

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us as we **live stream** worship for the next few weeks. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The live stream 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.

AT A GLANCE: APRIL 12 –19

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| SUNDAY | Easter Worship with Communion (Livestreamed) | 10:00am |
| TUESDAY | Care & Share | 12:30pm |
| SUNDAY | Worship (Online) | 10:00am |

OFFICE HOURS:

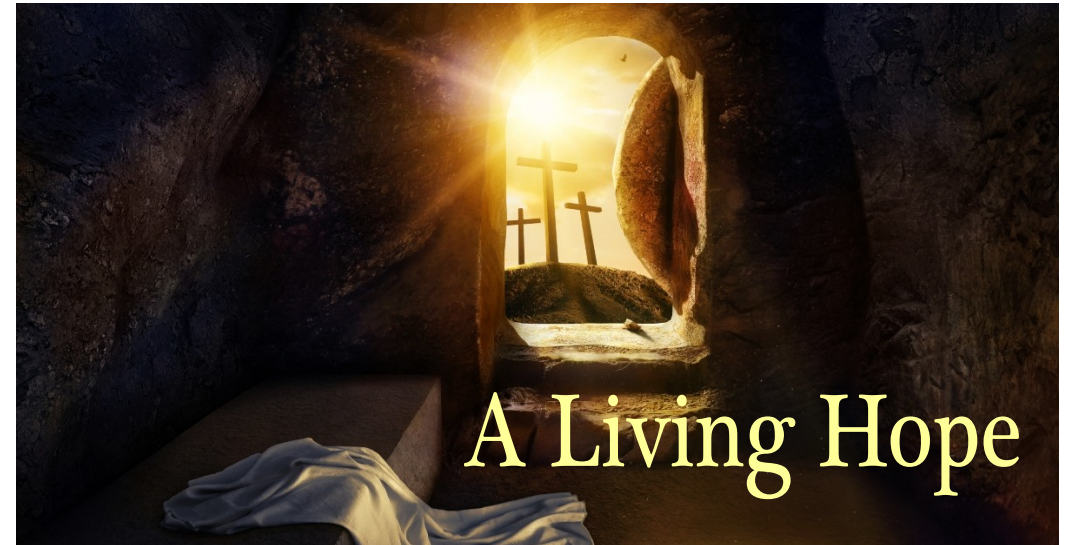
NOTE: The Chalmers Church office is closed until such a time as meeting restrictions are lifted. Rev. John and Wendy Sibley are working from home. Please email chalmerspclondon@gmail.com with any questions or needs. Rev. John can be reached at his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell phone (226) 919-9180. 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

Worship Celebration

April 12, 2020—Easter Sunday

(Live-streamed)



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

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Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Beth Hickey

Call to Worship

PWS&D Insert

One: God raised Jesus on the third day

All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

One: Let us take our tambourines and dance,

All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

One: With the risen one in our midst,

All: the graveyard becomes a garden; grief turns to gladness, tears to laughter.

There is a new creation!

One: With the risen one in our midst,

All: life defeats death, love overcomes hatred, hope replaces fear.

One: This is the good news of the gospel!

All: Christ is risen! We are risen! Alleluia!

Let us pray:

Creator God, in raising Jesus from the dead, you have made the world brand new. We praise you with joy and thanksgiving! May we live daily as Easter people bringing life, love and hope to all the world; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Praise: *Jesus Christ is risen today*

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Celebrating with the Children

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Psalm 100

All: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.

The Lord made us; we belong to God.

We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise.

Give thanks to the Lord, bless God's name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;

and his truth to all generations.

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Matthew 28:1-10

One: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: ***A Living Hope***

Special Praise: *Lord of the Dance*

Bob Finlay

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts: *Sing amen*

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Offering Prayer

Celebration of Holy Communion

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Breaking the Bread

Prayer after Communion

The Peace

One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Praise: *Let us talents and tongues employ*

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The Blessing

Musical Postlude

Beth Hickey



Jesus Christ is risen today

Charles Wesley

Jesus Christ is risen today,
hallelujah!
Our triumphant holy day,
hallelujah!
Who did once upon the cross,
hallelujah!
Suffer to redeem our loss,
hallelujah!

Hymns of praise then let us sing,
hallelujah!
Unto Christ our heavenly King,
hallelujah!
Who endured the cross and grave,
hallelujah!
Sinners to redeem and save,
hallelujah!

