

Dates To Remember

May	7	Elmwood Ladies Fellowship meeting at 2:00 p.m.
	10	Session meeting 11:00 a.m. (Campbell Room)
		Drop off you Rummage Sale items 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
	11	Rummage Sale 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
	12	Holy Communion
	19	Food Bank Sunday
	20	Victoria Day – church office closed

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

Sister Church News

New St. James Presbyterian Women's Missionary Society

Help us welcome our guests from India, Dr. Priya John, Director of the Christian Medical Assoc. and Shimy Mathew Secretary, Nurses League CMAI on **Friday, May 10th**. For more information, see poster on bulletin board across from church office.



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!



Sydney Nkhata, a 27-year-old from Northern Malawi, is the chair of a youth network made up of 12 clubs. His management journey was significantly influenced by the "Every Youth Empowered" project, which provided valuable leadership training and is funded by PWS&D. Equipped with new skills, Sydney has become a mentor - guiding and nurturing club members. His efforts ensure that youth actively embrace and take ownership of the project, where they learn about sexual and reproductive health rights - turning it into an integral part of the community. As a result, girls and boys are more aware of the risks related to early pregnancies and transmission of diseases and are changing behaviours. Sydney's story highlights the transformative power of leadership training and showcases his commitment to mentorship and community development.



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Sixth
 Sunday of
 Easter

May 5, 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: Morning Songs

Peter Pindar Stearns

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Call to Worship

Choral Introit

*Hymn: **O sing a new song to the Lord**

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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: **O Spirit come, our hearts inspire**

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Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Acts 10:44-48**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Responsive Psalm: **98**

***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: 1 John 5:1-6

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: St. John 15:9-17

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

*Hymn: **What a friend we have in Jesus**

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Sermon

Anthem: Come down, O love divine

Hilary Tadman Robins

Accompanist: Lorraine Clark

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: **Love divine, all loves excelling**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Festive Scherzo

Malcolm Archer

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



Stewardship Moment: As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family. *Pope Francis*



PCC Prayer – We give thanks for the beauty of creation and pray that the people and nations of the world are inspired to protect and care for earth as God intended.



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



The tulips in sanctuary this morning are placed by Trudy and Bert Van der Hoek to the glory of God and in memory of the Canadian soldiers who fought and gave their lives when liberating Holland seventy-nine years ago so we could be free.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Elmwood Ladies Fellowship meeting Tuesday, May 7th, 2:00 p.m. Ellen Fisher will be demonstrating the art form of Zentangle. An easy-to-learn, relaxing, and fun way to create beautiful images. All ladies welcome! Donations to our church food cupboard for the less fortunate would be appreciated. **We are in need of: hand & shower soap, shampoo (not conditioner), cereal and cereal bars, canned meat, (chicken, turkey, ham, corn beef), canned ready to serve pastas, soups, stews, chili.**

Thank you!

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.

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!