

**GROWING, CARING,
MAKING A DIFFERENCE**



**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
IN ELGIN AND PORTLAND**

Ministers: All of God's People

Leader: Charlotte Hoy, LLWL

✦ *indicates when those who are able will
please stand*

March 3, 2024

Welcome, Announcements

God in My Week - Sharing and Caring
Birthdays & Anniversaries

Land Acknowledgement

We live, work, and worship on treaty land. We are reminded that we are called into the right relationship with the land and our neighbours. We affirm the need to implement the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and to strive for reconciliation.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Spiritual Focus

God speaks to our hearts.

Call to Worship

One: We gather together in this space.

ALL: Let us center ourselves for worship.

One: To receive God's blessing.

ALL: We are God's beloved. Amen.

Opening Prayer

✦ **Opening Hymn:**
EUC VU # 701 What Does the Lord Require of You
PUC VU # 112 O God, How We Have Wandered

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story.

**All: Our ears and hearts are open, for God's story is
our story.**

**Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17
John 2:13-22**

✦ **Hymn:**
EUC MV #1 Let Us Build a House
PUC VU # 642 Be Thou My Vision

Reflection Control?

Ministry of Music: PUC: Surrender – Roy Findley

Prayers of The People/ The Lord's Prayer

✦ **Offertory Hymn:**
MV # 191 What Can I Do

Offertory Prayer

✦ **Closing Hymn:**
EUC MV # 138 My Love Colors Outside the Lines
PUC VU # 684 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Benediction

✦ **Choral Blessing:**
EUC MV # 214 May God's Sheltering Wings
PUC VU # 429 May the Blessing of God

Postlude:
EUC VU # 684 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
PUC Finlandia – Jean Sibelius

Bible Discussions Groups

Monday 6:30 p.m. at Portland UC. Elgin UC meeting this week (March 5) will be held at the home of Anne and Jim Barton, 27 Cedar Creek Lane, Elgin (off of 2651 Opinicon Road, km west of Chaffey's Lock) at 10 a.m. Tuesday. Liz Church 1-902-441-5357 has kindly offered to provide transport for anyone needing it from Elgin leaving Gordanier's Grocery at 9:30 am. If you need a ride, please let Jim know so we'll know how many people to expect. This week's discussion will be from 1 Corinthians chapters 11-16 & 2 Corinthians chapters 1-2. Everyone is welcome. For info contact Jim Barton 613-328-4089 or ccjimbarton@gmail.com.

Galatians 4:9 *"But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God,..."*

Portland United Church is hosting a Turkey Dinner on March 22nd from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Adults \$18.00, Children under 12 \$10.00

Karen Earl is recovering at home from knee replacement surgery. Please hold Karen and Jim in your prayers.

Joanne McLean continues to improve and gain strength on her recovery journey from heart surgery. Please hold Joanne and John in your prayers.

EUC Council meeting 7 p.m., March 5th.

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