Sing we to our God above,
hallelujah!
Praise eternal as his love,
hallelujah!
Praise him, all ye heavenly host,
hallelujah!
Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
hallelujah!

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Sing amen

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Sing amen.
Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing amen.
Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing amen.
Amen, amen, amen, amen,
amen, we praise your name, O God.

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The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And with you also.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and
might, heaven and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever.
Amen

Let us talents and tongues employ

Fred Kaan, Doreen Potter, Andrew Donaldson

Let us talents and tongues employ,
Reaching out with a shout of joy;
Bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain:
*Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!*

Christ is able to make us one;
At the table he sets the tone,
Teaching people to live and bless,
Love in word and in deed express.

Refrain

Jesus calls us in, sends us out
Bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) everywhere!

Refrain

Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For strength and healing for **Betty and Dennis Smedley** as Betty recovers from surgery and Dennis convalesces at home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jo-Ann Marshall** as she recovers at home from recent leg surgery. May God give her patience and a spirit of perseverance during her time of convalescence.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he recovers at home after enduring a fall late last year. May the Lord give strength to his wife, 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 **Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, Roy Young, and Ross Cole.**

COVID-19 UPDATE: All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share has been suspended, and the church office is closed for the duration of the government restrictions on gatherings. Worship services in the church building are suspended, following recommendations from the Denomination - services will be recorded and uploaded or live streamed through our website, chalmerslondon.com.

Church Office: Wendy is working from home for the next while and can be reached at chalmerspclondon@gmail.com or (519) 872-0003.



April 12: God is at work

The Synod of Saskatchewan receives a yearly Regional Resourcing Grant to hire staff who support and grow the province's ministry and mission. Martha Fergusson, the Synod Youth Coordinator, coordinates Saskatchewan Presbyterian youth, participation in CY, and summer Vacation Bible School programs across the province. Most churches have more children during VBS than they would have on a single Sunday during the school year. Martha said, "God is at work each day. The children often want to stay another week, the singing is wonderful and churches feel supported. Hopefully we leave an imprint of the gospel and hospitality on all we teach."

Presbyterians Sharing supports regional mission and ministry

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

April 12

The Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' *Acts 20:35b NRSV*

BIBLICAL STORYTELLING WORKSHOP: For the health and safety of all involved, CE & Faith Development are postponing the Biblical Storytelling Workshop. New date to be announced soon.

LENT BIBLE STUDY: The Bible study has been postponed to a later date in an effort to comply with social distancing recommendations. We will be in touch with all registrants to inform you of the new dates.

LIBRARY NEWS

Have a Little Faith – by Mitch Albom

Mitch Albom is of the Jewish faith, and out of the blue, quite unexpectedly, a Jewish rabbi friend askshim to 'do his eulogy'! This request shocks Mitch because he has not been faithful in his attendance at the Synagogue – and doesn't really feel like he knows Albert Lewis well enough to talk at his funeral, but after taking a few days to think things over he agrees And thus starts a long friendship with regular visits by Mitch.

Henry Covington is a Christian pastor with a very controversial background. Henry grew up rough and carried on his 'in-and-out' of prison life until he finds his faith and changes his ways. Henry ministers in a church with a leaky roof and very little heating, but he ministers to people who really need to hear about a loving God, and who need a good hot meal each day.

This is a very interesting read and leaves you with a good feeling that there are definitely a lot of "good" people in this world. If you haven't read **Tuesdays With Morrie**, by Mitch Albom - maybe think about reading it before this book. They are not a series, but Mitch Albom refers to his earlier book in this newer one.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

NEW PROFESSING MEMBERS: We look forward to welcoming new professing members during the spring. Please speak with Rev. John or with your elder if you would like to know more about becoming a professing member of the church.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: If you would like a copy of the church directory, please email the office at chalmerspclondon@gmail.com and Wendy will email you an electronic copy.

ONLINE DONATIONS: Thank you for your continued support of Chalmers Presbyterian Church during this time of physical distancing. Offerings may be mailed in to the church, or submitted online through CanadaHelps.org. A link is provided on the home page of our website.

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Have you considered signing up for **PAR (PRE AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE)?** It's easy to do, makes consistent offerings simple and can be stopped or adjusted easily. Offering is withdrawn directly from your bank account monthly. Forms are available in the narthex, or speak to Wendy .



*Christ is risen!  
He is risen indeed!*