

# **Elmvale Presbyterian Church**



Elmvale Presbyterian Church
A Place Where Everyone is Welcome
"Generations of Faith"
Since 1860

### The Sunday of Pentecost with Holy Communion



Sunday June 8, 2025 Minister: Rev Tom Mason Please stand, if able, for the entry of the Bible

### **Moment of Quiet Refection to Prepare our Hearts for Worship**

God of Hope, amid all the concerns in the world around us, we turn to your Word. Send your Holy Spirit to still our thoughts and speak your wisdom to us. Fill our souls with the loving action of Jesus Christ, your Living Word. Amen.

Welcome & Announcements Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session

#### We Enter into God's Presence

## Responsive Call to Worship Mary Fleming

One: We come as guests invited to a table;

All: We come to celebrate with friends and neighbors.

One: Jesus Christ, our Friend, and Savior, invites us to gather:

All: We gather with his friends around the world.

One: Come and worship with hearts full of God's praise and promise.

All: We worship God in gladness, for God's faithfulness endures forever.

### Hymn #555 Worship the Lord

### Prayer of Adoration (Unison)

Gracious and Generous God.

you spread a banquet table and make room for all to come: friend and foe, healed and sick, hopeful, and hopeless. You feed our desires with goodness and fill our longing with steadfast love. We worship you with grateful praise, together with all your people, here and everywhere, who break bread at your table and who share the cup. We celebrate our life together in Christ and offer our love and loyalty to you, O God, Source of all goodness, through Jesus Christ, who shares the deepest part of our souls, and your Holy Spirit who prays within us.

## **Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

God of mercy and mystery,

When you invite us to your table, you ask us to come with clean hands and open hearts. You ask us to come in peace, seeking reconciliation with you and with each other. In this silence, we hand over to you the broken relationships, disagreements, and disappointments that keep us from living in your peace. Free us from the burdens we carry which we share in this silence. so that we may be a source of peace in this troubled world as We pray in the strong name of Jesus ... Our Father...

### The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

#### **Assurance of Pardon** (Unison)

Hear and believe this good news! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven. Have the courage to forgive one another, and be at peace with God, with your neighbor and with yourself.

## Family Hymn #453 Oh Sing To Our God

<u>Family Time & Kids Church</u> The Pentecost Story and Song - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1bTgjEVKXaY</u>

### **Choir Anthem My Lord What A Morning**

<u>Scripture Reading</u> Psalm 104:31-34 (Responsive) Marlene Lambie

One: May the glory of the Lord endure forever.

All: may the Lord rejoice in his works.

One: who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the

mountains and they smoke.

All: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

One: May my meditation be pleasing to him,

All: for I rejoice in the Lord.

**The New Testament Passage** Acts 2:1-21

This is the Word of God

**Thanks Be to God** 

Message "Where is the wind and the fire?" By Rev Tom

Hymn 400 Spirit of the Living God

**<u>Prayers of the People</u>** Marlene Lambie

## Offering Invitation

Around this table we celebrate God's generosity to us in Christ and in creation. We present our offering in gratitude for all God has given. Your offering will now be received.

### **Doxology**

### **Prayer over the gifts**

God, you are the giver of every good and perfect gift. Our gifts may not be perfect, bless them with your Holy Spirit to spread your goodness in the world, for the sake of Christ, our living Lord.

#### **Communion Service**

### Hymn # 538 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

#### Invitation

Jesus invites us to this table and now we do as Jesus did. We take this bread and this wine, ordinary things of the world. In these, Jesus has promised to be present. Through this bread and wine Christ can make us whole. Come all of you this is the joyful feast of the people of God.

As Jesus offered thanks for the gifts of the earth, let us also bless God with great thanksgiving.

## **The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

One: Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three,

You are source of all that exists. You are beyond the galaxies, deeper than the oceans. You pour down rain and bring forth the fruit of the earth. You carry us through deep waters and hold us in the darkest night. So, with all your creatures, great and small, with angels and archangels, with saints and servants in every generation we join in the rejoicing of your creation:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: Holy is your Son Jesus, O God,

Walking this earth, feeding the hungry, calling the lost, noticing the forgotten, healing those who reached out, teaching those who sought wisdom, he revealed your kingdom in our midst. Today we thank you for all Jesus shared with us to show us that you are always with us in times of plenty and times of pain. And so, we celebrate the mystery of our faith in him:

### All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

One: Holy God,

When the sounds of our rejoicing fall silent, we remember those who cannot rejoice today, who face times of pain or fear or upheaval. We think especially of those whose countries have been overwhelmed by earthquake, flood, and storm, by conflict, drought, or famine. Draw near to them in the power of the Spirit to strengthen and sustain them through Christ's compassion and ours. Holy Spirit, come now and settle on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. May they become for us Christ's body and life blood, healing, forgiving, and for making us whole. So may we become Christ's body, the Church, loving and caring throughout the whole world until that day when all creation feasts with you in the fullness of your mercy and peace in the name of Jesus **Amen**.

## The Story of the Last Supper

The Lord Jesus on the night he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks for it, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

As the bread is broken and cup lifted: This is the body of Christ broken for you. This cup is the blood of Christ shed for you.

After the elements are shared and returned to the table

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Loving God, Christ our Lord, Holy Spirit,

you have nourished us, body, and soul, in this meal. We have heard your love, so send us out to speak it. We have seen your love, so send us out to show it. We have been fed by your love, so send us out to share it. And let all things be done for your glory. **Amen**.

**The Sharing of the Peace:** May the Peace of Christ be with you.

# Hymn #497 Word Of God Across The Ages

#### **Commission and Benediction**

Go from here to serve God, with your strength renewed and your faith reassured, for you are part of Christ's body embracing the world in his name.

And may that God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen** 

## May The God Of Hope (2xs)

### **Congregational Event & Announcements**

Mon June 9 – Let's Do Lunch Phone in 9-12 pm

<u>Mon June 9</u> – WW/WMS – 1:30 pm

Mon June 9 – Finance & Maintenance 7 pm

**Tues June 10** – Friendship Tea at Sara Vista

Thurs June 12 – Let's Do Lunch 12-1 pm

Thurs June 12 - Choir at 7 pm

May 11 – June 15 - Mother's Day to Father's Day – Baby Bottle Campaign for Compassion Place. Please pick up a baby bottle for your donation, or donate directly ~ Information on posters.

**Bible Study** "The Key to Personal Peace" by Billy Graham will begin on Tues. June 3 at 2 p.m. The book will cost \$5. See Elizabeth or Rev Tom to sign up or to purchase your book.

<u>Willing Workers/WMS</u> collecting used (cancelled) postal stamps. Either collect the envelope with the cancelled stamp intact or remove the stamp from envelope leaving a 1/4 inch of paper around the stamp. Used to fundraise and support Christian Salvage Mission bringing Christian literature to the world.

Food Bank Needs: canned mixed vegetables, canned peas, canned potatoes and jams.

**Sermon Notes** 



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