

## Dates To Remember

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| Mar. | 3  | Elmwood Ladies Fellowship meeting – 2:00 p.m. (Fleck Hall)                             |
|      | 7  | Centering Prayer Workshop 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. - All welcome!                         |
|      | 8  | Choral Communion – written by Bert Van der Hoek, ARCCO<br><i>Mass for St. Andrew's</i> |
|      | 10 | Dream Group – 4:00 p.m. (Campbell Room)                                                |
|      | 11 | Session – 7:30 p.m. (Fleck Hall)                                                       |
|      | 15 | Food Bank Sunday                                                                       |

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

## OTHER EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**Rabbi Laura Duhan Kaplan – *The Future of Religion in North America***  
**Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** Joanne & Peter Kenny Theatre (266 Epworth Ave.). This lecture and panel discussion will explore the use, misuse, and future of religious thought in North America through the lens of the three Abrahamic religions. See poster on bulletin board across from the church office for more information.

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**The Season of Lent** is a time of prayer, fasting and self-examination in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of the Lord at Easter. It is a period of 40 days — like the flood of Genesis, Moses' sojourn at Mount Sinai, Elijah's journey to Mount Horeb, Jonah's call to Ninevah to repent and Jesus' time of testing in the wilderness. (The Sundays in Lent are not counted in this reckoning of the time between Ash Wednesday and Easter, as every Lord's Day is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.)

In the early church, Lent was a time of preparation for the celebration of baptism at the Easter Vigil. In many communities of faith it remains a time to equip and nurture candidates for baptism and confirmation and to reflect deeply on the theme of baptismal discipleship.

2020 Presbyterian Mission Agency



**Presbyterian Prayer Partnership** – Give thanks for the dedication of the staff and volunteers of food banks, women's shelters, breakfast and lunch programs, and other local outreach projects.

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## 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

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**Sunday, March 1, 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: Choral sur "O filii et filiae"  
 Soliloquy

*Denis Bédard  
 Healey Willan*

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: **Throughout these Lenten days and nights** # 196

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: **Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us**

# 647

Choir Anthem: Lenten Prayer

*G.B. Pergolesi*

## Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7** (pgs. 3-r, 2-w, 2-NRSV)

Responsive Psalm: **32** (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.*

**Glory Be To The Father**

Bert Van der Hoek



Scripture Readings:

**Romans 5:12-19** (pgs. 1209-r, 1094-w, 917-NRSV)

**St. Matthew 4:1-11** (pgs. 1037-r, 935-w, 785-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: **Approach, my soul, the mercy seat**

# 364

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: Elevation – from Suite No. 4

*L. Boëllman*

\*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow

# 306

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: **O love, how deep, how broad, how high**

# 205

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen (congregation)

Organ Postlude: Festival Voluntary

*Flor Peeters*

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**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](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.

## 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.



### March & April Mission Project – The Unity Project

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| •socks      | •underwear    | •razors |
| •deodorant  | •toothbrushes | •towels |
| •dishcloths | •coffee mugs  |         |

*Your Mission Committee*

**Elmwood Ladies Fellowship – meeting March 3, 2:00 p.m.** All ladies welcome. Guest speaker will be Ashlynn Aspden from V.O.N. Please remember Rotholme with toiletries.

### Centering Prayer Workshop – Saturday, March 7, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. This introductory workshop includes both instruction and group practice in the method of Centering Prayer led by the Rev. Kevin Steeper. Please bring a bag lunch. Cost is \$10.00/person. More information is posted on the bulletin board across from church office.

**Hark The Herald** - Spring Edition deadline for contributions March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please send items to church office or put in mailbox E15.

**Save the Date - Annual Dinner & Auction - Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at 5:00 p.m. The menu is sure to be delicious! Please pick up auction sheets from the office or they will be available in the Narthex. When they're completed, you can give it to either Des Perry, Dianne Walker or leave it in the office with Karen. It's so much fun and any donation for the auction will be appreciated. Mark your calendars for our fun-filled evening.

*Dianne Walker, Board of Managers*

### Holy Week Worship Services:

- † Palm Sunday – April 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.
- † Maundy Thursday Worship – April 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.
- † Good Friday Worship – April 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m. (here at Elmwood)
- † Easter Sunday Worship – April 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

