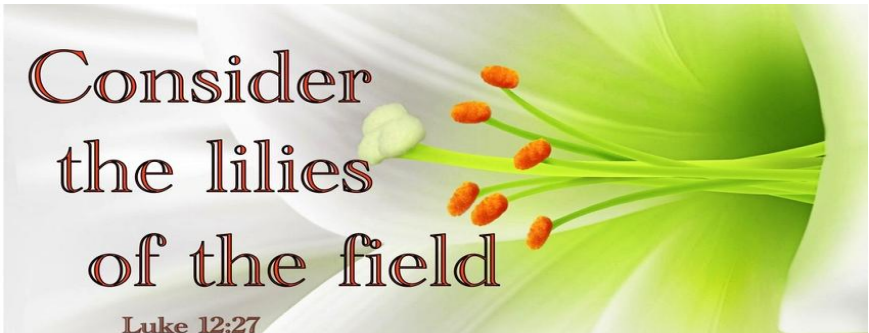


Elmvale Presbyterian Church



Worship Service Sunday July 19, 2026 at Heritage Park



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Minister Rev Tom Mason**



The Presbyterian Church in Canada

Welcome & Announcements Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session

**We Enter into God's Presence
Responsive Call to Worship**

Elder 1: This is the day that the Lord has made,

Elder 2: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Elder 1 1: The heavens declare the glory of God.

Elder 2: not in words but in the glory of our surroundings, in our community, in our families and all around us, Almighty God, made it all.

All: Let us praise and give thanks to God.

Hymn #706 Come Let Us Sing

Prayer of Adoration (Unison)

God our Maker,
in summer we marvel at the world you have made,
the colours of sunrise and sunset filling the horizon,
the intricate beauty of flower gardens and natural parks,
the quiet dignity of a river in its course, the depth of the great lakes and the power of the wind and the waves.
You show us how each small piece of your creation fits together to form a song of perfect harmony, in which we all sing.
God our Maker, we join all creation to bring you praise,
honouring you and the relationships you have set between us all,
through Christ, firstborn of all creation. **Amen**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God our Maker,
though we marvel at your creation,
we confess we often take it for granted.
We prefer to live as if our lifestyles make no impact on the earth.
We resist reports that tell us otherwise.
We confess we don't really want to change.
Yet we wonder if the way we live pleases you.
Forgive us for any harm we cause the earth.
Teach us how to live with love and respect for you and your whole creation. Open our hearts to anyone in need, and help us to trust in your mercy – for them and for us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray... Our Father...

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, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen

Assurance of Pardon (Unison)

Therefore since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. **Amen.** (Romans 5:1-2)

Family Hymn #373 Jesus Loves Me

Scripture

The Gospel Reading Luke 12: 22-30

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

Message: "Consider the Lillies of the Field"

The Prayers of the People (Responsive)

Invitation to the Offering

Freely, freely you give to us your love and grace, let us give thanks to God and give back to God, the things that come from God, to help and care for others.

Offertory Prayer

Faithful God, we bring our gifts with trusting hearts, seeking your blessing on the ministries these gifts support. Work through these our gifts to touch the world with your healing grace and love through Jesus Christ, in whose name we offer ourselves to you.

Amen.

Hymn #324 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Benediction

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

Peace be with you All.

Congregational Happenings and Events

Wed July 22 –Quilting 1pm

Thurs July 23 - Choir 7pm

Sun July 26 – Birthday Cake Sunday

EPC is hosting the Rainforest Falls VBS Aug 10-14 from 9-noon - JK through to Gr. 5. Registration forms at the church and Public Library. Youth leaders- Gr 6 and up and Adult leaders needed for programming and decorating. Contact Elizabeth if you can help.

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

**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 canned pasta, canned vegetables (peas, beans, creamed corn, potatoes), hamburger helper, snack crackers, shampoo, deodorant, & dish soap.

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 has been gifted to the church, please help yourself.



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After each petition, when I say, "*Lord, teach us to consider the lilies,*" please respond together with: **"And rest in Your care."**

Leader: Gracious God, Creator of the fields and the sky, we come before You today under the canopy of Your creation. Jesus invited us to "consider the lilies"—to look closely at how You clothe the grass of the field with beauty, without them labouring or spinning. As we look around us today, we bring our prayers to You, asking for the grace to rest in Your perfect care.

Leader: Lord, we pray for Your Church throughout the world. Forgive us for the times we treat Your work as a matter of heavy labouring and anxious spinning. Help us to grow where we are planted, to absorb the rain of Your grace, and to face the light of Your truth. May our lives reflect Your beauty to a world that desperately needs it. Leader: *Lord, teach us to consider the lilies...*

People: And rest in Your care.

Leader: We pray for our world and its leaders. In a culture driven by striving, anxiety, and the constant rush to prove our worth, we pray for peace. Bring an end to the storms of war, division, and injustice. Just as You sustain the earth season after season, we ask You to bring a season of renewal, quietness, and healing to our communities. Leader: *Lord, teach us to consider the lilies...*

People: And rest in Your care.

Leader: We pray for those in our community who are walking through a season of harsh winter. For those who are sick, those who are grieving, and those who are overwhelmed by financial or emotional burdens. Lord, you know the exact weight of our anxieties. Remind those who are suffering today that if You hold the wildflowers in Your hands, You hold them even closer. Provide for their needs and quiet their fears. Leader: *Lord, teach us to consider the lilies...*

People: And rest in Your care.

Leader: Finally, Lord, we pray for ourselves. We confess that we often carry heavy bags of worry that we were never meant to bear. As we feel the breeze today and look at the green earth, help us to drop our heavy burdens. Teach us the holy art of stillness. Remind us that our value does not come from what we achieve, but from whose we are.

(Take a brief moment of silence to bring your personal worries to God.)

Leader: *Lord, teach us to consider the lilies...*

People: And rest in Your care.

Leader: Gathering all our prayers into one, we thank You that we are safe in Your hands, more valuable to You than the finest splendour of the field. We pray all of these things in the name of Jesus, who walks with us in every season.

All: Amen.