# ELMVALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 22 Queen St. E. Elmvale, ON LOL 1P0

# The Presbyterian Church in Canada



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



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

Service Date: Sunday August 3, 2025

**Minister: Rev Tom Mason** 

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

# WE PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF QUIET REFELECTION TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

Source of all wisdom, in the midst of all our distractions, help focus our attention on you. In the midst of competing voices, attune our ears to your Word, for we seek bread for our journey through Jesus Christ, the Bread of life. **Amen** 

# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive) Sylvia Tollar

One: Bless the Lord with heart and soul, for God is great.

All: We will bless God in this time of worship!

One: God sends forth the Spirit to renew the face of the ground.

All: God, renew us in this time of worship!

One: Let us sing praise to God as long as we live.

All: We will sing to our God while we have breath, and so we come to worship.

#### **HYMN #625 Seek Ye First**

#### PRAYERS OF ADORATION, CONFESSION, & LORD'S PRAYER

#### **PRAYER OF ADORATION** (unison)

God of majesty and mystery,

You are the source of all that is.

Your breadth and depth are beyond our imagining.

Your grace defies our explanations.

You touch us with comfort or challenge when we least expect it.

Receive our prayer and praise this day,

as we seek the Bread of Life in this hour of worship.

We come to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, while your Holy Spirit prays within us and lifts our hearts to you.

#### Amen.

# **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

God of mystery and mercy,

you know the details of each of our lives.

You see the sin and the sorrow we bear.

You see how we take advantage of each other,

and how we overlook one another.

We confess we do not always see what you see, O God,

so open our eyes to the truth of our lives,

and cleanse our hearts with your grace.

May we live with you and with each other in reconciling grace through the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray...

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (unison)

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)

Rest assured, God offers forgiveness and saving grace to everyone. Accept these gifts for yourselves and offer forgiveness to others in the name of Christ our Lord.

FAMILY HYMN #344 The Wise May Bring Their Learning

**FAMILY TIME & Kids Church** "Gifts"

**CHOIR ANTHEM Just A Little Talk With Jesus** 

#### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE Psalm 49: 7-11 Sylvia Tollar

One: Truly no ransom avails for one's life; There is no price one can give to God for it.

All: For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice that one should live on forever and never see the grave.

One: Consider the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

All: Their graves are their homes forever. Their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.

The Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 12-14; 2:18-23

The Gospel Reading: Luke 12:13-21

Leader: This is the Word of God. All: Thanks be to God.

**MESSAGE** <u>"This is ..."</u> By Rev Tom.

HYMN #637 Take My Life And Let It Be Consecrated

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Janice Terry

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING** 

The Letter to the Ephesians challenges us to lead a life worthy of the calling we have in Christ Jesus. We offer our gifts to God to support the calling we share to build up the body of Christ in the world God loves.

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**

Good and generous God, bless the gifts we offer you this day, as well as our efforts to serve others in Jesus' name. Use what we have and what we do to support the work of the Church here and around the world. **Amen.** 

### **HYMN #461 Be Thou My Vision**

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

#### **BENEDICTION & BLESSING**

Go in gratitude, relying on the presence of Christ as bread for your journey. And may the God who made us, The Christ who mends us, And the Spirit who gives us life, bless you with peace and purpose each and every day. **Amen** 

## May the God of Hope (2xs)

### Peace be with you All

### **Church Announcements and Events**

**Mon Aug 4** – VON Smart Exercise Program **CANCELLED** (Civic Holiday)

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

Wed Aug 6 - Quilting 1pm

Thurs Aug 7 - Choir 7pm

<u>Sun Nov 2 – 165<sup>th</sup> 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

**<u>Recycle</u>** - 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.