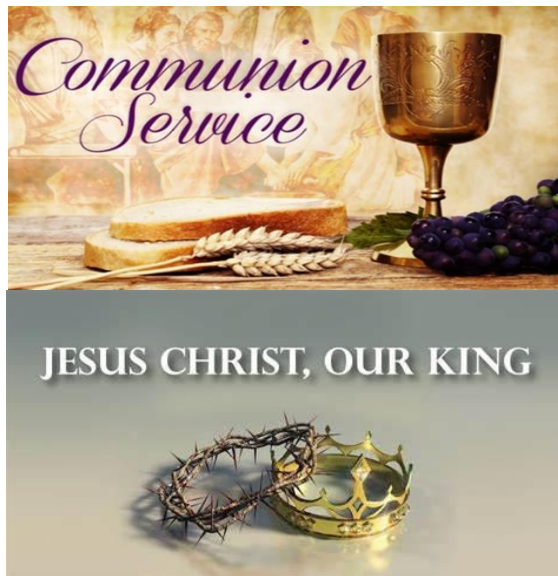


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*"Elmvale Presbyterian Church is a Christian Community where  
Everyone is welcome sharing God's love through worship,  
music, prayer, teaching and outreach for 164 years in our  
community."*

**Service: The Reign of Christ - Sunday November 24, 2024.**



**Minister: Rev Tom Mason**

***Please stand if you are able for the entrance for the Bible***

**MOMENT OF QUIET REFLECTION BEFORE WORSHIP**

Amid the distractions of these days, give us undivided hearts and attentive minds, O God. Settle us with your Holy Spirit so that we might listen for your truth, and discern your guiding Word. **Amen.**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 95: The Message) Janet Beech

There is a place that calls us apart summons us beyond, asks us for more.

**A place where God is sovereign.**

There is a place that fractures the norms splits the standards, shatters the culture.

**A place where God rules.**

There is a place that fosters real questions engenders honest conversation, summons our souls' connection.

**A place where God holds sway.**

This is that place. A place that reminds us of heaven, when we let it.

**A place where we come together as one.**

Let us worship God

**Hymn #526 – Lift Up Your Hearts**

**OUR PRAYERS OF APPROACH, CONFESSION, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PRAYER OF APPROACH** (Unison)

God of our ancestors,

You have wanted relationships with people ever since the dawn of humanity You have reached out in love right from the beginning of our existence. You are glad to be known as the God of Abraham and as our God You want us to know ourselves as Your children, Your people. You are the Ancient of Days and as fresh as summer rain. Steadfast and Surprising God, You are younger and older than all that is and before Your face, we bow in wonder at You again. What a gift that You make Yourself known, and call us to You, and call out the best in us. **Amen.**

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Dear Lord,

what a puzzle we are to ourselves when we become disconnected from You and do not even think to say, "Help".

Forgive us when we fail to hear the cries of another.

Forgive us when we hurt others because we are hurting.

Forgive us when we sit too long in the certainty we are beyond

repair or that we are right. Help us, Jesus, to let You come near, to speak to us clearly, saying, 'I forgive you, I love you, go on in peace.' Holy Spirit, be present within us, come alive in us fill us with a new warmth and energy, mended, faithful and hopeful, 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 PARDON:** (Unison)

God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace with God, with yourself and with one another.

**Hymn #740 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace**

**Family Time & Children's Church**

**Choir Anthem – Bow the Knee**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Psalm 93: 1-4** (Unison) Brad McGrady

One: The LORD reigns and is robed in majesty;

**All: the LORD is robed and girded with strength.**

One: The Lord has established the world; it shall never be moved:

**All: your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.**

One: The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; The floods lift up their roaring.

**All: More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than waves of the sea,  
Majestic on high is the LORD!**

**The Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37**

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE: "What do I Remember?" by Rev Tom**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed** (Unison)

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,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and 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.**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

God offers us a future in Christ Jesus, sometimes through comfort and sometimes through challenge. We present our gifts to God in gratitude for God's faithfulness to us in every situation.

*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**

God of healing and hope, you offer us what we need in Christ Jesus, not always what we want. Bless our gifts and use them to meet needs in lives touched by the outreach of our church. Give each of us courage to reach out in Jesus' name whenever you call.

**Amen.**

**Hymn: #548 Let us break bread together**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Prayer of Invocation**

**The Words of Invitation**

**The Story of the Last Supper**

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Blessing of the Bread and Wine**

**The Elders will pass the bread and wine.**

**The Prayers of Intercession**

**The Breaking and Sharing of the Bread and Wine**

**Words and Sign of Peace**

**Hymn #687 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine**

## **GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD**

### **THE BENEDICTION**

Go in faith into whatever the week ahead may hold, sure that Christ walks with you. And may the God who made us, the Christ who mends us, and the Spirit who gives us life bring you joy and peace, now and always.

### **THE BLESSING**

#### **Walk With the Lord**



## **Sermon Notes**



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