

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

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 29, 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:

One: Jesus the Christ said, I am the Good Shepherd.

All: We have come to follow him.

One: We gather in the name of the One who leads us by still
waters.

All: We have come to be restored in him.

One: We gather in the name of the One who prepares a banquet for
us.

All: We have come to be fed by his love, so let us worship God.

HYMN: 372 Praise him, praise him

PRAYER OF APPROACH AND CONFESSION (unison)

Lord God, our good and loving shepherd,

You nourish our lives and lead us into green pastures.

You restore our souls with rest and peace.

You give us true joy so our cup overflows with goodness.

You walk with us through the darkest valleys,

offering us courage and compassion.

**At all times and in all circumstances, you are with us,
Creator, Redeemer and Guiding Spirit,
so we praise you, Holy One, now and always. Amen.**

**Patient God, your mercy is abundant and your love endless.
Trusting in your mercy,**

**we confess that often we have not shown your love to others,
even though we claim it for ourselves.**

**You have called us to show compassion,
but too often we are quick to judge others.**

**You have been called to follow Jesus,
yet we are distracted by our own plans and desires.**

**Forgive us for falling short of your hopes for us
and renew a right spirit within us.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS: (unison)

The mercy of our God is from everlasting to everlasting.

Lord may we hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

**Jesus, you show us God's generous love and you reach out to
embrace us.**

**Lord, forgive us for the times we pull away for your generous
love.**

**We pray this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray...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**

FAMILY HYMN: 373 Jesus loves me

FAMILY TIME:

ANTHEM:

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SERMON: Pastor Jane Archer based on Psalm 23.

HYMN: I come to the garden alone

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

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: 650 He leadeth me

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING:**

Go Now In Peace

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Pastor Jane Archer to our church this morning and thank her for consenting to help us with our worship services until our new minister joins us at the beginning of July. Pastor Jane is the contact for pastoral care including emergencies and sickness. She is happy to visit in person or by phone depending on the comfort level of the person (or persons) she will be visiting. Her email address is chaplain4you@gmail.com and her cell phone is 905-806-5427.

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

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK

"It is a sad day for the community. The difficult decision has been made to close St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Hillsdale. The final service is this afternoon, May 29th at 2:00 pm. In support, our choir will be participating in the worship and it would certainly be an honour to the Hillsdale congregation if we could fill their sanctuary for this final service. Everyone is welcome."

Tues. May 31: **Tom's ordination at 11 am.** This service will be both in-person and by Zoom. We are awaiting further details about how many people Calvin, North Bay can safely accommodate in person. Please contact your clerk of session if you plan to attend so Cathy can notify the appropriate people at Calvin, North Bay and at Presbytery

.Thur. June 2 7 p.m. **Choir**

Thanks to all the legwork put in by **Reg Cowan and Larry Huth**, we have secured a residence for Tom and Terry! The Masons toured three options on Tuesday and have chosen the condo at Wasaga Beach, which is available July 1st. More details will follow as they become available. If you would like further information, please speak with Reg or Larry. Thank you to Rev. Jonathan for his time touring with us on Tuesday. And thank you for your prayers and your expectation that those prayers would be answered.

"**The Willing Workers/ Women's Missionary Society** members invite the congregation to join them in support of the annual Baby Bottle Campaign raising funds for Compassion Place Pregnancy & Family Care Centre located in Midland. All you need to do is pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your loose change or any form of a donation. The campaign will run from now (Mother's Day) until Father's Day when our group will collect the filled baby bottles and return them to the office in Midland. We thank you in advance for your support"

UPCOMING CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, June 13 Noon The **WW/WMS ladies** will be meeting at **Heritage Park** for their June luncheon. This will be a bring your own lunch and we will get together for a time of fellowship. See you at the park.

The annual Friendship Tea with the residents of **Sara Vista** will be held **Tuesday June 14th**. We will need 13 pies and ask that they be at the church by 12:00 that day. Once again restrictions have necessitated delivery of the pies to the residence and having the staff distribute them. A signup sheet is in the social room or you can contact Mary with the kind of pie(s) you can make. Thanks in advance for your help.

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