

The Names of Christ



The Bread of Life

January 9, 2022

"Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval." John 6:27

Great Are You, Lord

Welcome & Announcements

Offering ([Online Giving](#))

Life Divine

Pastoral Prayer

*Come To Me **

Sermon — "Names of Christ: *The Bread of Life*" -- Pastor Paul Stephen Olson

Communion & Benevolence Offering

Remember

Benediction

Postlude

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

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EVENTS TODAY

- TODAY:** 9:30 am **No Gathering today because of Covid** (Gatherings are postponed and will be held at a later date.)
- 10 am **Worship Service** (in person and on Facebook)
<https://www.facebook.com/ElimChurchMpls/live>
- 11:15 am-Noon **Christmas Clean-Up**
No Adult or Children's Connections, and No Membership Class today because of Covid (Classes are postponed and will be held at a later date.)

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#
- Mon:** 6:30 pm Women's Monday Bible Study on Women of the Bible at the online link above
- Tues:** 10 am Women's Tuesday Study on the Names of Christ at the online link above
6:30-8:30 pm Leadership Team Meeting
- Wed:** 6-7 pm *Re-Covering in God* Bible Study
6:30-8 pm Youth Group meeting
- Fri:** 8-9:30 am Men's Bible Study online
- Sat:** 8-11 am Hope Avenue Ministry

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

- ~~ Tues, 1/18, 7-8 pm *Freedom in Christ*
- ~~ Sun, 1/23, 11:15 am-12 pm **Quarterly Business Meeting**
- ~~ Mon, 1/24, 6:30 pm Women's Monday Bible Study at the online link above
- ~~ Sat, 2/5, 8-11 am Hope Avenue Ministry with Kidz Klozet and
The Unlimited
- ~~ Mon, 2/7, 6:30 pm Women's Monday Bible Study at the online link above
- ~~ Tues, 2/8, 9 am Merry Makers Breakfast

Prayerful Pause

Read verses John 6:36-40 and notice the verbs.

How does Jesus see unbelief?

What is the difference between "seeing him" (36) and "looking to him"? (40)

What does it mean to "come to him"?

What promise does he give to those who come to him?

UPCOMING EVENTS and NEWS

Mask Mandate [1/6/22] Elim Church is participating in the Mayors' city-wide mask mandate for all attendees in our gatherings. Sunday connections have been postponed to a later date. Please join us in person on Sunday and wear a mask (unless there is a medical reason not to).

Thanks for your understanding! We will get through this together!



Pastor Paul and Pastor Becky on behalf of the Leadership Team.

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Merry Makers: Just a quick note to let you know all January MerryMaker activities have been canceled (i.e., the Second Tuesday Breakfast and January event). We look forward to being able to meet together again soon. In the meantime, stay warm - and stay safe!

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Membership Class at Elim is postponed until February because of Covid. Watch the bulletin for further details on this class.

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Women's Monday Bible Study: 6:30 pm, every other Monday, beginning Jan. 10 – online
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The Bible is full of stories that invite us to experience God in ways that are relevant to our lives. When we think of a Bible study on women in the Bible, better-known women come to mind: Mary, Sarah, Eve, Ruth and Naomi, Deborah and Mary Magdalene. This study at Elim will focus, however, on women of faith who are not as well known but whose lives and actions we readily identify.

Gossip, isolation, unworthiness. They are all words we can identify with. But Jesus calls us to a new journey: wholeness of speech, acceptance, love, and transformation. Come join us as we consider the biblical invitations to grow as women of God as written from the lives of real women with real lives. Leaders: Jill Jezierski, Gloria Metz, and Pastor Becky

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Hope Avenue Twin Cities: We opened the men's shelter on January 1 at 1229 Logan Avenue North alongside the Apostolic Church. Christ as the *Bread of Life* is meeting our every need.

- We welcome your financial partnership in this important work of the Lord. You may 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!! Or you can click on: <https://elimchurchmpls.churchcenter.com/giving/to/hope-avenue>
- Needed items include: room size heating units, office furniture, 2 computers, large bags towels and bedding, wall clocks.
- Once HATC's 501(c)(3) is finalized with the IRS, the shelter will be designated nonprofit and a separate entity from Elim Church. However, the Hope Avenue Saturday outreach will continue as a ministry of the church.

SERMON NOTES

“The Names of Christ: - The Bread of Life”

Pastor Paul Stephen Olson, MDiv

We continue our series on the Names of God with a sermon series in January exploring the names of Christ from the New Testament. Today is communion Sunday.

Today's Scripture Text: John 6:25-40, Genesis 31

In the Bible "bread" functions as a pathway toward practical wisdom and spiritual sustenance.

Common bread (of the earth)

Uncommon Bread (of heaven)

What does Jesus mean when he calls himself, “the Bread of Life”?

A story about bread: Jacob goes from trickster chef to peacemaker & bread giver (Gen. 31)

Three takeaways from the story:

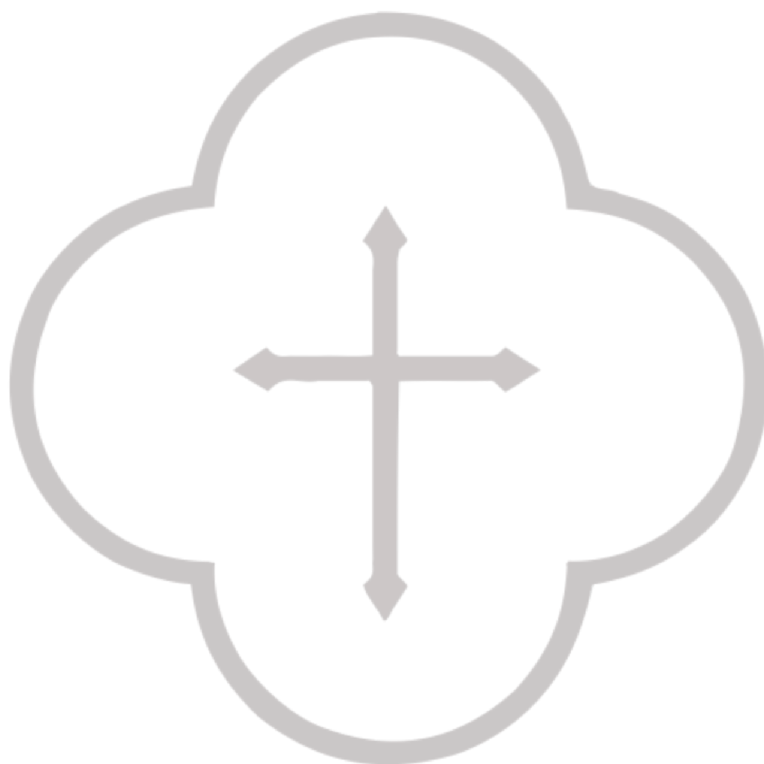
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Taking Communion: *The “bread of life” offers his life and body (bread) in exchange for our life/body.*

Next Week: Names of Christ series continues with Pastor Paul preaching “Jesus: The Alpha and Omega” Revelation 1:8



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