

## Dates To Remember

Sept. 2	Labour Day – church office closed
5	Choir rehearsals resume – 7:00 p.m.
8	Holy Communion
15	Food Bank Sunday
22	Anniversary Committee meeting following worship (Campbell Rm)
29	Truth & Reconciliation Luncheon following worship (Fleck Hall)

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

## MISSION

On behalf of the Southdale Chaplaincy, the Mission Committee thanks everyone who donated so generously and delivered the items requested to their location on Southdale Drive. This particular location distributes the items to their Southdale site as well as their site at Limberlost. Their needs are great and so is their thankfulness!

**For the months of September and October**, please consider donating school lunch items which will be delivered to Rotholme. This can include:

❖paper lunch bags, ❖juice boxes ❖snacks - individually wrapped  
EVERYTHING MUST BE PEANUT FREE. Thank you!

 The Truth and Reconciliation Committee would like to invite everyone for lunch in Fleck Hall after worship on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> to mark the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)** and to continue our support of the Oneida Nation of the Thames. Donations will be accepted at the door. Envelopes will be available for those who wish to have their donations added to their givings receipts. The proceeds will be used to help fund the ongoing rebuilding and rehabilitation project led by The Imagine Build Team to improve the housing situation in the Oneida community. \$656 was collected at our spring luncheon and we would like to increase that to at least \$1000. We look forward to seeing everyone there, each of us making our own personal act of reconciliation.

 **PWS&D Food Distribution in Gaza** - As the devastation in Gaza continues, PWS&D continues to respond with the Middle East Council of Churches' Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR), through the ACT Alliance.

DSPR is delivering psychological first-aid training, cash distributions, primary health care services, and other necessary support, including food and some basic supplies.

Your support is making a difference by providing ready-to-go meals to individuals and families facing food insecurity. Your contributions help ensure that their basic needs are met during these challenging times.

**Office Hours:** 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Monday – Thursday

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# Summer Worship

**September 1, 2024**

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton

Today's Worship Leader: Rev. Herb Hilder

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.*

Organ Prelude: Thaxted

King's Lynn

Terra Beata

arr. C. Callahan

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Words of Welcome and Announcements

## We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Call to Worship

\*Hymn: **This is my Father's world**

# 328

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: **Break now the bread of life**

# 507



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)



## Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Psalm: 77

**\*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: **Acts 16:16-34**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Lesson: **St. Mark 5:1-13**

L: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,

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

\*Hymn: **And can it be that I should gain**

# 352

Sermon: **I rose, went forth and followed thee**

Solo: Eternal ruler of the skies

Baritone: Bill Neaves

W.A. Mozart

## 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: **All who love and serve your city**

# 721

\*Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Chorale Postlude

J.S. Bach/Lorenz



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



Thank you to baritone, Bill Neaves for his contribution to our worship service this morning!



**Stewardship Moment:** When you let go of trying to get more of what you don't really need, it frees up oceans of energy to make a difference with what you have.

*Lynne Twist, author and founder of The Soul of Money Institute*

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

**We want to warmly thank Rev. Herb Hilder for kindly leading us in worship these past three weeks during Rev. Dr. Fullerton's vacation.**

Rev. Herb comes from Welland, Ontario. He holds academic degrees from Brock, the University of Western Ontario, and Knox College (University of Toronto), and a Certificate in Spiritual Formation from Columbia University in Decatur, Georgia

Beginning in 1980, he served congregations in Guelph, Sackville and Port Elgin New Brunswick, Chilliwack and Prince George, British Columbia. Rev. Herb stepped away from full time active parish ministry in December 2019. He and his wife Katharine (also an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church in Canada) moved to London in 2022. They have two adult daughters - Ruth and Jane and a delightful 9 month old granddaughter, Nora.

**Vacation:** Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton will be away until September 3.

**Pastoral Emergencies:** contact Rev. Keith McKee at St. George's Presbyterian (ph: 519-455-5760, email: [stgeorge@execulink.com](mailto:stgeorge@execulink.com)). Or, contact your Elder. Thank you.

**Senior Choir** – will start rehearsing on Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> (7:00 p.m.).

We will certainly welcome new members in every section. If you are interested in singing and great fellowship, please contact our Music Director, Bonnie Neaves (519-685-6324). Being able to read music is helpful, but not essential.

**Planting Seeds of Hope. 2025 Presbyterian Church wall calendars are now available.** The 2025 wall calendar marks 150 years of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. Cost \$6. Please place your pre-order with Ann Fitchett or the church office.

**Are you canning?** – Please remember our **Fall Bazaar** and make some extra jars. It would be greatly appreciated! Jars are available, but **small jars are needed** – Please leave small jars only in the servery. Also, please remember to work on your knitting and crafts. Thank you!