

*“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
everything old has passed away; see,
everything has become new!”*

2 Cor. 5:17

November 7, 2021

TODAY'S WORSHIP

November 7, 2021, 10 am

Never Be The Same

Welcome & Announcements

Offering ([Online Giving](#))

By Our Love

Pastoral Prayer

*Refiner **

Sermon — “*Blossom: Basics in Faith, Part 4*” — Pastor Paul Stephen Olson

In Christ Alone

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

TODAY:	END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
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-Noon	Sunday Connections, Adult, Youth and Children's Ministry Options

UPCOMING EVENTS and NEWS

Helen Mohl's Service: Please join us at Elim for the celebration of Helen's life on Friday, November 12. Visitation at 10 am, Service at 11 am, at Elim, followed by a catered lunch. We thank the Lord for the gift of her presence among us all these years. You can also join us online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SAJcbvCNH10&authuser=0>

The **Elim Book Club** will meet on Nov. 15, 2021, via Zoom at 7:00 pm. Book: *A Good Time for the Truth, Race in Minnesota* (There are many contributors to the book). Mary Westerberg will be the discussion leader. If you would like to read and discuss this book and haven't been a regular Book Club member, contact Suzanne Dahl for a Zoom invitation (651.497.5188, suzmdahl@gmail.com).

Newcomers' Lunch: If you are new to Elim and would like to meet the pastors and learn more about us, please join us for a fun and casual welcome lunch on Sunday, November 21, at 12:15 pm in the Library.

Hope Avenue Twin Cities: The Shelter Board has received its EIN 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

New Location for Hope Avenue Twin Cities: The shelter will be housed at 1229 Logan Avenue North at the Apostolic Church. Improvements to the space are needed as we seek to open the shelter as soon as possible with the cold weather coming. If you are available to help please send a text to Stephen Murck at stephen@hope-avenue.org.

Prayerful Pause

"In Christ's family, there can be no division into Jew and non-Jew, slave and free, male and female. Among us, you are all equal. That is, we are all in a common relationship with Jesus Christ." Galatians 3:28 The Message

“Blossom: Basics In Faith”, Pt. 4 (The Ministry of Reconciliation)

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 Ministry of Reconciliation - The vision of life “in Christ” takes the ministry of Jesus to its fullest conclusion. “May your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven” means we are living as heavenly ambassadors to earth, joining in God's work of reconciling all things.

The problem with “the human point of view” (Vv. 16-17)

The domain of human knowledge (facts and theory)

Cynical “truth-telling” is just another form of lying (D. Bonhoeffer)

Receiving the Ministry of Reconciliation in Christ (Vv. 18-19a, 21)

We must, but we can't: what do you have that you did not receive? (1 Cor 4:7)

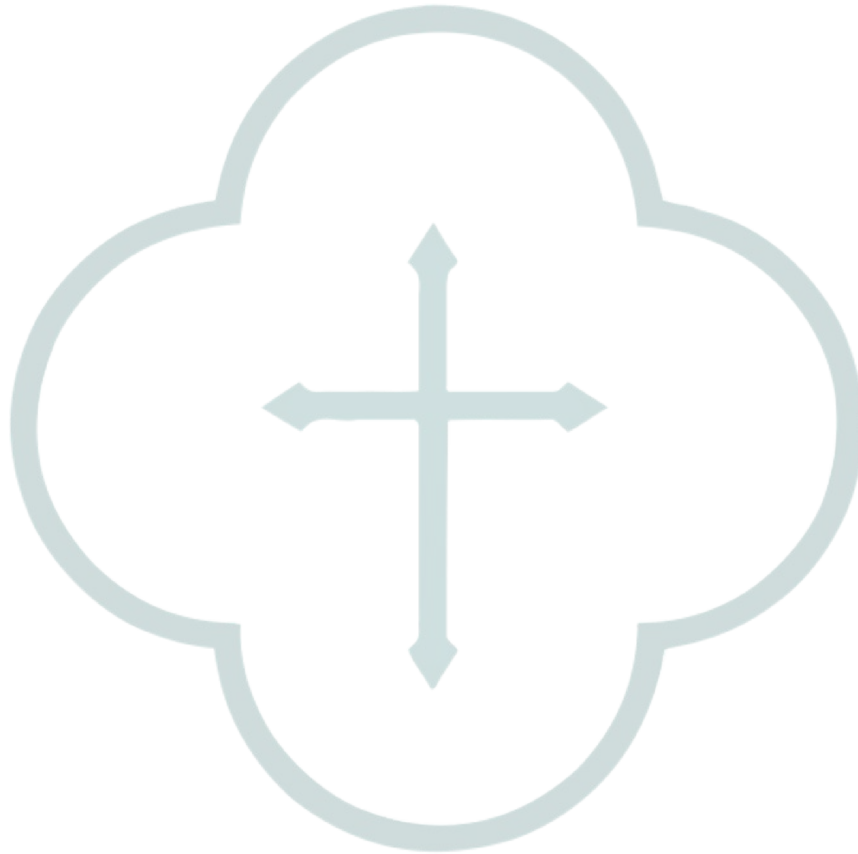
Someone did it! ...the solution to our brokenness and alienation (he became sin for us)

Elim Church Values Statement: **Reconciled** – *We are a community of reconciliation through faith in Jesus Christ. Being reconciled to God, we intentionally tear down the racial, cultural, economic, and social walls that divide us. (www.elimchurch.com/values)*

Let's get practical and DO this “ministry” (Vv. 19b-20) Write down some keywords or names below:

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Next Week: The Conclusion of ‘Blossom!: Basics in Faith’, Part 5, *The Lord's Supper*



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