



*Mark 10:51: Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again."*



Our Mission: To  
boldly glorify God.

**Elim Lutheran Church**

**Scandia, Minnesota**

**October 24, 2021**

**22nd Sunday After Pentecost**

**Introduction:** Can we pray the way Bartimaeus prays? People try to hush him up because by addressing Jesus as “Son of David” he is making a politically dangerous claim that Jesus is the rightful king. Could our prayers ever be heard as a threat to unjust powers that be? Bartimaeus won’t give up or go away quietly, but repeats his call for help more loudly. Do we ask so boldly? And are our prayers an honest answer to Jesus’ question, “What do you want me to do for you?”

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome**

## **Ringling of the Bells**

**Hymn:** *ELW - 665 Rise, Shine, You People!, verses 1, 2, & 4*

## **Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

**Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Reading:** Jeremiah 31:7-9

**Special Music:** *Now I See* – Words/music by Paul and Hannah McClure

*Born to the darkness I was rejected and cut off from hope. I couldn't see His love for me. They said He's not who He seems. Don't get your hopes up for healing. But lies fell away when I saw His face*

*My heart burst to life. I saw delight in His eyes when He looked at me. My whole world's on fire. Alive in the presence that burns inside of me. Now I know whose I am. Forever I'll stand on Your truth. I believe 'cause I was blind but now I see*

*Night turned to daylight for me. Joy is the song that I sing. All of my days are filled with Your praise.*

*No one could ever take my song away. My eyes were opened and I saw His face. No one could ever take away my faith. My life was changed the day that Jesus came.*

**Reading:** Mark 10:46-52

**Sermon**

**Hymn:** *ELW 815 - I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light, verses 1 & 2*

**Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Offering**

**Offering Prayer**

**God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and  
manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us.  
Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so  
dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

**Petition Response: Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.**

**Lord's Prayer****Blessing and Sending**

People of God,  
 you are Christ's body,  
 bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, † one God,  
 bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude****Worship Participants**


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Preaching Today: Pastor Sarah Henrich

Organist/Pianist: Brian Voss

Special Music: Maren Beckman

**Schedule for the Week**


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| Today | 10/24 | 8:00 a.m. Worship<br>8:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study<br>9:30 a.m. Worship |
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| Mon. | 10/25 | 9:30 a.m. Quilters<br>7:00 p.m. AA |
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| Wed. | 10/27 | 3:45 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. LOGOS<br>6:00 p.m. Bell Choir<br>7:00 p.m. Adult Choir |
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| Sun. | 10/31 | 8:00 a.m. Worship<br>8:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study<br>9:30 a.m. Reformation Worship w/Confirmation |
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## Announcements

### Call Committee Update

Since the middle of summer the call committee has been prayerfully proceeding with the call process. While we have provided some updates along the way, I'm sure you are curious, perhaps even anxious, to know where we are currently in the process. Since the process began, we have worked with the Synod call process advisor to identify candidates that would be ideal for Elim. We have been blessed with three candidates that were all very good candidates. After the first round of interviews, we asked two of those candidates back for a second interview in order to discern which candidate would be the best fit for Elim. Due to scheduling conflicts and some conflicts due to Minnesota's continued struggle with COVID the second interview process was delayed a little longer than we would have liked; however, thankfully we were able to complete the second interviews in the early part of October.

During the second interviews we continued to be impressed with both candidates and found that both candidates had several strengths and skills that would greatly benefit Elim. With that being said, while the committee felt that both candidates would be strong leaders for Elim, we remained undecided as to which candidate would be the best fit for us. We have extended an invitation for a third interview to both candidates and thankfully both candidates have accepted. The third and final interviews will be completed soon and we expect to make a recommendation to the council and congregation by the early part of November.

Thank you for your prayers and faithfulness.

Tim Newcomb  
Chair of the Call Committee

## Keep Your Contact Information Updated

Are you planning to move – or have you already moved? Do you use a cell phone instead of, or in addition to, a land line? Do you escape to a warmer climate during the cold and snowy Minnesota winter? Call or email Joan to update your information.

651-433-2723 - joan.detzler@elimscandia.org

**NOTE:** The membership system can maintain an alternate address and can be set up to use that address during a specific period. All we need is the alternate address and the dates you are typically at that address. The system does the rest.

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## Bega Kwa Bega Scholarships

In the past, Elim has provided approximately 10 scholarships per year. We hope to not disappoint a child who wants to get an education. We take education for granted. They don't! You can help by providing all or part of a scholarship. Please make your check payable to Elim Lutheran Church and write *Bega Kwa Bega* in the memo. You can put it in the offering plate, give or send it to the church office, or give to Rick Sandager. Thank you for your support. Rick Sandager (651-402-8383)



Reformation is Sunday, October 31. Remember to wear **red** – even if you are joining us via livestream.



**Reminder:** Daylight Saving time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 7. Don't forget to turn your clocks **back** an hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 6.



**Sunday, October 31 – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Safe Halloween Event**

**Scandia Fire Station**

Scandia-Marine Lions providing food, and candy will be handed out.

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Do you have an announcement you would like included in the bulletin?  
Email or call Joan with the information no later than the Wednesday  
before the Sunday it needs to be included.

joan.detzler@elimscandia.org  
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### **Electronic Giving**

Interested in setting up a one-time donation or reoccurring giving from your checking account or with a credit card? This QR code will take you to the Giving page on Elim's Website, or go to [www.elimscandia.org](http://www.elimscandia.org) and click on Giving. The E-Giving button will take you to the page to set up a donation. Just follow the prompts on the screen.



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Monday – Friday

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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