

ELMVALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
22 Queen St. E. Elmvale, ON L0L 1P0

*Elmvale Presbyterian Church is a Christian Community sharing
God's love through worship, music, prayer, teaching and outreach.*

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 20, 2022

Please stand for the entry of the Bible.

*Please stand if you are able.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

**MOMENT OF QUIET REFLECTION TO PREPARE FOR
WORSHIP**

LENT LITURGY: Sue Montgomery

HYMN: 319 Wherever I may wonder

**PRAYER OF APPROACH, CONFESSION & LORD'S
PRAYER** (unison)

**Amazing God, you are the giver of life, the root of all our
being, the Creator of the ends of the earth, of all that is, and
will be, and has been. You give a purpose to our lives, a sense
of meaning to every one of our days, a feeling of hope as we
look to the future, an inner confidence no matter what we may
face, and so we offer you our gratitude.**

**Living God, you are with us always, imparting strength, giving
guidance, offering comfort, and so we praise you. We see you
in your son Jesus who revealed your goodness, demonstrated
your love, expressed your compassion and so we respect, honor
and obey you.**

**Gracious God, you surround us with more than we need, you
grant us your continual blessing, and your unconditional love.**



**Receive our praise, our thanks and our worship as we come
before you in grateful response to all your goodness.**

**Lord, you see us as we are, for there can be nothing hidden
from you. Give us courage so we may face ourselves honestly,
acknowledge our faults, and know then understand the fullness
of the forgiveness you offer. Help us rejoice in the renewal of
life this brings through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to
pray together saying...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy
name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us
this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the
kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS: (in unison)

**Merciful God, forgive our sins, bring us to eternal life through
Jesus Christ your son, our savior.**

**Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy.**

FAMILY HYMN: 27 As the deer

FAMILY TIME:

ANTHEM:

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 55:1-9 (Page 685)
Responsive Psalm 63:1-8 (Book of Psalms)
1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 (Page 172)
Luke 13: 1-9 (Page 76)

L. This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Rev. Jim Young, our Interim Moderator

HYMN: 483 Glorious things of these are spoken

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Rev. Jim Young

OFFERING: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Doxology #79 praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

***PRESENTATION & PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

HYMN: 651 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING:**

The Blessing

May God give you peace through every trial.

May God give you courage for every mile.

May God give you comfort and be your friend,

and give you life eternal,

life without end.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank Rev. Jim and all those who took part in today's service.

“It is with joy and excitement that we bring news to the congregation, after a flurry of activity this past week, that we are very hopeful about the candidate who has been sent to us. Rev. Jim has all the details to share with you.”

Mon. March 21 9 a.m-3 p.m. **phone in dinner orders** 322-1411.

Thur. March 24 7 p.m. **Choir**

Fri. March 25 5:45-6:15 p.m. **pick up dinner orders**

LENTEN MISSION PROJECT

The isolation and separation of Covid and having to do school virtually has taken a toll on the mental health of some of our children. The mission focus of the church family over the weeks of Lent, therefore, will be the **Simcoe/Muskoka Child & Youth**

Mental Health Services (RVH) which offers excellent in-patient and out-patient programs. The mission will run to Sunday Apr. 17th. Please mark your envelopes **“Lenten Mission”**.

UPCOMING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church's four committees are always seeking new members as we encourage the sharing of your God given talents. Your interests could be in the nurturing of the congregation on the Worship and Nurture committee; the missions of our church on the Mission and Outreach committee; the nuts and bolts of our building and all matters financial by joining the Finance and Maintenance team and the sharing and furthering of your biblical knowledge on the Christian Education committee. As we draw closer to the Annual General meeting on April 3rd we invite the congregation to give some thought and prayer to how you could help our church continue to grow as we await our new minister.

Session approved a motion requiring all congregants entering the church to be fully masked for the next two weeks up to and including April 3rd, 2022. Proof of vaccination is no longer required as mandated by the Provincial Government as of March 1, 2022.

A Ham and Scalloped Potato takeout meal is scheduled for Friday, March 25th with orders to be phoned into the church on Monday, March 21. Cost of the meal is \$20 with proceeds going to PWS&D in support of Ukraine. The committee welcomes the bakers in the congregation to help by supplying fruit crisps (apple, berry). Please speak to Elizabeth or Marlene.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Interim Moderator - Rev. Jim Young jim.ann.young@gmail.com

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