Elmvale Presbyterian Church





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

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

Service: Sunday August 10, 2025



Welcome to our Guest Preacher Angela Kirton.

Minister Rev. Tom Mason MDiv

Please stand, if able, for the entry of the Bible

MOMENT OF QUIET REFELECTION BEFORE WORSHIP

God of wisdom, open our minds to your truth, our hearts to your love, and our hands to do your will as we listen to the Scriptures. With your Holy Spirit, equip us to follow Jesus, who is your Living Word. **Amen.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Janet Beech

One: To you, O God, we lift our hearts.

All: Listen to our voices and answer.

One: The Lord is good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love.

All: God does wondrous things with grace and mercy.

One: So let us glorify God's holy name together! **All: We come to worship God in love and loyalty.**

HYMN: #655 Give Me Oil In My Lamp

PRAYERS OF APPROACH, CONFESSION, & LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF ADORATION (unison)

God of grace,

you created our minds to grow in wisdom.

You created our hearts to expand with love for you and your world. You created our voices to sing your praises forever.

Fill us to overflowing with your Holy Spirit,

that we may worship you in spirit and in truth,

bold and unafraid to follow Jesus, even when challenges confront us. In this time of worship, assure us of your presence with us and reveal to us the path you open before us,

for we live to serve as your people wherever you lead.

Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God who creates the future,

you call us to follow you, yet we prefer familiar paths.

You offer us new beginnings, yet change makes us uncomfortable. You invite us into the fullness of life,

yet we resist more than we already know.

Forgive us, O God, and make of us courageous disciples ready to serve in Jesus' name, 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 trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us, 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)

In Christ, we are a new creation; the old life is gone and the new life has come! Trust that God loves you and forgives you. Do not be afraid to make a new start!

FAMILY HYMN: #382 Spirit Of God, Descend Upon My Heart

FAMILY TIME: Video: PSALM 82 | Warriors of Justice

(youtube.com)

Choir Anthem

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD Isabel Savage

SCRIPTURE Old Testament Reading: Psalm 82:1-8

The Gospel Reading: Luke 10:25-37

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **The People: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE: "Do we Need a Lawyer?" By Rev Tom

HYMN: #592 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE. Janet Beech

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Around us the gifts of God's good earth appear in fields and gardens, speaking of God's goodness to us. Our gifts also speak of God's goodness as we offer our gratitude for all we have received in Christ and in creation.

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 you our gifts in thanksgiving. Pour out your Spirit upon them and upon us. May the gifts we offer bear the fruit of your Spirit in every life we touch in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

HYMN #571 Lord, I Want To Be A Christian GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION & BLESSING

Go in faithfulness, ready to serve God, trusting that God counts your life as precious. And may God bless you and keep you, may God's face shine upon you, and may God grant you grace and peace now and evermore.

May The God Of Hope

Church Announcements and Events

Mon & Wed - VON Smart Exercise Program 9-10 am

Mon Aug 11 – Let's Do Lunch phone in 9-12 pm

Wed Aug 13 – Quilting 1pm

Thurs Aug 14 – Let's Do Lunch 12-1 pm

Thurs Aug 14 – Choir 7pm

<u>Sun Nov 2 – 165th Anniversary Sunday!</u> Join the sub-committee for special church projects in honour of this momentous occasion. If interested, let your elder know.

<u>Prayers</u> – Sharon Crozier, Bruce and Carolyn Ritchie and Myrtle Jamieson

Condolences - to the family of Casey and Kinsey Lamoreux

Recycle - Return any used copies of the Daily Devotional booklets to the church for International Missions

Recipe book – Recipes were due Sun July 27! Please get them in to Sue Montgomery or Marlene Lambie.

<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.

Monetary Donations auto-deposit: donatetoepc@rogers.com Please comment where to direct the donation; 1) General 2) Presbyterian Sharing 3) PWS&D 4) other missions such as - Food Bank, We Care etc.

<u>Food Bank Needs</u>: canned peas, canned cream corn, hamburger helper, cream chicken soup, dish soap, shampoo and drinking boxes.