

Dates To Remember

May 20	Victoria Day – church office closed
21-24	Church office will be closed
June 4	Elmwood Ladies Fellowship 1:15 pm <i>Picnic Party</i> (Fleck Hall)
9	Holy Communion
14	Session 11:00 a.m. (Campbell Room)
29	Hospitality Breakfast 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

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

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – JUNE 2-6, 2024 - The General Assembly will begin with worship and communion on Sunday, June 2, 2024, at 7:00 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church in Waterloo, Ontario. All other Assembly activities will be held at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo.



PCC Prayer – Today on Pentecost Sunday we are reminded that we are one worldwide family in Christ. We give thanks for people in every generation who have spent their lives sharing the good news of Jesus with others.



A Journey to Healthy Motherhood - When Linly Chidawati from Malawi discovered she was expecting a child with her husband, she felt a mix of excitement and nervousness. She was mainly anxious about what her pregnancy journey would involve, from the early stages all the way to the delivery.

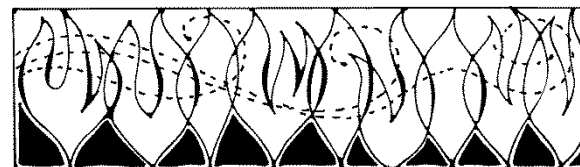
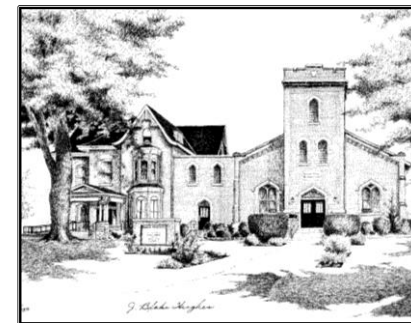
Most of Linly's worries were alleviated when she was introduced to her local Village Safe Motherhood Committee (VSMC). With PWS&D's support, Mulanje Mission Hospital is actively working to decrease child and maternal mortality and morbidity rates. One of the ways is through establishing local Village Safe Motherhood Committees. The VSMCs are dedicated to ensuring that pregnant women and their partners are well-informed about the support services available to them before, during, and after childbirth, emphasizing the critical importance of such assistance.

Throughout her pregnancy, Linly gratefully received valuable guidance on the significance of proper nutrition and delivering her baby at the hospital.

Today, Linly is a happy mother with a healthy baby, thanks to the support she received throughout her pregnancy from the VSMC committee members in her community and the excellent care provided at the health facility where she delivered her baby. Linly has promised to also raise awareness with her friends on the importance of having VSMCs within the community and the importance of hospital delivery in reducing maternal and neonatal morbidity and mortality.

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the
**Day of
 Pentecost**

May 19, 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: Litanies to the Holy Spirit

various composers

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

*Hymn: **Come down, O Love divine**

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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: **As comes the breath of spring**

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Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Ezekiel 37:1-14**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **104:24-35**

***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 Reading: Acts 2:1-21

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: St. John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **Breathe on me, breath of God**

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Sermon

Anthem: Come, Holy Spirit, come

Nancy Telfer

Accompanist: Lorraine Clark

"Sitting alone among the multitude, the word of God came to me, and my

blind eyes were touched by light!"

Helen Keller - author

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 Holy Spirit, by whose breath**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Toccata et Grand Choeur sur 'Veni Créator'

Denis Bédard

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

 **Stewardship Moment:** *"The unselfish effort to bring cheer to others will be the beginning of a happier life for ourselves."*

Helen Keller - author



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



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

TODAY IS FOOD BANK SUNDAY - Please leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex. *Thank you!*

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS – Karen Russo, Office Administrator will be on vacation May 17 - 26. The church office will be closed. Messages will be picked up daily. **Pastoral Care: contact Dr. Fullerton at 519-266-9123 or your Elder.** Office will re-open Monday, May 27th.

WOW! Elmwood celebrating 100 years in 2025! - A committee is getting ready organizing activities, i.e.: Robby Burns dinner, picnic, high tea, men's breakfast. We are looking for ideas and volunteers. **There will be a meeting May 26th in the Campbell Room after worship.** Please forward ideas to Darlene tenHaaf 519-471-9354 or tenhaaf3743@rogers.com

48th Annual Geranium Heritage House Tour around Wortley Village on **June 2nd**. **This year the self-guided walking tour begins here at Elmwood** where you can pick up your guidebook and map. Learn about the history and architecture of Old South, including guided visits to the interiors of 8 heritage houses. Registration and starting point will be in Fleck Hall at 12:00 p.m. Regarding tickets, contact Darlene tenHaaf (519-471-9354 or tenhaaf3743@rogers.com). Don't miss out on this unique experience!



For the months of May and June, your Mission Committee would like to collect the following items for the Southdale 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!