Dates To Remember

March	30	Community Breakfast - 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. (Fleck Hall)
	31	We welcome new members!
April	2	Elmwood Ladies Fellowship meeting 2 p.m. (Fleck Hall)
8	- 22	Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton will be on study leave
		Note: No Session in April. Resumes May 10 at 11:00 a.m.

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





MISSION

For the month of March, please consider donating the following items, either new or gently used: facecloths, hand towels, facial tissue, laundry detergent - preferably pods.

This collection will be available to our diners at our March 30th Community Breakfast. 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.

Zinenani Finds Hope in Malawi - In Malawi, at just 15 years old, Zinenani took over the overwhelming responsibility of caring for her younger siblings, Talandirani, aged 7, and Thomas, aged 6. Their world was devastated in 2021 by the loss of their mother, and shortly after that, their father left for Mozambique and has not been in contact since. Zinenani was left to carry the responsibilities of running their household., "I struggle to find food. We lack basic needs such as soap and clothes, and we don't have enough bedding to use," Zinenani shares.

A community-based program for orphans and vulnerable children (OVC), run by the Mulanje Mission Hospital, helps provide necessities like infant formula and therapeutic porridge to aid with malnutrition. Additionally, the program provides free medical care and essential resources for children to attend primary and secondary school. Vocational skills training is also offered to outof-school boys and girls, which provides valuable opportunities to develop skills for the future.

Zinenani and her two siblings were enrolled in the OVC program, receiving this vital health, education and livelihood support. "I thank God that Mulanje Mission Hospital recruited us in the OVC program," Zinenani expresses. "We thank the donors who are helping children who are so needy and alone."

Stephanie Chunoo, PCC Communications Assistant

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Community Caring Christ





March 24, 2024

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: Ellacombe arr. Michael Burkhard A Rondel Charles Callahan Fanfare on 'St. Theodulph' Dale Wood

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

*Hymn: All glory, laud and honour

Prayer of Adoration and Confession L: Lord, have mercy upon us

P: Christ, have mercy upon us L: Lord, have mercy upon us

Praver for the Day

P: Amen

Assurance of Pardon

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Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you all

P: And also with you

*Hymn: **Hosanna, loud hosanna** # 218

Anthem: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Eleanor Daley

Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Isaiah 50:4-9a**L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: 118:19-29

*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.

Philippians 2:5-11

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

St. Mark 11:1-11

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: Jesus, lover of my soul

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Sermon

Anthem: My song is love unknown

John Ireland

Baritone: Alistair McGhee Tenor: Steve O'Neil

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: Ride on, ride on in majesty

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Epilogue on 'St. Theodulph' Healey Willan

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

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Stewardship Moment: Stewardship is growing, developing, advancing and building the gifts with which God has blessed us.

Dr. Kennon Callahan - Pastor, educator, consultant, and writer



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



PCC Prayer - Protect us from fickleness and help us be faithful to your calling to follow you, our servant king.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THANK YOU to everyone who attended the fundraising luncheon on Sunday, March 17. Thanks to the hard work of Cathy Cornhill, Juel Howse-Maclean, and Lorraine McVeigh, a delicious lunch was enjoyed by all and a total of \$476 in donations were collected for the *Imagine Build* project to rehabilitate homes at the Oneida of the Thames community. If you were unable to attend, it is not too late to contribute. Simply mark Reconciliation Project on one of the designation lines on your offering envelope and record the amount you would like to contribute to our journey on the road to reconciliation.

On April 22 and 23, there will be an Earth Week clean-up event at Oneida of the Thames. We have been invited to participate and assist with this project. This is a great opportunity to connect with our Indigenous neighbours. Please let me know if you are interested and available to help out. More specific details will follow soon.

Steve O'Neil, Convenor, Truth and Reconciliation Committee

ELMWOOD LADIES FELLOWSHIP welcomes Aurilla Ripley as our speaker on **Tuesday**, **April 2 at 2 pm**. She works tirelessly collecting donated tabs to buy wheelchairs for needy kids. Come and hear her lively presentation. All ladies welcome!

RUMMAGE SALE – Saturday, May 11 - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Spring is here and it is time to clean out our closets, cupboards, drawers and garages. Please donate any clean, re-sellable items you no longer use to the Elmwood Rummage Sale. Items will be accepted on Friday, May 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you need to bring items in earlier, please talk to Joan Walsh. Volunteers are needed for set up and pricing on Friday, May 10 and for sales on May 11. The sign-up sheet is on the servery bulletin board. Your support is always appreciated.

Kiwanis Music Festival April 15, 17 & 19. The woodwind competition in our sanctuary. For times, check bulletin board across from church office.