



✝ Elim Church

*“Now you are the body of Christ and
individually members of it.” 1 Cor. 12:27*

October 31, 2021

TODAY'S WORSHIP

October 31, 2021, 10 am

Holy Spirit

Welcome & Announcements

Offering ([Online Giving](#))

Come All Christians, Be Committed

Pastoral Prayer

*All The Same **

Sermon — “*Blossom: Basics in Faith, Part 3* ” — Pastor Paul Stephen Olson

Take Heart, My Friend

Benediction

Postlude

** Children (ages 3 through 5th grade) are dismissed to children's church.*

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

EVENTS TODAY

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| TODAY: 9:30 am | The Gathering with Bagels / Ice Water and Coffee (Dining Room) |
| 9:45 am | Prayer Room for anyone needing prayer w/ Pastors Becky & Paul |
| 10 am | Worship Service (in person and on Facebook)
https://www.facebook.com/ElimChurchMpls/live |
| 10:20 am | Children's Church |
| 11 am-12 pm | Quarterly Business Meeting (No Adult Connection Classes) |
| 5-8 pm | Harvest Party: Trunk or Treat |

October 31: Quarterly Business Meeting No Adult Connection Class

November 7 & 14: Exploring Greece and Turkey

Carl Rasmussen, Facilitator and hosted by Pastor Becky

Book: *Greco-Roman World in the Era of the New Testament*.

Nov. 21, 28 - Part 2 - Artificial Intelligence and the Image of God (Brian T. and Kyle M.)

Dec. 5 - All Ages Advent Family Prayer Gathering

Dec. 19, Dec. 26, Jan. 2 - no Sunday Connections (holiday break)

Jan. 9 - January Term starts, Movie and a Discussion (middle school and up)

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Mon-Fri:** 12 noon Noon Online Prayer Meeting
 URL: <https://meet.google.com/ast-cxmh-ykk>
 Phone: +1 401-684-3085 PIN: 724 649 481#
- Tues** 10 am Women's study on the Book of Mark - at the online link above
- Wed:** 6-7 pm *Re-Covering in God* Bible Study.
 6:30-8 pm Youth Group
- Fri:** 8:00 am Men's Bible Study meets on Zoom.
- Sat:** 8-11 am Hope Avenue Ministry **with Kidz Klozet**

Save the date (check the events page for information that may be available):

- ~~ Mon, 11/8, 6:30 pm Women's study on Spiritual Gifts- in-person (Lounge) or online at the link above
- ~~ Tues, 11/9, 9 am Merry Makers Breakfast at Fat Nat's Eggs, 2700 39th Ave. NE, St. Anthony 55421
- ~~ Mon, 11/15, 7 pm Elim Book Club via Zoom
- ~~ Tues, 11/16, 7-8 pm *Freedom in Christ*
- ~~ Wed, 11/17, 6:30-8 pm Songwriting/Poetry Night in the Sanctuary
- ~~ Tues, 11/30, 8:45-10:45 am Merry Makers to *Feed My Starving Children*

UPCOMING EVENTS and NEWS



HARVEST PARTY!

TODAY, 10/31 - 5-8pm
Everyone is invited!



Online
Volunteer
Form

[OUTDOORS @ Elim's Parking Lot]
You and your family will get to enjoy:

- Trunk-or-Treating (candy/snacks)
 - yard games
- FREE hot cider and chili-to-go!
- Face painting
- music and games!
- Harvest store w/Food & Gift Items

Sign up to Serve ([Online Volunteer Form](#))

Helen Mohl's Service: Please join us for the celebration of Helen's life on Friday, November 12, 11 am, at Elim, followed by a catered lunch. We thank the Lord for the gift of her presence among us all these years.

