

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



**THIS SUNDAY ELMVALE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH CELEBRATES 164 YEARS OF
FAITHFUL PRESBYTERIAN WITNESS**

A Warm Welcome to Knox Flos and all visitors.

**Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Neal Mathers B.A.
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Sunday November 3, 2024

**Moment of Quiet Reflection to Prepare for
Worship**

Sovereign Lord, today we remember those who have come before us, we reflect on the outcome of their prayers and dreams. Of their faith rooted deeply in a steady dependance on your provision, and we give thanks for the many blessings we have

received through your blessings and their hard work and commitment to your church. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements Marlene Lambie,
Clerk of Session

Call to Worship (Responsive) Linda Murray

One: On this day of memories, we gather to worship, to sing and to pray.

All: We remember the past and look to the future with hope.

One: On this day we reflect on the saints who went before us and on their prayerful hopes.

All: We come before you, God, giving thanks for our traditions and trusting in your Will.

One: On this day we joyfully come together to worship you in our 164th Year.

All: We come before you, God, grateful for all the blessings that we have received.

Hymn #434 For the Beauty of the Earth

Prayers of Approach, Confession, and the Lords Prayer (In Unison)

Eternal God,

You have called us to be members of one body.

We give thanks for your goodness and love towards others. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name.

That with one heart and mind, we may show the unity and love of your church. Bless and strengthen our commitment to you, that through your grace our faith may deepen and our hearts may be open.

May your Spirit continue to guide us with our traditions that bring honor and glory to you alone, Guide us and continue to build us in the image and truth of Christ. As we pray in the strong name of Jesus. **Amen**

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, By what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We have reached out with the good news of the Gospel to others enough. In your mercy forgive what we have been, and direct what we shall be, So that we may delight in your will and walk always in your ways, To the glory of your Holy name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray ...

The Lord's Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

While it is truth that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in Jesus Christ. To all who humbly seek the mercy of God I say, In Jesus Christ your sin is forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Hymn Just A Closer Walk With Thee

Choir Anthem

Family Time: The Baptism of Lena Julie Girard

The Statement – Rev. Dr. Neal Mathers

The Confession – Rev Tom Mason

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles Creed – Rev.

Dr. Neal Mathers

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the

Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving and Baptism – Rev Tom Mason

Scripture Readings

Job 42:1-3 (Unison) Linda Murray

All: The Job answered the LORD:

All: I know that you can do all things, and that no
purpose of yours can be thwarted.

All: "Who is this that hides counsel with knowledge?" therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things to wonderful for me, which I did not know.

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 29:10-14

New Testament Reading: Mark 14:35-37

Message: "God's Plans Are Good Plans" - By Rev. Dr. Neal Mathers

Hymn #634 Will You Come and Follow Me

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Linda Murray

Invitation to the Offering

Whatever you give, give with confidence that God will use our gifts for the good purposes of the Gospel. Freely, freely, we have received, freely, freely we give.

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God forever. Amen.

Hymn #324 – Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Benediction and Blessing

May the Lord bless and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you; and be gracious to you; the Lord lift- up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

Go now in Peace

Congregation Announcements

Sun Nov 03 – Anniversary Sunday – **Time change**
& Potluck Lunch

Tues Nov 05 – Mission and Outreach at 10:30am

Tues Nov 05 – Centre Flos Women’s Institute
1-4pm (Parlour)

Tues Nov 05 - Bible Study 2pm (Fellowship Hall)

Wed Nov 06 – Craft Group 9am

Thurs Nov 07 – Choir 7pm

Sat Nov 09 - Ice Owls Hockey (Emily McClean)
2-4pm Stayner Arena

Sun Dec 01 - Santa Claus Parade – Theme:
Christmas Characters

PCC Calendar – If anyone would like a 2025 PCC
Calendar, please let Deanna Nelson know by Sun
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