

## Dates To Remember

Jan. 22	Dream Group – 4:00 p.m. (Campbell Room)
25	TG;IF – 5:15 – 6:45 p.m. Dinner 5:30ish
Feb. 10	Holy Communion
	Annual Meeting - following worship
13	Session – 7:30 p.m. (Fleck Hall)
18	Family Day – church office is closed

**NOTE:** Some of these dates and times are subject to change.

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**Serving vulnerable people in Romania** - Life is difficult in Romania. The monthly salary of a school teacher is the equivalent of about \$250 USD, so many people feel forced to leave in search of work in other EU countries. This economic migration is creating new challenges for the Romanian society. There are over 300,000 migration orphans and a growing number of elderly people who are left behind. The good news is that they are not left alone. Since 2011, Diakonia Christian Foundation for Social Work of the Reformed Church in Romania has been reaching out to Roma children, people living with disabilities, and the elderly. In 2017, the foundation's social workers and volunteers made over 8,200 visits to the elderly, providing services such as helping with personal hygiene, cleaning and providing medical care or devices. Your gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* are helping to accompany and care for vulnerable people in Romania. *Presbyterians Sharing cares for vulnerable people*

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Information concerning the various groups within the congregation may be obtained by calling the church office.

*Bible Study \* Board of Managers \* Centering Prayer  
Choir \* Christian Education \* Dream Group  
Elmwood Ladies Fellowship \* Library Committee  
Men's Fellowship \* Mission \* Pastoral Care \* Quilters  
Session \* Stewardship and Outreach \* Work & Worship*

## OUR PURPOSE

Our mission as a congregation, with the Holy Spirit as our guide, is to share the good news of Jesus Christ in the world, and to fulfill our responsibilities to God and our neighbours.

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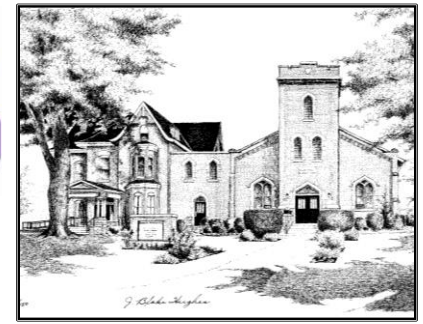
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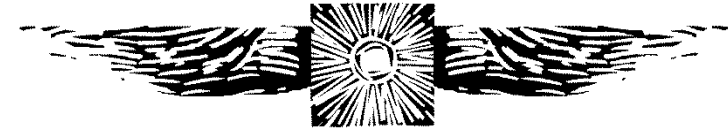
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**Sunday, January 20, 2019**



*Second Sunday After The Epiphany*

Minister: Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton

Director of Music: Lorraine Clark, A. Mus., B.Mus., B.Ed.

Organist Emeritus: Bert Van der Hoek, ARCCO

*If able, please stand where indicated with an \* asterisk.*

Organ Prelude: Hymn

*Douglas E. Wagner*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

## We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

\*Congregational Introit: Holy, holy, holy (verse 1)

# 299

\*Call to Worship

\*Hymn: **Immortal, Invisible, God only wise**

# 290

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

M: Lord, have mercy upon us

**P: Christ, have mercy upon us**

M: Lord, have mercy upon us

Prayer for the Day

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

M: The Peace of Christ be with you all

**P: And also with you**

Children's Time

\*Hymn: **Like the murmur of a dove's song**

# 385

Choir Anthem: Oh Sing to the Lord a New Song

*John Leavitt*

## Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **Isaiah 62:1-5** (pgs. 802-r, 725-w, 604-NRSV)

Responsive Psalm: **36** (Refrain I)

**\*Gloria Patri Hymn**

# 594

*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: **1 Corinthians 12:1-11** (pgs. 1231-r, 1113-w, 933-NRSV)

**St. John 2:1-11** (pgs. 1139-r, 1028-w, 863-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: **All praise to you, O Lord**

# 181

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

Organ Offertory: Interlude No. 2

*Denis Bedard*

\*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow

# 830

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: **Glory be to God the Father**

# 298

\*Commissioning and Benediction

\*Choral Amen (congregation)

Organ Postlude: Trumpet Tune

*Douglas E. Wagner*

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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 feel free to remain after the worship service for Coffee Hour in Fleck Hall.** You may wish to visit us on the web at [www.elmwoodchurch.ca](http://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

❖ **Play Area** for children aged 0 – 7 yrs. during the worship service. An usher can direct you there. Please make the necessary arrangements for your children's supervision. Thank you.

❖ **Today is Food Bank Sunday** - Please leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex. If you would keep in mind that we are in need of some of the following items, it would be very much appreciated.

- Canned meat and fish
- Protein Bars/Cereal Bars
- Paper products i.e. bathroom tissue & Kleenex
- Feminine Hygiene products for the London & Area Food Bank
- Laundry Soaps

❖ **Celebrate Elmwood Congregational Annual Meeting** will take place on **February 10<sup>th</sup>** following the worship service with a lunch hosted by Session. A goodwill offering will be collected to "*Close the Gap*" for the general budget. Please plan to attend.

❖ **Annual Report** – If you would like to receive the 2018 annual report electronically (instead of a hard copy), please add your name and email address to the list located in the Narthex. Thank you!

❖ **Hark The Herald** - Spring Edition deadline for contributions March 17<sup>th</sup>. Please send items to church office or put in mailbox E15.

❖ **Elmwood Ladies Fellowship** – No meetings in January & February. Will resume March 5<sup>th</sup>.

### SISTER CHURCH EVENTS:

❖ **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019 – Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Cathedral** (472 Richmond Street). See poster on bulletin board across from the church office or go to [www.weekofprayer.ca](http://www.weekofprayer.ca)

❖ **Steve Bell in Concert – Sunday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.** at Chalmers Presbyterian (342 Pond Mills Rd.). Tickets are \$20.00 - call 519-681-7242. A Nicaragua & El Salvador Medical Mission Team Fundraiser.

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Listen Again: You can hear recordings of the latest sermons on our website. Visit [www.elmwoodchurch.ca/media](http://www.elmwoodchurch.ca/media)



**Presbyterian Prayer Partnership** – O God of life and hope, we pray for our military chaplains who are deployed with our men and women. May they be able to be bearers of life, hope and joy to those who are far from home and may also feel far from these realities.



**Stewardship Moment** – Give, and it will be given to you.

*Luke 6:38a*