



Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for joining us today for this special worship service at Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church. You have enriched our community and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. 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.

OUR PURPOSE

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.

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Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church was founded in 1925 to continue the tradition of the Presbyterian Church in Canada when Knox Presbyterian Church voted to enter Church Union. This may be the first post-union congregation to have erected a building. Our Sanctuary was dedicated on July 19, 1926. We draw your attention to our windows designed by Christopher Wallis, and our organ, built by Gabriel Kney, both of London. The congregation has been ministered to by outstanding spiritual leaders, Dr. Frederick W. Gilmour, Dr. John Fleck, Dr. D. Glenn Campbell, Rev. Rod Ferguson, Rev. Karen Timbers and Rev. Kevin Steeper.

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## **ELMWOOD AVENUE**

## **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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### **Lessons and Carols**

C H R I S T M A S • E V E





## *For to us a child is born, to us a son is given*

*Isaiah 9:6*

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: Piano Carol Arrangements  
Gill Laidlaw

Words of Welcome and Announcements

\*Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit Solo: Gesu Bambino  
Soloist: Kathy Pearson

Yon

\*Hymn of Praise: **Once in royal David's city**

# 166

Bidding Prayer

Lesson: **Isaiah 11:1-9** (pgs. 745-r, 558-w, 673-NRSV)  
(Reader: Elaine Allen)

Carol: Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light J. S. Bach

Lesson: **St. Luke 1:26-38** (pgs. 1098-r, 991-w, 831-NRSV)  
(Reader: Steve O'Neil)

Carol: Nativity Carol Rutter

Lesson: **St. Luke 2:1-7** (pgs. 1099-r, 992-w, 832-NRSV)  
(Reader: Marjorie Howell)

Solo: O Holy Night Adam  
Soloist: Alistair McGhee

Carol: Torches Joubert

Lesson: **St. Luke 2:8-16** (pgs. 1100-r, 992-w, 833-NRSV)  
(Reader: Alistair McGhee)

Carol: The Shepherds' Farewell

Berlioz

\*Hymn of Praise: **While shepherds watched**

# 138

Lesson: **St. Matthew 2:1-12** (pgs. 1036-r, 934-w, 783-NRSV)  
(Reader: Don Clark)

Solo: O Little Town of Bethlehem  
Soloist: Steve O'Neil

Van der Hoek

Lesson: **St. John 1:1-14** (pgs. 1137-r, 1027-w, 862-NRSV)  
(Reader: Andrew Fullerton)

Carol: Midwinter

Chilcott

\*Hymn: **O come all ye faithful**

# 159

\*Benediction

\*Hymn of Praise: **Silent night**

# 154

Organ Postlude: Toccata in F

Widor

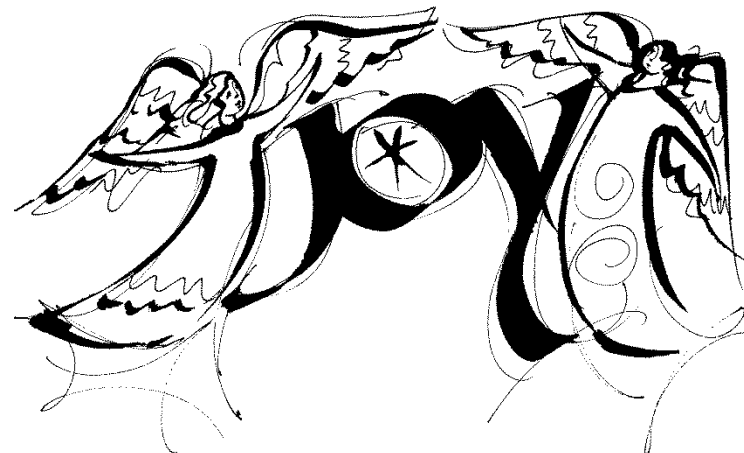
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Thank you to Trudy and Bert Van der Hoek for organizing this this evening's worship service and to the soloists and choir for their beautiful performances.



Presbyterian Prayer Partnership – Christ was born as one of us and , in him, God shows us how much the world is loved. We pray that Go's love blesses and fills the world.



*Sharing with you the Glory, the Wonder, the
Miracle of this Holy Season. Have a Blessed
Christmas and New Year!*