#### **Dates To Remember**

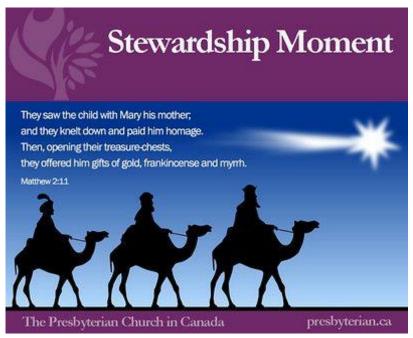
Jan.	9	Bible Study resumes – 10:30 a.m. (Campbell Room)
	12	Baptism Sunday & Holy Communion
		2019 Annual Report forms are due – or earlier please
	14	Dream Group – 4:00 p.m. (Campbell Room)
	15	Session – 7:30 p.m. (Fleck Hall)

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

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**Presbyterian Prayer Partnership** – As a new year begins, pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) programs helping vulnerable people plan for futures that are abundant in the blessings of Christ.



### **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.

Information concerning the various groups within the congregation may be obtained by calling the church office – 519-438-3492

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Monday - Friday

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# Sunday, January 5, 2020





Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton Director of Music: Lorraine Clark, A. Mus., B.Mus., B.Ed. Organist Emeritus: Bert Van der Hoek, ARCCO

If able, please stand where indicated with an \* asterisk.

Organ Prelude: Noel Suisse

O Morning Star

L. Daquin Franklin Ritter

Words of Welcome and Announcements

## We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Congregational Introit: Holy, holy, holy (verse 1)

# 299

\*Call to Worship:

\*Hymn: What star is this

# 170

Prayer of Adoration and Confession
M: Lord, have mercy upon us
P: Christ, have mercy upon us
M: Lord, have mercy upon us

Prayer for the Day

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

M: The Peace of Christ be with you all

P: And also with you

Children's Time

\*Hymn: What child is this

# 161

## **Hear the Word of God**

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 (pgs. 800-r, 723-w, 602-NRSV)

Responsive Psalm: 72 (Refrain I)

#### \*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.



Scripture Readings: **Ephesians 3:1-12** (pgs. 1254-r, 1134-w, 950-NRSV) Matthew 2:1-12 (pgs. 1036-r. 934-w. 783-NRSV)

M: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord, P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Sermon

# We Respond in Faith and Service

\*Hymn: Songs of thankfulness and praise # 176

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

M: Lord, in your mercy P: Hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

Offering of our Gifts in Response

Organ Offertory: Angels We Have Heard on High Wilbur Held

\*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow # 79

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: As with gladness men of old # 172

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen (congregation)

Michael Bedford Organ Postlude: Gloria

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The flowers in the sanctuary this morning have been placed by Carol Rayner to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Barry Rayner.



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 for Coffee Hour and fellowship in Fleck Hall. 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.

**Listen Again:** You can hear recordings of the latest sermons on our website. Visit www.elmwoodchurch.ca/media

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Play Area** for children aged 0-7 yrs. during the worship service. An usher can direct you there. Please make the necessary arrangements for your children's supervision. Thank you.

Poinsettia Orders – Please remember to pick yours up after the service this Thank you from your Work & Worship Committee mornina.

Elmwood Ladies Fellowship - No meetings in January & February, but will resume March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Bible Study – will resume January 9, 2020. All welcome.

**Annual Report** time is fast approaching. The 2019 written and financial forms are in your committees' mailbox. Completion date is January 12, 2020....or earlier please!

January & February – For our Hospitality Breakfast February 29<sup>th</sup>, we are collecting hand towels, face cloths, Kleenex, laundry detergent (liquid or pods). Your mission committee

January 19 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. Thank you!

· coffee/tea

powdered milk

peanut butter

- fruit iuices
- paper products i.e. bathroom tissue
   laundry soaps
- Items that do not require a can opener or cooking

Please leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex.

The PCC is looking for photos that celebrate the beauty and majesty of God's creation for the 2021 wall calendar. - We're looking for highresolution photos of what celebrating creation looks like for Presbyterians across the country. This could include stunning images of landscapes, nature, caring for creation initiatives at your church—be creative and have fun! Deadline: March 13, 2020