

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.*

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 24, 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**

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Psalm 116) *Kevin Kerr*

One: Praise the Lord!

All: How can I repay the Lord for all his goodness to me?

One: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

All: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of his people.

One: I will walk in the courts of the house of the Lord.

All: Praise the Lord!

HYMN: 108 Praise ye the Lord

PRAYER OF APPROACH, CONFESSION & LORD'S

PRAYER (unison)

Amazing God, we don't understand how you raised Jesus from the dead; how you breathed life into his broken body; how you rolled the stone away from the tomb; how he somehow appeared unrecognized to Mary and to the two disciples on the Emmaus Road; how he walked through locked doors to be with the Apostles; how he repeatedly appeared from nowhere to stand among his followers.

What we do understand is this: that he changed the lives of all who met him; turning their sadness into celebration; their despair to hope and their doubt into faith; that he is with us now through his life-changing Spirit giving us joy, peace and a sense of focus and purpose such as we never imagined. We do not understand, but we believe: we rejoice and offer you our grateful worship in Jesus' name.

Merciful God, we find it hard to acknowledge our mistakes, to admit we are as fallible as the next person. We concern ourselves with outward appearances rather than with inner reality even when our hearts tell us it is not the way it should be. Forgive our dishonesty; help us not to take the easy way out. Help us confess our mistakes to you as well as to others; help us make a fresh start this Easter.

We pray these things through Jesus Christ our risen Lord who taught us when we pray together to say...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)

Let us lay the burden of our daily living before God, ask him to forgive what we have been, to change what we are and to direct what we will be. Amen

FAMILY HYMN: 445 Open our eyes, Lord

FAMILY TIME:

ANTHEM:

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Isabella Kirton-Fletcher

Isaiah 25: 6 - 9

Responsive Psalm 114

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(Book of Psalms)

1 Corinthians 5: 6b – 8

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Luke 24: 13 – 35

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L. This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: *Rev. Jim Young, our Interim Moderator*

HYMN: 262 Come to us, beloved stranger

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: *Janice Terry*

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: 825 Saviour, again to your dear name

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.

"An invitation for everyone to stay following the worship service this morning for a time of fellowship over a light lunch as a presentation will be made to Rev. Jim and Ann Young for

his extended time spent with our congregation as Interim Moderator. Our prayers for a Bon Voyage as they soon take off on a trip to check off a few items on their 'bucket list' with our best wishes."

"As the COVID-19 infection count has been rising again, Session reviewed mask wearing and although we can not enforce the mandate, we would strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask while in the church."

Thur. April 28 7 p.m. **Choir**

UPCOMING CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Healing & Reconciliation Speaker Series at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Barrie.

Wed. April 27 7p.m. The Church's Involvement in Residential Schools

Free Will Offering - \$10 suggested

Tue. May 3 10 a.m. **Mission and Outreach**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Today 1-4 p.m. **Celebration of Life for Jack Heads** at the Elmvale Legion.

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