

Dates To Remember

Mondays	Prayer Meeting - break for July & August. Will resume Sept. 14
Wednesdays	Dew Drop In - break for July & August. Will resume Sept. 9
Silent Prayer	– break for July & August. Will resume in Sept.
Aug. 3	Civic Holiday – church office closed
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NOTE: Some of these dates and times are subject to change.



For the months of July and August, your Mission Committee would like to collect the following items for the Limberlost Chaplaincy:

- Food (cereal, rice, snacks, non-perishables), • diapers, personal hygiene products (deodorant, dental products, feminine hygiene products, etc.).
- Clothing for children and adults (socks, underwear, gently used or new clothing).
- Sunscreen, at least 30 SPF or higher.

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 from the Mission Committee.*



Venezuela Earthquake Response - On June 24, 2026, two powerful earthquakes struck north-central Venezuela.

Strong shaking was felt across the country, as well as in neighboring Colombia and parts of the Caribbean. The Government of Venezuela has declared a State of Emergency.

The situation remains fluid, with ongoing aftershocks increasing risks to affected populations and complicating response efforts. Residential and commercial buildings have collapsed, along with considerable damage to critical infrastructure including roads and public facilities. There are severe disruptions to electricity and telecommunications across the country.

Reports indicate that the number of fatalities and those in need is expected to rise, especially as many heavily affected areas remain difficult to access.

Donations are urgently needed. PWS&D is able to respond through the ACT Alliance, which has members operational in Venezuela. Immediate needs assessments are taking place with plans to respond as soon as possible.

Please mark your donation "PWS&D Venezuela earthquake response."

Thank you!

Stephanie Chunoo, PWS&D Communications Assistant



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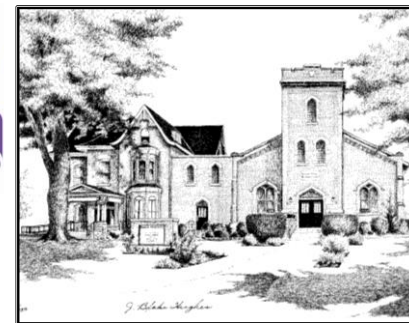
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**Community
Caring
Christ**



Waiting for
the Harvest
Sunday



July 19, 2026

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: Voluntaries for worship

Keeble, Battishill and Camidge

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

*Hymn: **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

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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: **The Spirit breathes upon the Word**

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Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Genesis 28:10-19a**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **139:1-12**

***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: **Romans 8:12-25**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Gospel Lesson: **St. Matthew 13:24-30**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **O God of Bethel, by whose hand**

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Sermon

Solo: This we pray

Jay Althouse

Soprano: Kathy Pearson

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: **All my hope on God is founded**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Postlude in F

Eric Thiman



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



PCC Prayer – We pray that we might offer all we have and all we are in joyful service as stewards of God's grace.



Stewardship Moment – The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.
Proverbs 22:9, NIV



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



Thank you to the choir for their contribution to our worship service every Sunday and for their dedication and commitment to our church. They will be enjoying a well-deserved break through July and August and will return again in September.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Today is Food Bank Sunday - Please leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex. Thank you!

Givings Update - Year to date, the congregation has generously given \$75,485 toward our **General Givings Budget**, putting us at 88.81% **of the pace needed** to reach our **\$170,000 annual goal**. We have also given \$3,603 toward our **Presbyterian Sharing goal**, putting us at **72.1% of the pace needed** to reach our **\$10,000 annual goal**.

Notice from your Truth and Reconciliation Committee: There will be an open air vendors' market at the Oneida Nation of the Thames community centre on **Thursday, July 30 from 2 - 7 p.m.** This is a fundraising event sponsored by the Oneida Fall Fair organizers. The **Oneida Fall Fair is scheduled for September 25 - 27**. Here are two opportunities to take "reconcili-action" by visiting our neighbours and supporting their cultural events.
Steve O'Neil

Colten and Shaelyn would like to thank our Elmwood friends for their support for our wedding fundraiser on June 27. It was a resounding success, and we are so touched and blessed to have such a supportive church. Thanks to all who donated, volunteered, and participated!

If you are canning this summer, please remember our Fall Bazaar and make a few extra jars. It would be greatly appreciated! We are running low on the small 8 oz. (255 ml) glass canning jars. Help us rebuild our stockpile. Thank you!

Please save pop can tabs over the summer. Leave them in mailbox D-10, drop them off at the church office or give them to Ann Fitchett. Thank you!