

Dates To Remember

Mondays , Prayer Meeting - 1 p.m. (Campbell Room)	
Wednesdays , Dew Drop In - 10 a.m. -12 p.m. Coffee & fellowship Silent Prayer – 3 p.m. (Campbell Room)	
May 31	Congregational Meeting & Potluck Dinner 5:30 p.m. (Fleck Hall)
June 2	Elmwood Ladies Fellowship's Indoor Picnic – 1 p.m. (Fleck Hall)
14	Holy Communion
21	Truth & Reconciliation Luncheon following worship

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



For the months of May and 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.*



We are called to serve God with our many gifts. We belong to a denomination that is connected by faith, governance, history and mission. Presbyterians Sharing is one of the ways that Presbyterians across Canada work together to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, sharing God's love and hope in our communities, in Canada and around the world. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing help build strong congregations, serve vulnerable people, walk with Indigenous people, seek justice and share God's love. When we work together, we can accomplish so much more than we can on our own.

Stewardship is at the heart of the matter. Congregations are asked to give joyfully and with prayer the amount they wish to give, in response to God's gracious blessings and in the spirit of Paul in his fundraising appeal to the Corinthian church:

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

II Corinthians 9:7, 8



Stewardship Moment: In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. *1 Thessalonians 5:18*

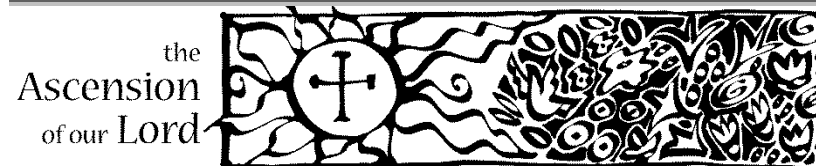
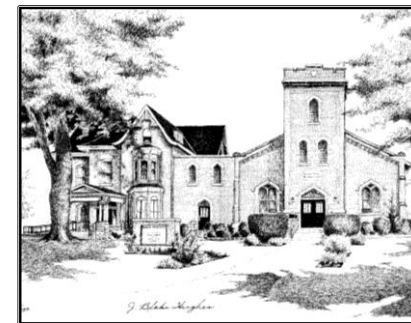


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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Community
Caring
Christ**



the
Ascension
of our Lord

May 17, 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: Trumpet Voluntary
Jesus shall reign

*J. Bennett
arr. G. Krapf*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

*Hymn: **Let all the world in every corner sing**

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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: **Jesus, our mighty Lord**

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Quartet: Who is at my window, who?

Welford Russell

Bonnie Neaves, Lorraine Clark, Don Clark and Bill Neaves

Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Acts 1:1-11**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **47**

***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: **Ephesians 1:15-23**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Gospel Lesson: **St. Luke 24:44-53**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **O matchless beauty of our God**

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Sermon

Choir Anthem: Jubilate

Mozart/Bullard

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: **Crown him with many crowns**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: With trumpets and horns

G.F. Handel

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



**PCC Prayer - Sunday, May 17 (International Day Against**

**Homophobia, Transphobia & Biphobia)** We pray for an end to all forms of hatred and discrimination that target Two-Spirit and LGBTQI+ people. We commit to working for the collective safety and flourishing of all people.



**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)



## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

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

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS** – Karen Russo, Office Administrator will be on vacation May 18 - 24. The church office will be closed. Messages will be picked up daily. **Pastoral Care: contact Dr. Fullerton at 519-266-9123.** Office will re-open Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**May 31st at 5:30 pm - Congregational meeting and a nut & shellfish free potluck dinner.** Representatives from the Presbytery of London will be conducting an exit review meeting with our congregation on Sunday May 31st. Please plan to attend to demonstrate your interest and commitment to the future of Elmwood.

*Cathy Cornhill, Clerk of Session*

**Elmwood Ladies Fellowship - Potluck on Tuesday, June 2 at 1:00 p.m.** All ladies are invited to an **Indoor Picnic Party** in Fleck Hall to help usher in the summer break. Note: oven not working, so any hot dishes must be kept warm in their containers. Please also bring your own plates and cutlery. Join us!

**Sunday, June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day.** You are invited to mark this occasion 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*

**PRAYER MEETING every Monday, 1 – 2 p.m.** meeting in the Campbell Room until the June 29. Use front house ramp to enter. Prayer requests may be sent to Sharon B. at [sharonlambeth70@yahoo.com](mailto:sharonlambeth70@yahoo.com), text or call, leave a message at 519-282-6369 or leave your requests in the box on the server window shelf in Fleck Hall. All welcome!