

January	Wednesdays – <i>Dew Drop In</i> 10am–12pm coffee & fellowship
21	Food Bank Sunday
Feb. 11	Holy Communion
14	Ash Wednesday
18	1 st Sunday in Lent
19	Family Day – Church office is closed

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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.



Stewardship Moment – Faith itself grows when we give generously and sacrificially.



Make a Donation and support PWS&D's life-changing work. Mark your offering envelope donation, PWS&D. Thank you!

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Second
Sunday after
the Epiphany

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: Angel's Story; Quem Pastores; Christe, Redemptor omnium
arr. Healey Willan

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

***Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say**

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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: **Lord, speak to me**

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Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **1 Samuel 3:1-10** (pgs. 288-r, 263-w, 215-NRSV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **139:1-18**

***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.

Amen.

1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (pgs. 1226-r, 1108-w, 929-NRSV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

St. John 1:43-51 (pgs. 1138-r, 1028-w, 863-NRSV)

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **Jesus calls us here to meet him**

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Sermon

Anthem: Bread of the World

Alan Bullard

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

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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

Communion Music: Benedictus

Eric Thiman

Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn: **Love divine, all loves excelling**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude: A Festal Fanfare

Bach/Thompson

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**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 fellowship and Coffee Hour. 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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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.

2023 Annual Report written and financial forms are due today, Jan. 14th.

The forms were emailed to the group and committee leaders. If you require hard copies of these forms, please contact Karen in the church office. If you are not the person responsible for the completion of these forms, please ensure they are directed and received by the appropriate person. Thank you!

Next Sunday, January 21 is Food Bank Sunday – The need is great so, if you would keep in mind that we are in need of following items for our food cupboard it would be appreciated.

• **coffee** • **juice boxes** • **cereal & cereal bars** • **canned meats & fish**
• **heat & serve soups & pastas** • **peanut butter** • **toiletries**

Leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex. Thank you!

Pop Can Tabs – Please continue to save pop can tabs. The current project is a wheelchair for McKenna Graham-Laskey. McKenna is a two and a half year old little girl who lives in London. McKenna has Cerebral Palsy. Known by her nickname "SMILEY", requires a special new wheelchair, which will enable her to get to her appointments. So save your aluminum tabs and help "SMILEY" acquire a new, wheel chair! Your tabs can be dropped off in the Narthex or at the church office during office hours. Thank you!