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.

8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 31, 2022

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

MOMENT OF QUIET REFELECTION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

O God, send your Holy Spirit to open our minds and hearts to receive your wisdom in the Scriptures. Transform us by the grace we hear proclaimed and empower us to live it daily, for the sake of Christ, our Lord. **Amen**.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive) *Ruth Currie* One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good! All: God's faithful love endures forever. One: Has the Lord redeemed you? Then say so! All: God has redeemed us from trouble and leads us on paths of justice and righteousness. One: Praise the Lord for God's steadfast love is great! All: Let us praise the Lord! Let us worship God.

HYMN: 338 Let all things now living

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

God of justice and joy, As we gather for worship this day, we join your whole creation to offer you praise.

We sense your glory in the grandeur of open skies and the expanding horizon.

We sense your power of new life in growing fields and growing children.

We trust your gift of new life in Christ, rising in us with courage and compassion.

Your Spirit blows through us like a fresh breeze in the breath of prayer.

Fill us with a sense of your holiness in this hour, O God, to renew us in our love for you and our care for each other and all your creation.

The Prayer of Confession:

God of justice and generosity,

we trust that all life flows from your hand,

yet we confess we often worry about how much life costs us. We like to have much more than enough set aside and we hesitate to share.

Forgive us when our hearts long for the security of this world, not the security of your love.

Forgive us Lord and help deepen our thoughts 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 PARDON: (unison)

Remember the words of St Paul: "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." Believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free by God's generous grace.

FAMILY HYMN: 625 Seek ye first

FAMILY TIME:

ANTHEM:

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Ruth Currie
Psalm 49:1-7 (Responsive)
One: Hear this all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich, and poor together.
All: My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.
One: I will incline my ear to a proverb.
All: I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.
One: Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?

All: Truly no ransom avails for one's life; there is no price one can give to God for it.

Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 1: 1-2; 12-14(Page 614)Gospel Reading: Luke 12:13-21(Page 74)L. This is the word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "Do we need more?" Rev. Tom Mason

HYMN: 630 When we are living

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Isabel Savage

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:

God has blessed us with abundant love in Christ and in creation. Let us share this abundance in our offering today so that others may also rejoice in God's goodness.

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:

Abundant God, we bring you our gifts in gratitude for your generosity. Bless and multiply these gifts in Jesus' name, so that they can spread your goodness in the world and touch lives of those in need, for Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN: You are my all in all

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING:**

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.

Birthday Cake Sunday resumes today. There is a sign-up sheet in the social room if you would care to make one or both of the cakes required.

"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.

All quilters are invited to join us in the church parlour on Wednesday, August 3rd at 1:00 pm to take part in an afternoon of hand quilting. The quilt is in the frame and is awaiting the hands.

Thur. August 4 - 7 p.m. Choir

CHURCH DIRECTORY Minister – Rev. Tom Mason Cell# 1-819-627-6994 Minister in Association - Rev. Lois Lyons Organist & Choir Director - Ruth Currie 429-8891 Clerk of Session - Marlene Lambie 322-1843

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FOOD BANK NEEDS

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

rice a school snacks o jello s canned fruit t 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"