

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.*

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
WELCOME BACK SUNDAY

SEPT. 11, 2022

Please stand for the entry of the Bible.

*Please stand if you are able.

**MOMENT OF QUIET REFLECTION TO PREPARE FOR
WORSHIP**

Dear Lord Jesus. Thank you so much for all the precious children in this world. We know they mean so much to you. We welcome every child and young person back to church this morning.

We pray you would help us do all we can to care and to protect them and to give them the support in life they deserve.

We pray as your congregation of Elmvale Presbyterian, that you would bless each one as they grow and thrive in Jesus' name. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive) *Isabella Kirton-Fletcher*

One: Children of God: Welcome!

All: Welcome to this place of love and grace,

One: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

All: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

One: God invites us all to share in the good news.

All: We are all welcome, We are all loved, just as we are.

One: With grateful hearts, let us Worship God together!

HYMN: #372 Praise Him, Praise Him...

**PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION & LORD'S
PRAYER** (unison)

Storytelling God, we gather in your presence this day, called by the stories of your people since the beginning of time.

You are the source of wisdom we seek, Your mercy eases the troubles that can fill our hearts.

And we come to praise you, for your stories have the power to challenge us and change us for good.

Draw near to us as we draw near to you this day.

Tell us the stories that will change our lives, through the grace of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Prayer of Confession:

Gracious God, forgive us when we fail to notice the light of sunrises and sunsets, the healing sounds of flowing water, and the beauty that surrounds us.

Stay with us God, when we fail to listen to your voice that leads and guides us.

May your grace come to us when we fail to love as you would have us love, when we fail to care as you would have us care.

May we walk together as friends in your Spirit, as we pray together the words of Jesus taught us...

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)

Be assured that God loves you, always has and always will. In that assurance may you find peace.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

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

CHILDREN AND YOUTH TIME:

(Please may we ask the children and young people to gather, together and sit in the front pews for this morning's service)

HYMN MEDLEY:

If your Happy and you Know it; I've Got Peace Like a River; This Little Light of Mine

A Special "Wrapped in God's Love" welcome back presentation to our children and youth.

Recognition for our Grade 8 Graduates

Children's – short skit. *Emerson & Layton Fay*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: *Reid, Wesley & Deanna Nelson*

Psalm 16: 7-9 (Responsive)

One: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also, my heart instructs me.

All: I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

One: Therefore, my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body rests secure.

New Testament Passages:

Galatians 5:22-25 "The Fruit of the Spirit"

22. But, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness,

23. Gentleness, and self control. There is no law against such things.

24. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

25. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

2 John 4-6 "Truth and Love"

4. I was overjoyed to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as we have been commanded by the Father.

5. But now, dear lady, I ask you, not as though I were writing a new commandment, but one that we have had from the beginning, let us love one another.

6. And this is love that we walk according to his commandments; this is the commandment just as you have heard it from the beginning – you must walk in it.

L. This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIVE MOMENT: "An Awesome Friend who is Always There" - Rev Tom Mason

DUET: My Heart is in Your Keeping

Kevin Kerr & David Graham

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:

We give you thanks LORD, for all of the many blessings that we have received, for our homes, for our church and especially for our families and friends.

It is good and right, that we praise you, and that we give back what we are able, to help other families and friends who may be in need, and who require your love and your support.

*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:

O God, we offer these gifts to you. Bless them and use them to bring families closer together, to encourage and to build up each child and youth and for you to guide them to grow in your Glory to become the loving people that you have planned them to be.
Amen.

HYMN: #626 Lord of All Power

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING:**

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good.
Return no one evil for evil; help the suffering; honor all.
Love and Serve the Lord!
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
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.

We thank Carolyn Hill for helping with the music today and Kevin & David for their special music.

Everyone is invited downstairs following the service for a special Welcome Back Luncheon followed by Bowling.

“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.

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

Mon. Sept. 12 1 p.m. Willing Worker's/WMS (parlour)
All women of the congregation are most welcome.

ROAST BEEF DINNER – Sat. Sept 17 5:45 – 6:15 p.m.

Take out or in town delivery \$20

Orders phoned in Mon. Sept. 12 (705-323-1411) 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pick up Sat. Sept 17 5:45-6:15 p.m.

FUNDRAISER FOR ELMVALE CEMETERY

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sept. 16 – 18 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. **Simcoe County Quilt, Rug & Artisan Fair** at Simcoe County Museum. See poster on b.b. at side door.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Back to School Needs at Food Bank

rice	cereal
apple juice	tuna
hamburg helper	kleenex
canned beef gravy	school puddings & snacks
canned creamed corn	canned corn niblets
canned potatoes	cheese whiz
drinking boxes	

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