Hope Avenue Twin Cities: The Shelter Board has received its nonprofit incorporation through the IRS and is now raising the funds needed for the establishment of a year-round Hope Avenue shelter. You can continue to partner in this important work of the Lord with your financial gifts for shelter, food, and clothing for those experiencing homelessness. Please designate your tax-deductible gift to *Hope Avenue Twin Cities*, and just put it in the offering or mail it to the church. Together we can make it happen!! You can contact us at www.hope-avenue.org or through our treasurer: candy@hope-avenue.org

Prayerful Pause

God has given the spiritual gifts "to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up..." *Ephesians 4:12*

“Blossom: Basics In Faith”, Pt. 3 -The Organism: The Body of Christ

Pastor Paul Stephen Olson

The ‘Basics In Faith’ series focuses on the distinctive practices of our church and the church worldwide. These are the ‘ordinances, institutions, and traditions of faith’ that both bring us together and set us apart as a people ‘in Christ’.

The ‘body’ is made alive by drinking of one holy spirit, Vv. 12-13 (A New People)

- *the completed/perfected body - Christ*
- *baptism leads to becoming in Christ*
- *a global and cross-cultural family*

The body is many members, Vv. 14-19 (Individuality)

- *unity vs. conformity to one another*
- *function over form*
- *God's individual arrangement and choosing*

The many members are one body, Vv. 20-27 (Mutuality)

- *others over self - a collective*
- *community over individualism (belonging)*
- *we suffer with and honor each other*

Spiritual Gifts and Gifts to the Body of Christ (Spirituality)

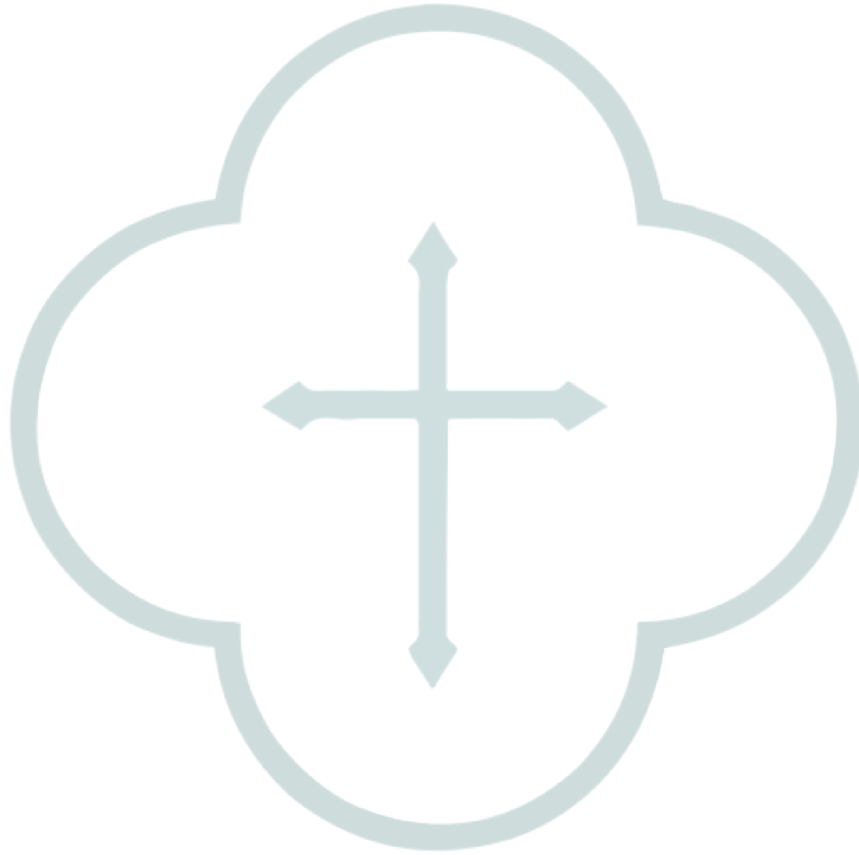
- *In order to experience the fullness of God*
- *for the mutual ‘building up of the body.’*
- *for serving one another and the world*

Further Questions and Reading:

Read: Ephesians 4:1-11, Romans 12, and the remainder of 1 Cor. 12

What is unity and how does it differ from conformity? What is my role in the body of Christ and how do I come to know and understand that? What does it mean to be a member of Christ's body (part of one another)? How does my belonging to Christ's body affect other relationships like family, marriage, and work partners?

Next Week: ‘Blossom!: Basics in Faith’, Part 4, *The Ministry of Reconciliation*



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