

## Dates To Remember

Sept.25	Pulpit: Rev. Scott McAllister
Oct. 9	Holy Communion
10	Thanksgiving – church office closed
16	97 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday

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



### Donations Matched: Pakistan Flood Response

Pakistan is currently being devastated by widespread flooding and landslides caused by severe monsoon rains. There has been significant loss of human life, property, and infrastructure. Join us in praying for safety and security for the millions of people affected by the ongoing crisis.

The country has received almost three times the yearly average for rain, even as more falls. One third of the country is inundated, with water unlikely to recede soon. The United Nations estimates that 33 million people are affected; 6.4 million people require emergency assistance.

In Sindh province, where PWS&D has been supporting work with our partner, Community World Service Asia, farm families were still recovering from loss of crops and property due to flooding in 2020. The current disaster means they require urgent humanitarian support.

**Support this life-saving assistance by donating to PWS&D. Donations made between Aug. 1 and Sept. 28, 2022 are eligible to be matched, up to \$2.5 million. Please mark donations as “Pakistan Relief”.**



**Ukraine Crisis Appeal** - The invasion of Ukraine has created a humanitarian crisis. This devastating conflict has already displaced hundreds of thousands of people. The most urgent needs are for food, water and shelter. To help respond quickly to the escalating situation, PWS&D is receiving donations for Ukraine.

Refugees and displaced people are receiving cash assistance and emergency mental health and psychosocial support. PWS&D is helping them provide emergency food assistance and other essential non-food aid, including hygiene kits and medical supplies.

Mark your offering envelope with “PWS&D Ukraine”.



## 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.

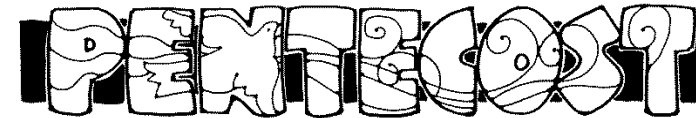
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Serving God  
or Helping  
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**September 18, 2022**

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton

Director of Music: Angus Sinclair, B.Mus., ARCT, ARCCO, LRSM, DD

Organist Emeritus: Bert Van der Hoek, ARCCO

*Welcome!*

In keeping with the easing of Covid restrictions by the Provincial Government, the Session has agreed to end the need to RSVP in order to attend a worship service, and to remove all seating restrictions. Face masks are recommended but not required. We will continue to adapt and change according to circumstances.

An offering can still be made in one of the offering plates upon entering or leaving.

*If able, please stand where indicated with an \* asterisk.*

Preludes: Air and Gavotte

S. Wesley

Words of Welcome and Announcements

## We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Call to Worship

\*Hymn: **Arise, your light is come**

# 712

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 God of love, true source of peace** (tune: 815)

**# 733**

Anthem: Balm in Gilead

arr. Coggin

## **Hear the Word of God**

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1** (pgs. 821-r, 742-w, 619-NRSV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Responsive Psalm: **79:1-9**

**\*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.*

**1 Timothy 2:1-7** (pgs. 1275-r, 1151-w, 963-NRSV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

**St. Luke 16:1-13** (pgs. 1123-r, 1014-w, 851-NRSV)

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

**P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

\*Hymn: **Lord, whose love**

**# 722**

Sermon

Solo: The Gift of Love

Soloist: Kathy Pearson

Hopson

## **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: **For the healing of the nations** (tune: 482)

**# 736**

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude: Dance

Ridout



**Stewardship Moment** - The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.  
*Psalm 24:1*

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)



**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 on the front lawn for fellowship and lemonade, weather permitting. 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.



## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

**Today is Food Bank Sunday** - If you would keep in mind that we are in need of some of the following items, it would be very much appreciated.

- chunky, heat & serve soups
  - canned meats & fish
  - peanut butter
  - canned pastas & stews
  - cereal & cereal bars
  - juice boxes
  - canned fruit & puddings cups
  - coffee
  - crackers
  - toilet tissue
- Please leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex. Thanks!

**Elmwood Ladies Fellowship** - looking forward to meeting again starting Tuesday, October 4 at 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending or have any questions, please contact Marjorie Howell (519-457-3839).

**Please turn in all your pop can tabs** to Ann Fitchett or to the office by next **Sunday, September 25**. That will be our collection for this year. We will continue to collect these next year also. Thank you!



We are happy to return to our usual **mission project for September and October which is Rotholme Family Shelter**. They are again accepting food donations at their Stanley Street location and asked specifically for school lunch items. Here is a list of suggested items:

- lunch bags
- crackers & cheese
- protein/granola bars
- juice boxes
- individually wrapped cookies, muffins, crackers, licorice
- gift cards to WalMart, Giant Tiger, etc.

If you prefer to make a financial contribution to this mission, make your cheque payable to Elmwood Ave. Presbyterian Church with a notation on the cheque and envelope stating 'Mission Project'. Thank you from your Mission Committee.

**Are you in the midst of canning?** Would you please remember our Bazaar/Food Fare is scheduled for (Nov. 5) and make a few extra jars? It would be greatly appreciated! Jars available in the basement (former Youth Room). Thank you!

**Early Warning** - The next issue of **Hark The Herald** is scheduled for mid November. Contributions gratefully accepted - stories, jokes, photos, etc. Please put hard copies in mailbox E15 or drop off at the church office. Thank you! Deadline is Oct. 30, 2022