

# 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."*

*This year, Elmvale Presbyterian celebrates 165 Years of Christian Witness.*

# Jesus' High Priestly Prayer

..I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours..

John  
17:9



**Service: Sunday May 17, 2026**

**Minister: Rev. Tom Mason M.DIV**

***A Warm Welcome to any Newcomers. Please come and join us for Coffee after our Service.***

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

### **Prayer before Worship**

God of Wisdom, send your Holy Spirit to give us fresh understanding of your Word in Scripture. Inspire us to respond with renewed commitment through our prayer to follow Christ Jesus, your Living Word. **Amen**

**Welcome & Announcements Marlene Lambie, Clerk of  
Session**

**Call to Worship (Responsive)** Angela & Isabella Kirton

One: Let us be joyful before God!

**All: We will sing praises to God's holy name.**

One: Let us lift up a song to the One who rides upon the clouds,

**All: who protects orphans and widows and gives the desolate a home.**

One: Sing to God, all nations of the earth.

**All: We will sing praises to the Lord, our God!**

**Hymn #496 Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet**

**Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Lord's**

**Prayer (Unison)**

O Lord, How we adore thee.

How we marvel at the depth of your love.

How we wonder at the waves of your grace.

How we are astounded by the blessings of your world.

We are in awe of the vastness of the universe.

We are so privileged to be called your children.

We are accepted and forgiven and embraced.

You are almighty, above and beyond everything.

You are victorious over darkness of the night, sin and death are

under your feet. You are holy, beautiful and full of love and in you

Father, Son and Holy Spirit we place our trust. **Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Merciful and forgiving God,

I am sorry when I get so carried away with the busyness of each day that I forget to dwell in your love.

I am sorry when I allow the stresses and demands of work or family to erode and wear away my hope.

I am sorry when I get caught up in conflict and frustration, when I harbour resentments, instead of being willing to love and to

forgive. I am sorry when I feel un-fulfilled with the blessings that you have given unto me.

I am sorry when I desire the wrong things, blinded by the media, and when I forget to engage with the real treasures of love and justice that I find in you.

God of grace you are all love, all hope, all forgiveness, all truth and all I really need, as I pray the prayer that Jesus taught me ...

### **The Lords Prayer**

***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***

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn us? Only Christ – and Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new by God's generous grace. **Amen.**

### **Family Hymn Bless The Lord O My Soul**

### **Family Time & Kids Church**

### **Choir Anthem Psalm Of Quietness**

**Scripture Psalm 5:1-3 (Responsive)** Angela & Isabella Kirton

One: Give ear to my words. O LORD: give heed to my sighing.

**All: Listen to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you I pray.**

One: O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice:

**All: in the morning I plead my case to you, and watch.**

### **The Gospel Reading John 17:1-19**

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

**Message “The Three P’s of Ministry” – Part 1 with Rev Tom**

**Hymn # #746 What A Friend We Have In Jesus**

**The Prayers of the People Angela Kirton**

**Invitation to the offering.**

This Sunday brings the season of Easter to a close. Yet we will continue to receive the blessings God pours out for us in Christ and in creation, for God is so good to us. We offer to God our thanks for such goodness in our tithes and offering.

**Doxology**

**Offertory Prayer**

Eternal and ever-present God, we offer you these gifts in thanksgiving for the work of Christ in our lives. Bless them and us with the power of the Spirit, enlisting all our gifts for the work of reconciliation Christ has given us to do in the world you love

**Amen.**

**HYMN #267 Rejoice, The Lord Is King**

**GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD**

**BENEDICTION & BLESSING**

Go now as witnesses to our Lord Jesus, risen and ascended, and bear his love and mercy wherever you go.

Trust that the Holy Spirit is your companion. And may the God of our Lord Jesus Christ give you a spirit of wisdom and fill you with the hope to which you are called as God’s beloved. **Amen**

**Go Now In Peace**

***Peace be with you all.***

**Congregational Happenings and Events**

**Wed May 20 –Quilting 1pm**

**Wed May 20 –Session 7pm**

**Thurs May 21 - Choir 7 pm**

**Sun May 24 – Pentecost Sunday & Youth Flower Planting**

**WW/ WMS and Compassion Place have joined together in sponsoring a baby bottle campaign running from May 10th to June 21st. Please put your spare change or bills into the baby bottle or donate online.**

**The Women's Missionary Society, Barrie Presbyterial will hold their Annual General Meeting on Sat. May 23 at Jubilee Presbyterian Church, Stayner. Fellowship at 9:30 a.m. with meeting to commence at 10:00 a.m. Lunch to follow. Guest speaker, Katherine Allen.**

**VBS Meeting: Monday, May 25 @ 7pm. This is our year to do VBS in Aug (Aug 10-14). It requires many people to put this on: adult leaders for the various Stations, for Decorating and helping in other ways. Come and see how you might be able to help out.**

**May 30 – Rev John Borthwick will be at Wasaga Beach Community Presbyterian Church speaking on: A Conversation On Congregational Renewal. RSVP by May 25<sup>th</sup>. See poster by side door.**

**June 6 - Barrie Presbytery Workshop at EPC – See insert**

**Bible Study - We are looking at a Bible Study focusing on Ecclesiastes. Time and dates are not set yet. Let Rev. Tom or Elizabeth know of your interest.**

**We are hosting the Rainforest Falls VBS Aug 10-14 from 9-noon. It is open to all children - JK through to Gr. 5. Let all your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews know about it. Registration forms are here at the church and Public Library. We need Youth leaders who will be entering Gr 6 and up and Adult leaders who can help out with programming and decorating. Contact Elizabeth if you can help in any way.**

**W&N** – Looking for helpers for the nursery as needed.

**Barrie Presbytery** If you are interested in helping a child go to camp, please let Janice Terry or Rev. Tom know. More information coming soon.

**Monetary Donations** auto-deposit: [donatetoepc@rogers.com](mailto: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:** Pancake syrup, Hamburg helper, Pudding Mixes, Canned Vegetables – mixed, cream corn, peas, beans, Canned Potatoes, Canned Fruit & Deodorant

**Fire Safety** – Please make sure all the doors to rooms are closed when you are leaving the church

**Dollie Moulden's Library** – Dollie's collection of books have been gifted to the church. On display downstairs are her recipe books, please help yourself.

**Peace Be With You All**



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