

ELMVALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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 for 165 Years."

***A warm welcome to any members of our armed forces,
newcomers or to those returning
to our Church.***



**Service: Remembrance Day Service
Sunday November 9, 2025**



Minister: Rev. Thomas S. Mason M.Div

Please stand for the entry of the Bible if you are able.

**We gather in silence as we prepare our hearts and minds to
Remember Them.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble.
(Psalm 46:1)

I lift up my eyes to the hills – from whence will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 121:1-2)

This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning. (Lamentations 3:21-23)

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary they shall walk and not faint. (Isaiah 40:31)

Welcome and Announcement Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Sylvia Tollar

One: We meet in the presence of God

All: We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

One: We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

All: We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

The National Anthem: Oh Canada

REMEMBERING

"In Flanders Fields." By John McCrae

Elder 1: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

Elder 2: At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

All affirm: We will remember them.

THE LAST POST

The Flags are lowered.

Two minutes of Silence.

Names of Elmvale Presbyterian Fallen, read by Angela Kirton.

REVEILER

The Flags are raised.

THE PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

Ever-living God we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Poem By Mr. John Latimer

Family Time & Kid's Church

Choir Anthem Let There Be Peace On Earth

LISTENING FOR THE WORD FROM GOD

John 14:27 (unison) Sylvia Tollar

Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

John 15:9-15

⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love.

¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love.

¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command.

¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends,

for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other.

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

MESSAGE “The Bomber” By Rev Tom

Hymn #330 O God, Our Help In Ages Past

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Sarah Covey

Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that God may give us peace: for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war, each one remembered by and known to God;

May God give peace for those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief and the sadness of our loss;

May God give peace God give peace for all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return;

May God give peace God give peace for civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war or terror, calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity;

May God give peace God give peace for peace-makers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free;

May God give peace God give peace for all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious; asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace. May God give peace God give peace O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know. Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.

As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever.

As we 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. **Amen**

RESPONDING IN HOPE AND COMMITMENT

We Invite the Congregation to come forward and place their Poppies on the alter. Wreaths may also be placed.

OUR ACT OF COMMITMENT AND HOPE FOR PEACE IN OUR WORLD

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.
One: Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: We will

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: We will

One: Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: We will

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love:

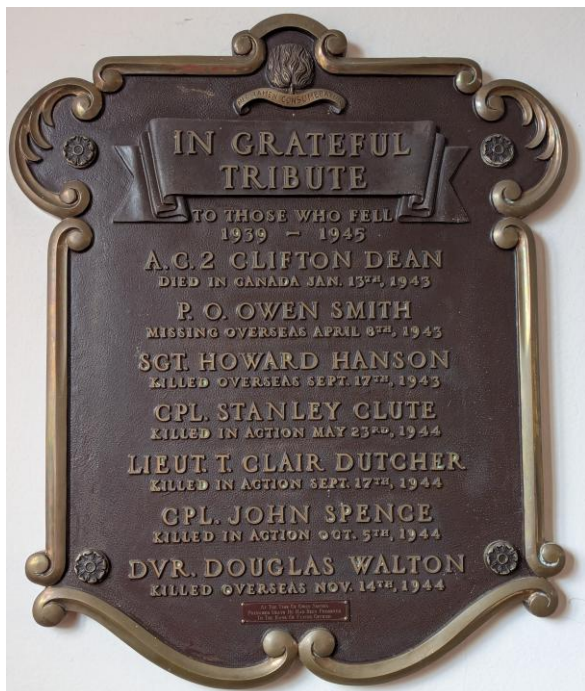
May we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, And live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer. **Amen**

Hymn #740 Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

BENEDICTION

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the King, the Church, to our Country and to all people, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you all and remain with you always. **Amen**

My God's Blessings Surround You Each Day



In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

- Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae