

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 newcomers or to those returning to our Church.

Service Date: Sunday November 23, 2025



CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY



Minister: Rev Tom Mason

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

**WE PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF QUIET REFLECTION TO
PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP**

In the Psalms we hear the word of God: Be still and know that I am God...

We are reminded: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge...

We know pause in a silent moment of stillness, in the presence of God, as we wait and listen for the Word of God for us today.

Amen

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Janice Terry

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

All: We will lift up joyous songs and sing your praises.

One: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it rejoice.

All: Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord,

One: For God will come to judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

All: Let us join with all creation to praise the Lord! Let us worship God.

HYMN #290 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

PRAYERS OF ADORATION, CONFESSION, & LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF ADORATION (unison)

For the grace and love found in our faith through Jesus Christ, the image of the invisible God, we give You thanks, dear Lord.

In Him we know You in Your fullness, as our loving and compassionate saviour, as creator of all, as the reconciler of things which are far apart, broken and ruptured.

Thank You for Jesus' message of hope, For His steadfast living out of all You stand for. For His Holy Spirit, which draws us into new communities of compassion, care and healing.

We thank You for human companionship, which builds up and restores the soul. We thank You for the people around us who show us the way of the kingdom of God. We thank you for the random kindness of strangers which turns the ordinary into moments of joy and meaning. In all things we give you the honor and the glory, as we say in the strong name of Jesus. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Living God,
in the stillness of Your presence we know ourselves in new ways. We see more clearly where we have chosen the way of the world rather than the way of Christ. We have compromised when we should have stood firm, and judged others by standards to which we rarely hold ourselves. We have been quick to anger and slow to love. We have not lived as people who know the kingdom of God is among them. Loving God, You have given us confidence to turn back to You as forgiven people, through the life, teaching, death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus.
Like prodigal children we are ready to begin again and like the loving parent in the story Jesus told,
You are watching for us to return, ready to take us into Your arms. In the stillness of Your presence may we know ourselves in new ways, as being loved, accepted and forgiven,
as we pray together the words that Jesus taught us...

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)

Friends, hear the good news! While the world judges in order to condemn, God judges with justice, equity and mercy. All things have been made new in Christ and our sin is forgiven. Thanks be to God that we can all make a new start. **Amen**

FAMILY HYMN #376 Lord the Light Of Your Love Is Shining

FAMILY TIME & Kids Church Wise Instructions – A

Teaching from Proverbs 1:1-4

1 Proverbs of Solomon, son of David, king of Israel:

2 to know wisdom and instruction; to discern the words of understanding;

3 to receive the instruction of wisdom, righteousness and judgment, and equity;

4 to give prudence to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

CHOIR ANTHEM "Jesus, Sweet Rose of Sharon"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 46:1-7 (Responsive) Marlene Lambie

One: ¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

All: ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

One: ³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

All: ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

One: ⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

All: ⁶ The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

One: ⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us;

All: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Gospel Reading: Luke 23:33-43

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

MESSAGE: "What Kind of King do You Want?" By Rev Tom

HYMN #252 He Is Lord (2X's)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Isabel Savage

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Each week we pray for the coming of God's Kingdom. Though we do not know exactly what this will look like, we offer our gifts to God for the work of the Kingdom here and now.

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 all things, source of all blessings; accept the gifts of our hands, the thankfulness of our hearts, the praise of our worship and the bounty of our lives. We pray that this offering will be used for the building up of your kingdom of justice, peace, love and reconciliation and that you bless us and our offerings to be a blessing. **Amen.**

HYMN #274 Crown Him With Many Crowns

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION & BLESSING

Go now in the power of the Holy Spirit, Let grace, mercy, and peace be with us in truth and love from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, Son of the Father! (2 John 1:3)

Amen

May God's Blessings Surround You Each Day

May God's blessings surround you each day

As you trust Him and walk in His way

May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,

Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

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Calling all knitters! – The WW/WMS group has been asked to create many IZZY Dolls for Dr. Cole to take with him on his dental mission trip to Africa in the New Year. Craft Group has lots of wool and a pattern available.

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

Willing Workers/WMS 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.

Food Bank Needs: cake mixes, cookies, canned vegetables (gr/yellow beans, creamed corn, peas & tomatoes), canned kidney beans, chunky soup, hamburger helper, canned fruit, toilet paper, jam, peanut butter, pancake mix, & small cans of tomato juice.

Lest we forget

We ask you to hold in your hearts and pray for anyone who may be sick, for those feeling lost or lonely and for those who need the healing and encouraging presence of Jesus Christ in their lives at this time.

We pray for peace throughout our troubled world, for the people of Gaza, Israel and the Ukraine.

We pray for our Church and Presbytery, and for all peoples of Faith, to be guided by the Spirit of Wisdom. Truth, Love and Peace that brings tolerance, understanding and compassion to All.

Peace be with you all.