

Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Acts 8:26-40** (pgs. 1177-r, 1064-w, 892-NRSV)

Responsive Psalm: **22:22-31** (Refrain I)

*Gloria Patri Hymn

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*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen*

Scripture Readings: **1John 4:7-21** (pgs.1316-r, 1185-w, 991-NRSV)
John 15:1-8 (pgs. 1158-r, 1046-w, 878-NRSV)

M: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,
P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Sermon

We Respond in Faith and Service

*Hymn: **We have this ministry**

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Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

M: Lord, in your mercy

P: Hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

Offering of our Gifts in Response

Solo Offertory: Thou Art God

Lionel Bourne

Soloist: Kathy Pearson

*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow

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*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn: **Love divine, all loves excelling**

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*Commissioning and Benediction

*Choral Amen (congregation)

Organ Postlude: Finale

Michael Higgins

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Welcome Visitors! - Thank you for worshipping with us today, at Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church. You have enriched our community and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. **Please join us in Fleck Hall after the worship service for Coffee Hour.** You may wish to visit us on the web at www.elmwoodchurch.ca to learn more about us and what opportunities are available for personal spiritual growth and service to others. If you are not an involved member of a faith community, but seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday for worship and fellowship.

If you would like to speak to the minister, or have him visit, you are very welcome to be in touch with him. Please contact the church office 519-438-3492.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

 **Supervised Play Area** for children aged 0 – 7 yrs. during the worship service. An usher can direct you there.

 **Fundraiser For Organ Repair - Buy a Key or a Stop!** – \$20.00 for a key, \$50.00 for a stop or any amount is gratefully received. To date, \$4,815 has been raised to help offset the cost of the recent repairs! Thank you! The fundraising campaign will continue until the end of May.

 **Elmwood Ladies Fellowship meeting Tuesday, May 1st at 2:00 p.m.** Guest Speaker: Lisa Joworski, a therapeutic recreation specialist, works with the geriatrics department at London Health Science Centre. She will be speaking about her work with the elderly with memory issues and how she helps them live life to the fullest. All ladies welcome. Please remember Rotholme.

 **Village Opera is Presenting** the operetta “*The Telephone*” by Menotti, and the play “*A Village Wooing*” by Shaw on **Saturday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m.** and **Sunday, May 13th at 2:00 p.m.** here at Elmwood. The cast is: Katy Clark – soprano, Paul Grambo – baritone, Denise Jung – piano, and Adam Holowitz is directing. Tickets are available following the worship service today from Don or Lorraine Clark or contact the church office. Tuckey's Home Hardware and Attic Books are also selling tickets. The cost is \$25.00 for adults, and \$15.00 for students/children. On May 13th which is Mother's Day, Moms pay only \$10.00 if they are accompanied by their children.

 **Listen Again:** You can hear recordings of the latest sermons on our website. Visit www.elmwoodchurch.ca/media

K **All Ages Craft Retreat - May 11 - May 13.** This weekend is a perfect weekend for families to spend together, or for anyone who loves to craft! We welcome all crafters so bring your craft of choice and spend some time at a place that's sure to inspire.

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N **Kintail's 2018 Wish List** is posted on the bulletin board across from the church office.

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A **Registration is Open:** Go to www.campkintail.ca

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L **Canadian Tire Money** is now being collected in an effort to help out with supplies needed for *Camp Kintail*. A donation box has been placed in Fleck Hall.

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The flowers in the sanctuary this morning have been placed by Sharon & Des Perry to the glory of God and in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.