

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.*

CHRISTIAN FAMILY SUNDAY

MAY 8, 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:** Deb Kirton

God, I worship you because ...

**Before I was formed, you shaped me.**

God, I worship you because ...

**Before I was born, you fashioned me.**

God, I worship you because ...

**Before I was born, you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

God, I worship you because,

**Before I was born, you made me one of a kind.**

**HYMN:** 438 When morning gilds the skies

**PRAYER OF APPROACH, CONFESSION & LORD'S**

**PRAYER** (unison)

**Heavenly Father, you are the God of Creation. In the  
beginning, You created heaven and earth, and ultimately you  
created us. For God knows the plans He has for us. You told us**

**Lord, your plans are to prosper us and not to harm us, plans to  
give us hope and a future.**

**Some of us might say, "Hmm, somewhere you God messed  
up, because life has not gone the way "I" planned.**

**"Oh, I see the problem Lord, My plan and your plan were not  
the same, and in my disobedience, I chose my plan over yours."**

**Lord, forgive me for the times I have gone my own way. Lead  
me beside the still waters and restore my soul.**

**For 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*

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:** (in unison)

**Thank you, Lord, for the assurance of your forgiveness. As  
your word tells us, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and  
just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all  
unrighteousness." Thanks be to God.**

**FAMILY HYMN:** Deep and Wide

**FAMILY TIME:**

**ANTHEM:**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE:** Carolyn Heads

Responsive Psalm 8

Luke 2:1-20

*(Book of Psalms)*

*(Page 58)*

L. This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON:** Pastor Jane Archer

**HYMN:** 630 When we are living

**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:** 689 Simply trusting every day

**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 can not enforce the mandate, we would strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask while in the church."**

**CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK**

Mon. May 9 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Phone in your "Let's Do Lunch" orders 322-1411 for Thursday May 12.

1:30 p.m. **Willing Worker's/WMS** in the parlour for those feeling comfortable attending.  
7 p.m. **Finance & Maintenance**

Thur. May 12 11:45-12:15 Pick up for "Let's Do Lunch".  
7 p.m. **Choir**

**UPCOMING CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Tues. May 17:** Tom's call will be presented at the Presbytery of Algoma and North Bay. David Graham, Angela Kirton and Cathy Finlay will speak in support of the call. If you wish to attend this Zoom meeting, please tell your clerk of session by May 17 so Cathy can send all the links to the Clerk of Presbytery. Please keep everyone involved in prayer.

**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.

**Our sympathy is extended to Myrt Greenlaw and family on the passing of Wally on Sun. May 1. The funeral was held at this church last Thur. May 5.**

**Jackie Ritchie's new address:**

Hillcrest Village Care Centre,  
255 Russell St., Midland ON L4R 5L6

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**

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*Happy  
Mothers  
Day*