

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **online** worship this Sunday. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The video link is found on the home page. We encourage you to let us know you have joined us by filling in the short response form.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: APRIL 11—18

SUNDAY	Online Worship Service	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Supervision	7:00 pm
MONDAY	Online Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Worship Team meeting	8:15 pm
TUESDAY	Presbytery Online Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup	12:30 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting	8:00 pm
THURSDAY	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Online Worship Service	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

The church building and office remain closed to the public. Wendy is once again working from HOME. We urge you to call ahead before dropping by the church. Email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca with any questions or needs.

Rev. John can be reached on his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, www.chalmerslondon.com. You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Online Worship Celebration

April 11, 2021

Presbytery of London Joint Service — 2nd Sunday of Easter



Chalmers' Ministry

Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

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WE GATHER

Musical Prelude:

Beth Hickey

They'll Know we are Christians by our Love arr. Mark Hayes

Because He Lives! By William J. Gaither, arr. Phillip Keveren

Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 148)

A Poem: *Together* — Psalm 133 © Dave Hopwood/engageworship.org

WE APPROACH

Gathering Hymn: ***In Christ Alone*** (Lyrics on p. 3)

Prayers of Approach and Confession—Assurance of Pardon (based on Psalm 16)

Sharing of Peace

Hymn: ***Lord of the Dance*** 250

WE BELIEVE

Dramatic Reading: *Jesus is Alive!* (John 20:19-31) © Bob Hartman/engageworship.org

Story for all ages: “*Seeing is Believing*”

Special Music: “*Canoe Ride on Dalewood Lake*” by M. Anderle Martin Anderle

Scripture Readings: Acts 4:32-35 (NRSV)

1 John 1:1-2:2 (MSG)

Message: “*We are community*”

WE RESPOND

Affirmation of Faith

Prayers of the People

Hymn: ***I'm gonna live so God can use me*** (Lyrics on p. 3) 648

The Blessing

Musical Postlude

Rosemary Bannerman

Stand Together by Jim Papoulis

In Christ Alone

Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love,
what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
my comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe;
this gift of love and righteousness
scorned by the ones He came to save,
'til on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied,
for every sin on Him was laid,
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine,
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death:
this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand,
'til He returns or calls me home
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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Lord of the dance

Sydney Carter

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth:
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain:

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance
and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came with me and the dance went on.

Refrain

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
and they hung me on high,
And they left me there on a cross to die.

Refrain

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance, and I still go on.

Refrain

They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain

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I'm gonna live so God can use me

African American Spiritual

I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna work so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna sing so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing and pain control for **Joyce Yull**.
- ◆ We pray for healing for **Tom Hunter** as he receives care in hospital for matters related to his recent surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Doris Tutt** and a spirit of perseverance as she recovers in hospital from recent surgery on her shoulders.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he convalesces at home. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ For God to inspire us to be generous in giving our time, talents and treasure for the ongoing work of the Lord in the world.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Betty Smedley, Linda McPherson, and Ross Cole**.

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**CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR:** Join us Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for a relaxed time of fellowship. We are meeting on Zoom, meeting ID 350 336 4073 (this will remain the same each week) and there is no password. Contact Sue at 226-663-4735 with questions.

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CARE & SHARE FOOD SUPPORT PROGRAM: Chalmers' Care & Share program has continued throughout the pandemic to provide food support to families in need in our community. Thank you to our volunteers for their faithful service!



April 11

Anakala Finds Answers at Shining Hospital In Nepal, Anakala Nepali was living in significant discomfort. Severe problems with her fingers, along with loss of sensation in her legs and tingling in her body were followed by vision problems. In Anakala's community, many people prefer traditional healers to address their medical problems—Anakala decided to do the same. However, she still suffered after the visit. Her daughter-in-law, on seeing her in pain and suspecting that it might be due to leprosy, encouraged Anakala to visit the Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Shining Hospital. Once she was admitted to the hospital, she was officially diagnosed with leprosy and started treatment, which has improved her symptoms and pain. Anakala is very grateful for the Shining Hospital's care, love and support.

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

April 11

What I spent is gone. What I kept I lost. But what I gave will be mine forever.

Tombstone Epitaph

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**CHALMERS SUNDAY SCHOOL :** Join us online Sundays at 11am following worship. All kids welcome! For login information, [chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com](mailto:chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com)

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CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING: Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting. We will meet on Webex, every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about 40-50 minutes. All Welcome!

LIBRARY NEWS

The Sugar Baron's Daughters – by Lisa T. Bergren

Book 3: Selah

The third book in this series is as exciting as the first two. Selah is the youngest of the three sisters, and is gentle by nature, but living on the Island of Nevis, in the West Indies, on a sugar plantation is inclined to harden a person as a necessity. It is a hard life, of hard work, in a situation where women have their place – and it isn't as plantation owners, and it isn't as people who help their slaves to obtain their freedom, and then hire them as actual farm hands.

Selah works well with the hired hands on their plantation – which sends Angus Shubert into fits of rage whenever he comes into contact with her. Jedediah Reed is a preacher who comes to the plantation to bring his faith to the slaves. Selah begins to get close to Jedediah, until she is in serious danger, and he just feels so helpless that he decides to cool their friendship.

This is another book of fast moving, exciting happenings on a sugar plantation in the 1770's.

Please let me know how you enjoy this series. I loved it!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

*How good and pleasant it is
when God's people
live together in unity!*
Psalm 133:1

COVID-19 UPDATE: At their meeting on March 16 Chalmers Session decided that **online worship will continue for the month of April 2021**. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church and office are **closed**. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

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