

## Dates To Remember

<b>Wednesdays</b> , Dew Drop In – 10 a.m. to noon (Fleck Hall)	
<b>Jan. 29</b>	Ladies Bible Study – 10 a.m. (Campbell Room)
<b>Feb. 8</b>	Holy Communion
<b>13</b>	Session 11 a.m. (Campbell Room)
<b>15</b>	<b>Celebrate Elmwood!</b> – Annual Meeting following worship
<b>16</b>	Family Day – church office closed
<b>18</b>	Ash Wednesday

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

 Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg, MB, led by the Rev. Margaret Mullin and the dedicated clerk and Session, continues to grow in numbers despite the many losses experienced by those attending and connected to this special congregation. Meeting each Sunday afternoon in the hall at St. John's Presbyterian Church, this congregation boasts a very large number of children, and the room is filled with music, caring and joy each week. Supported by Presbyterians Sharing, as are all eight of the NIMC (National Indigenous Ministry Council) ministries, the connections this ministry has made with its membership provide, as the name suggests, a place of hope and true belonging for its membership.

To support Presbyterians Sharing, please mark the second line your offering envelopes, GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUDGET (Presbyterian Sharing). Thank you!

 Friends of the Coves 2026 memberships renewal are now due. Please use CanadaHelps.org website to purchase your yearly membership and you can also make donations to Friends of the Coves. We encourage you to use Canada Helps as it is the simplest way for us to process your memberships and donations with us. Membership fees are NOT tax deductible but your donations are. We will email you a membership card.

[www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/friends-of-the-coves-subwatershed-inc/](http://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/friends-of-the-coves-subwatershed-inc/)

We are encouraging our members to also commit to a modest monthly donation to the Friends of the Coves to help us with operational expenses. Your support for Friends of the Coves is very much appreciated.

FOTCSI is a registered charity and that official receipts for your donations and will be made available from Canadahelps.org for donations in excess of \$25.00.

[www.thecoves.ca](http://www.thecoves.ca)

**Office Hours:** 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Monday – Thursday

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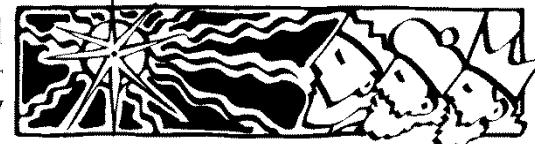
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Third  
Sunday after  
the Epiphany



**January 25, 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.*

Organ Prelude: Reflections from a Stained Glass Window *John M. Rasley*  
Words of Welcome and Announcements

## We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Call to Worship

\*Introit: Holy, Holy, Holy (sung by congregation) # 299

\*Hymn: **Arise, your light is come** # 712

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: **Jesus calls us o'er the tumult**

Solo: Peace of God

Soloist: Steve O'Neil

# 672

Eugene Butler

## Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament: **Isaiah 9:1-4**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Responsive Psalm: 27

**\*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 1:10-18**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Lesson: **St. Matthew 4:12-23**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

**P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

\*Hymn: **Dear Father, Lord of humankind**

# 451

Sermon

Choir Anthem: Come to Me

Carmen Scialla

## 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: **God of grace and God of glory**

# 490

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: The Call to Victory

David Paxton

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



**Stewardship Moment:** For if eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has – not according to what ones does not have.

*2 Corinthians 8:12*



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)



**Prayer Partnership** – God of peace, protect all who suffer persecution and hate because of their faith. Unite us across traditions to stand for dignity and love.

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## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

### **Elmwood Ladies Bible Study - Thursday, January 29, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

will be the start of 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](mailto:jackie.schmidt@sympatico.ca)

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

**2025 Annual Report** –Would you like to receive the annual report electronically (instead of a hard copy)? Does the church office have your current email address? Add your name and email address to the list located in the Narthex. Thank you!



For the months of January and 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.

**Give a gift with meaning!** - The **2025-26 Gifts of Change** - catalogue supports marginalized communities across Canada and around the world. Not only is giving a gift from this catalogue unique, but you can be sure your gifts will be used to carry out life-changing programs that are responding to the needs of people affected by poverty, hunger, natural disasters and conflict. Catalogues available in the Narthex and church office.