

## Dates To Remember

<b>Mondays</b> , Prayer Meeting - 1 p.m. (Campbell Room)	
<b>Note:</b> Prayer meetings will break for July & August. Will resume Sept. 14	
<b>Wednesdays</b> , Dew Drop In - 10 a.m. to noon (Fleck Hall)	
<b>Note:</b> Dew Drop In will break for July & August. Will resume Sept. 9	
<b>Silent Prayer</b> – 3 p.m. (Campbell Room)	
<b>Note:</b> Silent Prayer will break for July & August. Will resume in Sept.	
<b>June 26 through July 5</b> - Church office will be closed.	
<b>July 1</b>	Happy Canada Day!
<b>12</b>	Holy Communion

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



For the month of June, 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.*



No one chooses to be a refugee; however, today there are over 42 million refugees and many more who are internally displaced—forced to leave their homes due to conflicts or ethnic persecution. PWS&D's refugee ministry responds to Christ's call to serve and defend those who are persecuted. Churches continue to demonstrate their support by sponsoring refugee families, helping them rebuild their lives safely and with dignity. In 2025, 61 sponsored refugees arrived from 8 countries, including Iraq, Sudan, and Afghanistan. This ministry is not only about offering hope but also about living out the biblical call to love and serve others, showing Christ's love to those who are experiencing persecution and suffering.

Please donate to these efforts. Mark your offering envelopes PWS&D. Thank you!



**Stewardship Moment** – Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude.

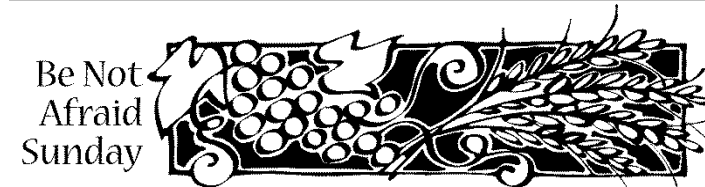
*Mary Jo Leddy, writer, speaker, theologian, social activist.*



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**Community Caring Christ**



**June 21, 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: Slane, Crusader's Hymn and Jewels

*arr. Dale Wood*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

### We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

\*Hymn: **When in our music God is glorified**

**# 439**

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: **Great is thy faithfulness**

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## Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Genesis 21:8-21**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Responsive Psalm: **86**

**\*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 6:1b-11**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Lesson: **St. Matthew 10:24-39**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

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

\*Hymn: **Fairest Lord Jesus**

# 375

Sermon

Choir Anthem: Take up your cross

*arr. Hal Hopson*

## 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: **O Master, let me walk with thee**

# 642

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Allegro Maestoso

*Flor Peeters*



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



The flower arrangement in the sanctuary this morning was created by the late Milt Walker and has been placed by Dianne Walker to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, a faithful servant of God.

***Happy Father's Day!*** - The righteous man leads a blameless life;  
blessed are his children after him.

*Proverbs 20:7*



**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)



**PCC Prayer – Sunday, June 21 (National Indigenous Peoples Day)** We give thanks for opportunities on National Indigenous Peoples Day to listen and learn from Indigenous youth, adults and Elders who are working for the wellbeing of Indigenous peoples.



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Today, you are invited to mark National Indigenous Peoples Day** by enjoying a cold plate luncheon after the worship service hosted by the Truth and Reconciliation Committee. We will be screening an episode of the CBC series Still Standing which is all about our neighbours at the Oneida Nation of the Thames. An open discussion will follow. Donations will be accepted in support of the re-housing initiatives at Oneida through the Imagine Build. *Steve O'Neil, Truth & Reconciliation Committee*

**Today is Food Bank Sunday** – The need is great. Donations are very much appreciated! Donation basket located in the Narthex. Thank you!

**Givings Update** - Year to date, the congregation has generously given **\$65,653** toward our **General Givings Budget**, putting us at **92.7% of the pace needed** to reach our **\$170,000 annual goal**. We have also given **\$3,014** toward our **Presbyterian Sharing goal**, putting us at **72.3% of the pace needed** to reach our **\$10,000 annual goal**.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS** – Karen Russo, Office Administrator will be on vacation June 26 through July 5. The church office will be closed. Messages will be picked up daily. **Pastoral Care: Dr. Fullerton at 519-266-9123 or contact your Elder**. Office will re-open Monday, June 22.

**You are invited to a wedding fundraiser for Colten and Shaelyn, to be held in Fleck Hall on Saturday, June 27 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.!** There will be art, baked goods, books, games, and a silent auction. If you would like to contribute or assist in any way, please contact the couple at [coltenandshaelyn@gmail.com](mailto:coltenandshaelyn@gmail.com) or call 613-299-4835 and we will make arrangements. Thank you for your kind support!