

Dates To Remember

	Wednesdays – <i>Dew Drop In</i> 10am–12pm coffee & fellowship
Feb. 9	Session 11 a.m. (Campbell Room)
11	Holy Communion
	Annual Meeting and lunch following the worship service
14	Ash Wednesday
18	1 st Sunday in Lent
	Food Bank Sunday
19	Family Day – Church office is closed

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

Other Events

Choral Connection presents *Mozart Mass in C Minor* with orchestra and guest soloists on **Friday, March 29th at 7:30 p.m.** at Knox Presbyterian Church, (55 Hincks St., St. Thomas). Purchase tickets online at www.choralconnection.ca. For more details, see poster on bulletin board across from church office.

 **Looking for an opportunity to make a difference? We need your help** to make sure that Business Case #63-Silver Creek Ecological Enhancement remains in the City of London's budget and even better the Mayor's budget. For more information, please check out the bulletin board outside the church office or go to www.facebook.com/friendsofthecoves

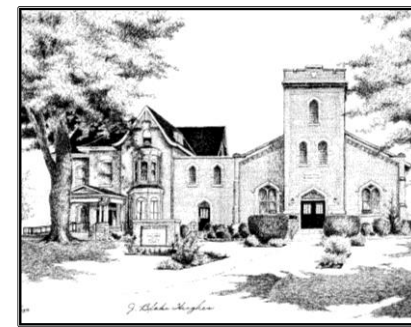


 For decades, Presbyterian World Service & Development has faithfully dedicated itself to serving those in need across the globe. In collaboration with our valued partners, PWS&D is actively contributing to positive transformation within our global community. From responding to emergencies to helping families and communities access nutritious food, clean water, adequate health care and quality education, PWS&D is helping people thrive. As people of faith, we respond to Christ's call to walk with the distressed and marginalized, work towards equality, the restoration of human dignity, peace, and care for God's creation. Together, we are working towards a sustainable, compassionate and just world.

 **PCC Daily Prayer** – We give thanks for congregations learning about Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) and responding generously to bring about abundant life for all.



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Fifth
Sunday after
the Epiphany

February 4, 2024

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton
Music Director: Bonnie Neaves
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: Rhosymedre (or "Lovely")

arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams & Murray Bradshaw

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

*Hymn: **Holy, holy, holy**

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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: **There is a balm in Gilead**

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Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Isaiah 40:21-31** (pgs. 776-r, 701-w, 582-NRSV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **147**

***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.*

1 Corinthians 9:16-23 (pgs. 1229-r, 1111-w, 931-NRSV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

St. Mark 1:29-39 (pgs. 1074-r, 969-w, 813-NRSV)

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **Speak, Lord, in the stillness**

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Sermon

Anthem: Sing Unto God

Gordon Young

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: **Come, children, join to sing**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: A Tune for a Tuba

C.S. Lang

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



**Stewardship Moment:** Money never stays with me. It would burn me if it did. I throw it out of my hands as soon as possible, lest it should find its way into my heart.

*John Wesley – English cleric, theologian, and evangelist*



**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)

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***Celebrate Elmwood* Congregational Annual Meeting** will take place on **February 11th** following the worship service with a lunch hosted by Session. A goodwill offering will be collected to “*Close the Gap*” for the General Budget. Please plan to attend.

Today, Ann Fitchett will be distributing hard copies of the 2023 Annual Report during Coffee Hour in Fleck Hall. The electronic version was emailed to members and adherents on February 1, 2024. If you did not receive a hard or electronic copy, please contact the church office. Please remember to bring the report with you next week (Feb. 11) for reference, for the Annual Meeting. Thank you!

Nature Garden Design- Session is considering a new design for the Nature Garden on the front lawn. Please review the design concepts in Fleck Hall and share your feedback.



For the month of February, please consider donating the following items, either new or gently used: facecloths, hand towels, facial tissue, laundry detergent - preferably pods.

This collection will be available to our diners at our March 2024 Community Breakfast. 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.

February 18 is Food Bank Sunday - If you would keep in mind that we are in need of some of the following items, it would be very much appreciated.

- canned meats and fish
- cereal
- protein bars/cereal bars
- peanut butter
- fruit juices
- coffee
- fruit cups/lunch snacks
- heat & serve soups & pastas
- laundry & hand soaps
- toothpaste & deodorant,
- items that do not require a can opener or cooking

Please leave your donations in the basket in the Narthex. Thank you!