


## Dates To Remember

<b>Mondays</b> , Prayer Meeting - break for July & August. Will resume Sept. 14	
<b>Wednesdays</b> , Dew Drop In - break for July & August. Will resume Sept. 9	
<b>Silent Prayer</b> – 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.



 **From Setback to State Rank: Dipmala's Story** – Everyone has dreams — for themselves, for their families, for a better future. But sometimes, circumstances beyond our control interrupt those dreams. Twenty-year-old Dipmala Kumari knows all too well how quickly difficult situations can place those dreams on hold.

Hailing from a humble family in Bihar, India, with two sisters and two brothers, where financial challenges often overshadowed dreams, Dipmala was forced to drop out of further studies because her family simply could not afford it and in the eyes of the community, educating a girl was seen as a burden with little return. Her future seemed uncertain.

Her life took a turn when PWS&D supported the Karuna Project, which recognized Dipmala's potential. The team encouraged her to restart her education and helped her enroll in a Bachelor of Arts course. She had always dreamed of joining the Bihar Police, and when recruitment was announced, the project guided her through the application process and ensured she was well prepared for the exam. She secured the 14th highest rank in the entire state.

Dipmala's mother and father are extremely proud of her accomplishments. They remark, *"If Karuna had not come into our lives, what Dipmala is today would never have been achieved."*

Her father, now proudly shares, *"She is a treasure. Today, she is the one supporting our family."*

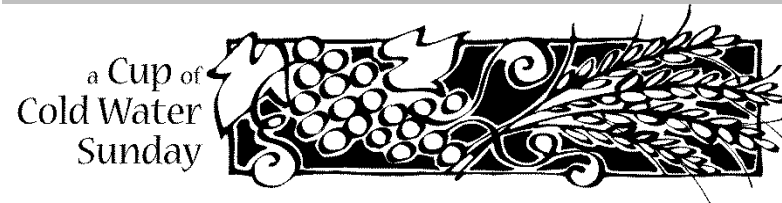
Dipmala herself stands boldly in her new identity, filled with purpose. *"Now that I am a police officer, I will do my best to fight corruption. Karuna supported the education of girls like me, which helped me reach this position. I will now support the education of two girls on my own, so that I can give back what I have received."*

Stephanie Chunoo, PWS&D Communications Assistant

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



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**June 28, 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: Arioso, Orison and Prayer

*Douglas Wagner*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

### **We Gather To Worship God**

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

\*Hymn: **Light of the minds that know him**

**# 355**

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: **Take my life, and let it be consecrated**

**# 637**

Solo: Here is love

Townend

Tenor: Steve O'Neil

### Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Genesis 22:1-14**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Responsive Psalm: **13**

**\*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 6:12-23**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Lesson: **St. Matthew 10:40-42**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

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

\*Hymn: **How long will you forget me, Lord**

**# 6**

Sermon

Choir Anthem: Hear my words

Stephen Paulus

### 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: **Where cross the crowded ways of life**

**# 760**

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Postludium

Flor Peeters



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



**Stewardship Moment** – Stewardship is not something we can put on or take off as the seasons change. Stewardship, like faith, must be woven into the fabric of our lives.

*Gregory Coulter, professor of philosophy*



**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)



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.



**PCC Prayer** – Celebrating Canada Day, we pray that this land will be a just, equitable and welcoming country and that all those who form and keep our laws will carry out their responsibilities with wisdom, courage and mercy.



### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Twelve new books have been installed in the Christian Resource Centre.** Many of them are on display atop the card catalogue drawers. The Resource Centre can be found to the left of the sanctuary, as approached from the street. Sign all books out at the desk. Happy reading!

**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!

**Vacation** - Karen Russo, Church Administrator will be on vacation **June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 5<sup>th</sup>**. The church office will be closed, but voice mail messages will be retrieved and responded to if you wish to leave a message. The office will re-open Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup>.



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.*