

Order of Worship  
January 8, 2023  
First Sunday after Epiphany  
Elim Reformed Church – Kings, IL

**\*Please stand, if possible**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (John 1:1-4, 14)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**Jesus was in the beginning with God. Through Him all things were made.**

In Him was life and that life was the light of mankind.

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

The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us.

**We have seen His glory, the glory as of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

\*Hymn #201 “The Star Carol”

Elder and Deacon Installation

Scripture: Psalm 121

\*Hymn #220 (vs. 1, 2, & 5) “We Three Kings of Orient Are”

Sermon “Off Roding with the Psalmist”

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Thanksgiving after Communion

Brothers and sisters, since the Lord has now fed us at his Table, let us praise God’s holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him, who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all, and will also give us all things with him.

Therefore, shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord, from this time forth forevermore. Amen.

\*Hymn #513 “Lead On, O King Eternal”

Benediction

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodney Hayenga and Bob Alderks will be installed into the **offices of Elder and Deacon** respectively this morning. We will also celebrate the **Lord's Supper**. All offerings will go towards the **Benevolent Fund** unless designated otherwise.

After worship today we will celebrate those with **January birthdays** with cake and fellowship downstairs. Everyone is invited!

The **Elim Post-High School Grant Guidelines and Applications** are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex and on the church's website. The *deadline* to turn them in is Tuesday, January 17.

Need a New Years Resolution? Consider reading the Bible in 2023. The first 31 days of a **reading plan** you could follow are located on the table by the offering box.

### Prayer Concerns

(please remember these and others in your prayers!)

- ✠ *Roger Bruns*- hospitalized with Guillain-Barre Syndrome at University of Iowa Hospital, Iowa City
- ✠ *Elijah Jacobs*- hospitalized at Lurie Children's Hospital with liver, kidney, and brain complications caused from autoimmune encephalitis
- ✠ *John Swanson*- dealing with kidney & prostate cancer
- ✠ *Peggy Howe*- being monitored for breast cancer
- ✠ *Members* dealing with variety of pain issues
- ✠ *Marla Rozeboom, Jan Maas, and Diane Terviel*- dealing with chronic health issues

