Dates To Remember

Wednesdays, Dew Drop In - 10 a.m. to noon (Fleck Hall)	
Thursdays, Ladies Bible Study - 10 a.m. (Campbell Room)	
Feb. 13	Session 11 a.m. (Campbell Room)
15	***Celebrate Elmwood !*** – Annual Meeting following worship
16	Family Day – church office closed
18	Ash Wednesday

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

MISSION

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. These items will be donated to My Sister's Place.

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.

PWS&D **Lean Season Emergency Response in Malawi -** Malawi's southern region is currently among the most food-insecure areas in the country. This is mainly due to climate change impacts, including unpredictable and poor rainfall, prolonged dry spells and other climatic shocks such as cyclones. Those most severely affected are coping by eating less nutritious foods, skipping meals, engaging in piecework and selling household assets.

PWS&D's local partner, Churches Action in Relief and Development, has launched an emergency food response. Between January and March 2026, the most marginalized and food-insecure households will receive monthly cash transfers. The project will especially target female-headed, child-headed and elderly-headed households; households caring for orphans; those with chronically ill members; and households headed by persons with disabilities.

The project will also incorporate a gender empowerment component to ensure that a greater proportion of women directly benefit. Training on gender-based violence and its prevention will aim to make men, women, boys and girls aware of their rights and what constitutes abuse.

This assistance will help relieve families for the next two months; however, the need remains great due to ongoing climatic shocks and persistent food insecurity. *Stephanie Chunoo, PCC Communications Assistant*

Prayer Partnership - In a world that often fears or rejects differences, may we embrace and celebrate the unique gifts in one another.

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ELMWOOD AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Community Caring Christ

February 8, 2026

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton
Music Director: Bonnie Neaves
Today's Organist: Kelsey Lenti
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: Praeludium in e minor *J.S. Bach*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

*Hymn: **Ye gates, lift up your heads** **# 13**

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: **Unto the hills around** **# 81**

Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament: **Isaiah 58:1-9a**
L: This is the Word of the Lord
P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **112**

***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: **1 Corinthians 2:1-12**
L: This is the Word of the Lord
P: Thanks be to God

Gospel Lesson: **St. Matthew 5:13-20**
L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,
P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life** **# 565**

Sermon

Choir Anthem: Communion Hymn *David Kellermeyer*

We Respond in Faith and Service

*The Apostles' Creed (see front cover of the Book of Praise)

Prayers of Intercession
L: Lord, in your mercy
P: Hear our prayer

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving # 564

Sanctus, Mystery of Faith (sung, see back cover of the Book of Praise)

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

Breaking of the Bread & Elevation of the Cup

Lamb of God (sung, see back cover of the Book of Praise)

Distribution of the Elements

Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn: **Lord of all power** **# 626**

*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Mvt II, Lively from "Fugue for the Organ" *Benjamin Cooke*

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

Stewardship Moment: Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. *1 Peter 4:10*

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Sacrament of Holy Communion - Please sign in. All those baptized into Christ's Church are invited to the Lord's Table. We ask that you sign the attendance cards located in the pews. Session relies on these cards to maintain accurate records. Thank you. **Communion Wine**: Wine is available in the inner rings of the trays. Grape juice is the outer ring.

2025 Annual Report – Ann Fitchett will be handing out hard copies during Coffee Hour in Fleck Hall. The electronic version was emailed to members and adherents on February 3rd. If you did not receive a hard or electronic copy, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Celebrate Elmwood **Congregational Annual Meeting** will take place on **February 15th** following the worship service with a lunch hosted by Session. A goodwill offering will be collected for the General Budget. Please plan to attend.

Elmwood Ladies Bible Study - Thursdays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. A 9 week ladies bible study. Our topic is Jesus our Joy. Paul will show us how to live joyfully in all situations as we study his letter to the Philippians. For information and registration contact Jackie Schmidt (519-933-1229) call/text) or email jackie.schmidt@sympatico.ca

Next Sunday, February 15 is Food Bank Sunday – The need is great. Donations are very much appreciated! Donation basket located in the Narthex. Thank you!