

## Dates To Remember

<b>Apr. 13</b>	Holy Communion
<b>20</b>	Food Bank Sunday
<b>29</b>	<i>Religion and Science</i> – Part 1 of lecture series 7 pm (Campbell)
<b>May 1&amp;2</b>	Rummage Sale set-up and donation drop off (Fleck Hall)
<b>3</b>	Rummage Sale – 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
<i>Dew Drop In</i> - coffee/tea and fellowship, every Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Fleck Hall. Join us!	

**NOTE:** Some of these dates and times are subject to change.

Holy Week



- † **Palm Sunday – April 13, 10:30 a.m.**
- † **Good Friday Worship – April 18, 10:30 a.m.**
- † **Easter Sunday Worship – April 20, 10:30 a.m.**



The Men's Mission is in dire need of the following items: underwear, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, deodorant.

For the month of April, please consider donating any or all of the above items to the laundry basket in the narthex and they will be delivered to the head office at York and Rectory streets. Thank you from the Mission Committee.

If you prefer to donate cash or cheque, please feel free to do so. Cheques are to be made payable to *Elmwood Ave. Presbyterian Church Mission Project*, please and thank you.

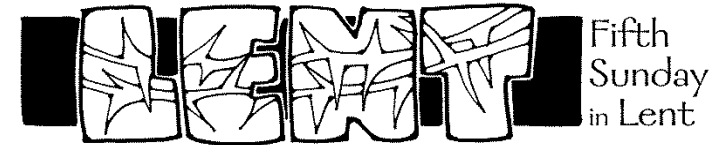
**Would you like to join a committee at Elmwood Presbyterian?** The Mission Committee could be the right choice for you. This committee meets infrequently, often after church, and is looking for some enthusiastic new members with fresh ideas. If you are interested, please speak to Juel Howse-McLean anytime at church or telephone or email her at: 519-852-0950 or [juelisfinally@gmail.com](mailto:juelisfinally@gmail.com). I would be extremely happy to hear from you.



PWS&D works with the Presbyterian Church of Ghana to advocate for the rights and inclusion of individuals with disabilities. The Garu Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) Centre offers life and vocational skills training. Tilata Mahama, a 40-year-old, shares her experience: *"I could not move due to my disability. The CBR program, supported by PWS&D, came to my aid with a tricycle and trained me in simple trading skills and the capital to start a business. Now, I can go to church to worship God with the aid of the tricycle. I also own and run a shop where I sell confectionaries and other items to support myself and my children. I am so grateful to the CBR and PWS&D for coming to my aid." Your gifts to PWS&D make a difference!*



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**April 6, 2025**

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton  
Today's Worship Leader: Rev. Herb Hilder  
Music Director: Bonnie Neaves  
Today's Organist: Lorraine Clark  
Organist Emeritus: Bert Van der Hoek, ARCCO

*Welcome!*

Our mission as a congregation, with the Holy Spirit as our guide, is to share the good news of Jesus Christ in the world, and to fulfill our responsibilities to God and our neighbours.

An offering can be made in one of the offering plates upon entering or leaving.

*If able, please stand where indicated with an \* asterisk.*

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

## We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

\*Hymn: **Come let us to the Lord our God**

**# 194**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

L: Lord, have mercy upon us

**P: Christ, have mercy upon us**

L: Lord, have mercy upon us

Prayer for the Day

**P: Amen**

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you all

**P: And also with you**

\*Hymn: **Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus our blessed Redeemer** # 372

## **Hear the Word of God**

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament: **Ezekiel 34:1-10**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Responsive Psalm: **23**

**\*Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.*

Gospel Lesson: **St. John 10:11-18**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

**P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

\*Hymn: **There were ninety and nine** # 347

Sermon: **"I am the Good Shepherd"**

Anthem: Christ, we do all adore you

*Théodore Dubois*

## **We Respond in Faith and Service**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

L: Lord, in your mercy

**P: Hear our prayer**

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

\*Hymn: **I heard the voice of Jesus say** # 671

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude



**Please note:** *No photos or filming permitted without the express permission of the participants involved. Thank you.*



**Prayer Partnership** - We give thanks for the growing diversity within congregations and the denomination that enriches us and helps us reflect the intercultural family of God.



**Stewardship Moment:** Everything is a gift. The degree to which we are awake to this truth is a measure of our gratefulness, and gratefulness is a measure of our aliveness.  
*David Steindl-Rast*



**Welcome Visitors!** - Thank you for worshipping with us today, at Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church. You have enriched our community and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. Please feel free to remain after the worship service and join us in Fleck Hall for refreshments. You may wish to visit us on the web at [www.elmwoodchurch.ca](http://www.elmwoodchurch.ca) to learn more about us and what opportunities are available for personal spiritual growth and service to others. If you are not an involved member of a faith community, but seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday for worship and fellowship.

**If you would like to speak to the minister**, or have him visit, you are very welcome to be in touch with him. Please contact the church office 519-438-3492 or email [afullerton@elmwoodchurch.ca](mailto:afullerton@elmwoodchurch.ca)

**This morning leading our worship service, we welcome back and thank Rev. Herb Hilder.** Rev. Herb comes from Welland, Ontario. He holds academic degrees from Brock, the University of Western Ontario, and Knox College (University of Toronto), and a Certificate in Spiritual Formation from Columbia University in Decatur, Georgia

Beginning in 1980, he served congregations in Guelph, Sackville and Port Elgin New Brunswick, Chilliwack and Prince George, British Columbia. Rev. Herb stepped away from full time active parish ministry in December 2019. He and his wife Katharine (also an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church in Canada) moved to London in 2022. They have two adult daughters - Ruth and Jane and a delightful 9 month old granddaughter, Nora.



*Acknowledgement and thanks for today's organist, Lorraine Clark!*



## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

**RUMMAGE SALE - May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** - Once again it is time to start spring cleaning. Please donate any clothes, home décor, housewares, sports equipment, books, music, jewelry, toys, electronics, craft supplies, tools, small furniture, etc. to Elmwood. Plants are also welcomed. **Please make sure all items are clean and in working order.** Items will be accepted Thurs, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 am to 12 pm and Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9 am to 5 pm. If you need to bring in items earlier please talk to Joan Walsh or Pam Barfett. **Volunteers are needed Friday from 9 to 5 and Saturday from 8:45 to 12.** There is a sign-up sheet in the servery.

**JOIN US for an enlightening six part lecture series on Religion and Science**, delivered by Dr. Herb Gruning on significant philosophers who influenced the age of reason and the advent of the atomic era. We will meet on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** in the Campbell room commencing **April 29 and running to May 28.** Contact *Malcolm McLean*

**Memories of Elmwood** – You are invited to write a short paragraph of a memory (or memories) you have of your time at Elmwood Presbyterian Church in celebration of our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Please submit to Marjorie Howell (Fleck Hall mailbox E15) or the church office. **April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.**