

**Elderton Presbyterian Church
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026**

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*The mission of Elderton Presbyterian Church is to bring the
Word of God and the love of Jesus Christ to the surrounding community,
We do this through worship, education, and missions.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Acolyte – Adalyn Quinn

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

*Call to Worship: **(responsively)**

We come to be cleansed by the water of life.

God adopts us as children of God.

We come as sinners redeemed

In thanksgiving for God's grace bestowed upon us.

We come as a community of love

Surrounding and blessing the newly baptized from this day forward.

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn No. 466 - "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

***Unison** Prayer of Confession:

O God, who has invited us into the church, cleansed us by the waters of baptism, and called us to walk in the newness of life, we confess our sins to you. We have not shown the grace you showed to us in baptism. We have not committed ourselves fully to the ministry of the church into which you initiated us. In your mercy, we ask that you forgive us for our neglect of justice, our deliberate sins, and our failure to remember our baptism. Enable us to live as models for those who are baptized this day. Empower us to nurture their faith. May we all grow into the church that serves you faithfully in the world. Amen.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri – page 579 – blue hymnal

THE WORD

Special Music – "My Jesus" - Cassie Clowser

Joys, Concerns, and God Sightings

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn No. 492 - "Baptized in Water"

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Presentation

The Invitation

The Words of Institution

The Commitment of the Congregation

Leader: Brothers and sisters, we now receive Anna Jean Spohn into Christ's church. I charge you to nurture, love, and assist her to be Christ's faithful disciple

People: With joy and thanksgiving, we now welcome Anna into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support her as we all follow Christ.

The Blessing of the Water of Holy Baptism

Welcome into the Family of Faith

Scripture – Isaiah 55: 10-13

Sermon – "The Power of God's Word" - Dr. Angel De La Cruz

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed - in unison - page 14 in blue hymnal

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory – "Coat of Many Colors" – Cassie Clowser

*Doxology – page 592 - blue hymnal

*Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 477 – "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response:

God be with you til we meet again, by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you til we meet again.

*Postlude

(*) Congregation Standing

A warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. We are pleased that you are here. As we unite in worship, we pray that you are blessed and encouraged as we aim to create an uplifting service for everyone. To connect with you and provide any support you may need, we kindly ask you to fill out the welcome card in the pew racks. Please place it in the offering plate when you are done.

A nursery is available for your convenience, located in the educational complex of the building.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT – Linda Prugh – 724-464-8861

GREETERS TODAY – Dave and Lisa Smail

GREETERS NEXT WEEK – Ryan and Sarah Scrips

ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK – Cooper Grantz

HOMEBOUND MEMBER – Butch Rodgers
PO Box 119
Elderton, PA 15736

VISITATION TEAMS FOR JULY -

Elders – Pam Gaff and Jodi Klingensmith

Deacons – Betsy Bertolino and Conner Fairman

NEXT WEEK

July 19 – 11:00-4:00 – Elderton Firehall - Spaghetti Dinner Benefit for April Brochetti. April is a significant part of our community, volunteering with the fire department, and she is battling breast cancer. Let's support her by attending the dinner and keeping her in our prayers.

We invite you to donate delicious desserts for this upcoming benefit! If you love to bake, please share your sweet creations by dropping them off at the fire hall on July 18 or before 10:00 on July 19. Your generosity will make a difference!

Baptism



*You are a child of God,
you are wonderfully made,
dearly loved, and precious in His sight
Psalm 139*

COMING UP

July 25 – 9:00 – 12:00 – Elderton Rec Park Annual Car Show. For more information, contact Dee Craig at 724-388-6999.

July 25 – Rain or Shine – Faith in the Valley – Shannock Valley Community Park. Free admission. 5:00 pm – Food Booths- 6:00 pm Worship and music with a performance by The Siler Family

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This morning is a time for celebration
as we participate in the baptism of:

Anna Jean Spohn
daughter of
Nikko and Elaina Spohn

In a spirit of thanksgiving and promise,
let us wholeheartedly commit ourselves to nurturing
Anna and guiding her on her journey in the Christian faith.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Continued prayers for Jeff Elgin's nephew, Ryan, who had shoulder surgery and has a long road of recovery.

Continued prayers for Jodi Klingensmith's son, Johnny, whose gastric bypass surgery did not go as planned; he is to have another major surgery.

Continued prayers for baby Chloe.

Nate John's co-worker needs prayers as they navigate through a tough time.

Travel mercies for Nate, Jennifer Johns, and family as they leave for vacation.

Continued prayers for Anna Spohn, who has successfully gotten out of the hip harness.

JOYS

Iris Reese was happy to see her family at a reunion.
