> Any questions, please contact [Deb@elimchurch.com](mailto:Deb@elimchurch.com)

***"Thank you people of Elim for the beautiful memory book and kind and loving words of encouragement and flowers. Melanie Eslinger has made it possible for me to give a lasting gift back to each of you. She has put all of the Children's Messages on YouTube. To access just go to YouTube and type in 'Deb Somody' and you can watch them with your children or grandchildren. Thank you, Melanie!"** ~-Deb*

**Sunday Children's Program:** Children ages 3 to 5th grade will be released before the sermon to a special program run by Heather Olson, on our 3rd Floor. Families can register their children in person before the service begins or pre-register through the Church Center app on their phones (go to [churchcenter.com](http://churchcenter.com) on your mobile device to download the app, but you will still need to complete the check-in in person each week). If

you don't have the app, we can help you get registered. If you have attended Elim Kids in the past two years, you are likely already in the system; please sign in to the app using your existing email address. If you aren't able to sign in before the service begins, please accompany your child to the 3rd floor to register them when they are released from the service.

**Elim Kids** needs volunteers for our Sunday morning ministries. We need people to assist Heather in the lesson and craft time; and also people to help with the checking in and out before and after the service ends. If you are interested please email [anissa@elimchurch.com](mailto:anissa@elimchurch.com) for more details.

**ECY** will be having a "Leader Hide and Seek" event **Saturday, May 22nd, 2-5 pm** at Rosedale Mall. The youth will meet and end at the Caribou next to Macy's on the lower level East Court. If you have questions please contact Andy.

We wanted to bring to your attention a **GoFundMe campaign for the Alvord's**:

*Recently, the family learned that the owners of the house they've been renting since 2012 need to sell the property due to pandemic-related financial issues. Jeff and MeiQi have looked at other properties that would be accessible for Anja's wheelchair, but in the end, they decided they would like to buy the house they're currently in. They're happy where they are, and with Anja's continued medical needs, moving would be a major upheaval in the family's life.*

*The Alvord's are applying for a state grant to cover part of their down payment and need to raise the rest. If you would like to give towards this need, please follow the link: <https://gofund.me/7d503de4>  
Your contribution will make a real difference to the Alvord family! Thank you!*

**Volunteer Needed to Answer Office Phones.** Until a person is hired, we need to have help answering the office phones. Please connect with Gloria Metz for further information.

**Help Wanted:** Elim is hiring for a front-office position for 15 hours per week. We would like to have an Office Assistant, who must have strong computer skills and be detail-oriented OR a Receptionist. Both positions have a job description. You may stop by, call the office, or email [info@elimchurch.com](mailto:info@elimchurch.com) for the job description and application.

#### **Prayerful Pause**

*"Relax in the knowledge that the One who controls your life is totally trustworthy. Come to Me with confident expectation. There is nothing you need that I cannot provide." Dr. Jeff Martin, DMD, MS*

## SERMON NOTES

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### “Life Under the Sun: Part 9 - The Test of Wisdom and Truth”

Pastor Paul Stephen Olson

**Last Week:** Happiness is not something to be pursued, it is a by-product of a life lived in God. Like money and possessions, happiness is fleeting (like vapor) but it is God’s gift, so be ‘occupied with joy’ all the days of your life.

**This Week:** In the somewhat cryptic sixth chapter of Ecclesiastes we are left with more questions than answers. Yet, even in the questions, we can find answers. What advantage is there to living wisely? How can we tell if someone is wise or lives out the truth? Why can’t we know what the future holds?

We look at Scripture and the life of Jesus to learn what wisdom and truth are.

Obtaining Wisdom and Truth: Observation vs. Revelation  
(Proverbs 1:1-8, Exodus 33:22, Luke 2:52)

Understanding Wisdom and Truth: Direct Communication vs. Indirect Communication  
(Ecc. 1:2, Mark 2:9-12, Matthew 17:2)

Living out Wisdom and Truth: Propositional vs. Relational  
(Colossians 2:1-5, John 14:6, Romans 6:11, 8:1)

Living the Better/Good (tov) Life:

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