

Dates To Remember

August	Re: Holy Communion - Paused for August. Resumes Sept.8
	Re: Silent Prayer – Paused for August. Will resume in Sept.
	Re: Dew Drop In – Paused for the summer. Resumes Sept. 11
Sept. 2	Labour Day – church office closed
5	Choir rehearsals resume – 7:00 p.m.
8	Holy Communion
22	Anniversary Committee meeting following worship (Campbell Rm)

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

Fall Bazaar – Canning this summer? Would you please remember our Bazaar and make a few extra jars? It would be greatly appreciated! Jars are available, but small jars are needed. Contact Karen in the church office. Also, please remember to work on your knitting and crafts. Thank you!



For the month of August, your Mission Committee would like to collect the following items for the Southdale Chaplaincy: Food (cereal, rice, snacks, non-perishables), Diapers, Personal Hygiene Products (deodorant, dental products, feminine hygiene products, etc.). Clothing for children and adults (socks, underwear, gently used or new clothing). Sunscreen, at least 30 SPF or higher.

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!



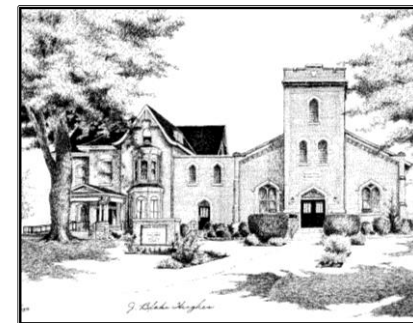
In Malawi, the Mabiri Community Day Secondary School's Sexual Reproductive Health Club is a component of the Every Girl Empowered Project, which is supported by PWS&D. One of the issues discussed by club members is school dropout rates among their peers. One of the reasons for this is the inability to pay school fees. Determined to make a difference, club members identified a peer, Wezzie, aged 16, struggling financially. To help her, they organized an open house event, inviting supporters to hear Wezzie's story and learn about the importance of financial support for marginalized pupils. Through their advocacy efforts, the club secured pledges to cover Wezzie's school fees, enabling her to take and pass her examinations successfully. The club was pleased knowing they successfully advocated to help improve Wezzie's future.



Prayer Partnership - Recognizing the violent history of colonization faced by people of African descent, we seek the Spirit's wisdom to end ongoing anti Black racism.



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Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton
Today's Worship Leader: Rev. Herb Hilder
Music Director: Bonnie Neaves
Today's Music Director: Paul Merritt
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.*

Organ Prelude: Selected Organ Sonata Movements
Prelude in G+

F. Mendelssohn
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Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

*Hymn: **Morning has broken**

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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: **In Christ there is no east or west**

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Solo: O Rest in the Lord from 'Elijah'

F. Mendelssohn

Mezzo Soprano: Hillary Tufford

Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Lesson: **Ruth 1:11-18**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **96**

***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.

Epistle Lesson: **Acts 8:28-40**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Gospel Lesson: **St. Mark 1:16-20**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **I have decided to follow Jesus**

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Sermon: **Get up and go...**

Solo: Acquaint Now Thyself With Him

M. Head

Mezzo Soprano: Hillary Tufford

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: **Thy kingdom come – on bended knee**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Sonata II, Mvt. 3

F. Mendelssohn



Stewardship Moment: It's not what you take when you leave this world behind you. It's what you leave behind you when you go.

Randy Travis, musician

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



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 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



Thank you this morning to Paul Merritt for leading the music portion of our worship service and soloist, Hillary Tufford for sharing her musical talents with us.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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.

Vacation: Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton will be away July 29 through September 2. **Pastoral Emergencies:** contact Rev. Keith McKee at St. George's Presbyterian (ph: 519-455-5760, email: stgeorge@execulink.com). Or, contact your Elder. Thank you.

Senior Choir – will start rehearsing on Thursday, September 5th (7:00 p.m.). We will certainly welcome new members in every section. If you are interested in singing and great fellowship, please contact our Music Director, Bonnie Neaves (519-685-6324). Being able to read music is helpful, but not essential.

Planting Seeds of Hope. 2025 Presbyterian Church wall calendars are now available. Cost \$6. Please place your order with Ann Fitchett.

Small Jars Needed – Please leave small jars only in the servery. Thank you!