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

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

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 17, 2022

Please stand for the entry of the Bible. *Please stand if you are able.

MOMENT OF QUIET REFELECTION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

God of wisdom, by the leading of your Spirit, open our minds to receive new insight from familiar stories.

Open our hearts to grasp deeper truth, revealed through the Scriptures, and through Jesus Christ, your Living Word. **Amen.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive) *Janice Terry* One: The Lord is our light and our salvation! Whom shall we fear? All: The Lord is our stronghold. Of whom shall we be afraid? One: As we wait on the Lord, let us be strong and of good courage. All: God has called us together, and we have come. One: Let us thank God forever, because of what God has done. All: We will proclaim God's holy name, for God is good. Let us worship God!

HYMN: Come in, come in and sit down

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

God of majesty and mystery, your love and purpose embrace the whole world.

You set us in a world of beauty and bounty and invite us to meet you in the midst of its wonders.

You call us to love each other in the example of Jesus to make your world a place of justice and compassion.

In this hour of worship, send us your Spirit of wisdom and grace

so that we can live out the praise on our lips in our day- to- day living, which we offer to you, our one and only God.

The Prayer of Confession:

Lord Jesus Christ, you were born one of us to show us God's love for us.

You came to teach us God's truth and touch us with God's mercy.

We confess we sometimes try to push you away.

We cling to what we think, and resist your challenge to open our lives to others.

We limit our generosity, convinced we can't give any more. Forgive us, Lord Jesus, when we turn away from the example you set for us. As we pray in the strong name of Jesus...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: (unison)

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ –

And Christ died for us; Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Friends believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free by God's generous grace.

FAMILY HYMN: 307 God of the sparrow, God of the whale

FAMILY TIME:

ANTHEM:

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Kevin Kerr Psalm 15: (Responsive) Old Testament Reading: Genesis 18: 1-10a Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42 L. This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

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MESSAGE: "To Be or not to Be?" Rev. Tom Mason

HYMN: 637 Take my life, and let it be consecrated

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Debbie Kirton

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:

The stories of Scripture remind us there are many ways to give in gratitude for God's goodness to us. Whatever we have to give, let us give joyfully and generously, trusting God to do more than we can ask or imagine, in the name of Christ, our Living Lord.

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Living, Loving God,

Martha offered the work of her hands to Jesus and Mary offered her close attention. We bring the gifts we have to offer to you. Bless and multiply them. Show us how they can best serve your purposes in our church and in your world. **Amen.**

HYMN: 569 O Jesus, I have promised

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING:**

Go in the peace of God. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, And the Love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, Be with you all. **Amen**.

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

Thank you to Rev. Tom and all those who helped with the service this morning.

"At the June 15 Session meeting it was agreed that the decision regarding the wearing of the face masks while in the church would be left up to each individual."

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THIS IS A SCENT-FREE FACILITY.

Birthday Cake Sunday will resume July 31st. There is a sign-up sheet in the social room if you would care to make one or both of the cakes required.

Thur. July 21 - 7 p.m. Choir

Calling all pie bakers. We will be supplying pies to the Bayshore Seniors Club on Thurs. July 21st. Let Elizabeth or Marlene know if you can make a pie for that date. At the moment we don't know how many they need but they will let us know.

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FOOD BANK NEEDS

If you care to contribute to the Food Bank they can use the following:

rice school snacks jello canned fruit gift cards apple juice cookies sidekicks toilet paper

Donations can be placed in the containers found at each entrance to the church.

"God's people caring and sharing"