

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.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: APRIL 19—26

SUNDAY	Worship (Online)	10:00am
TUESDAY	Care & Share	12:30pm
	Online Session Meeting	7:00 pm
SUNDAY	Worship (Online)	10:00am

OFFICE HOURS:

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 19, 2020

2nd Sunday of Easter

(Online)



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
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Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Living Faith 3.5.1

One: Jesus suffered, died, and was buried,
but God raised him from the dead.

**All: Risen and Ascended,
he is alive now, the living Lord.**

Praise: *Alleluia, alleluia*

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The Peace

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

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Psalm 29:1-4, 10-11

One: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

All: ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

One: Ascribe to the Lord the glorious name;

All: worship the Lord in holy splendor.

One: The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

All: the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

One: The voice of the Lord is powerful;

All: the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

One: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;

All: the Lord sits enthroned as sovereign forever.

One: O Lord, give strength to your people!

All: O Lord, bless your people with peace!

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-23

One: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: **Peace be with you.**

Special Praise: *His Eye is On the Sparrow* by Martin & Gabriel

Wendy Sibley

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer

Prayers of the People & **The Lord's Prayer**

Praise: *What a friend we have in Jesus*

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The Blessing

Musical Postlude



Peace

Alleluia, alleluia

Donald Fishel

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia
give thanks to the risen Lord;
alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth;
He is the king of creation:

Refrain

Spread the good news o'er all the earth;
Jesus has died and has risen:

Refrain

We have been crucified with Christ;
now we shall live forever:

Refrain

Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Saviour:

Refrain

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What a friend we have in Jesus

Joseph Medlicott Scriven

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear;
what a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer.

Oh what peace we often forfeit,
oh what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness:
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge:
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
in his arms he'll take and shield thee;
thou wilt find a solace there.

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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

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 comfort and peace for the family of **Maureen Gaskin**, member of Chalmers Presbyterian Church who passed away on Monday, April 13.
- ◆ 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, 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 19: Earth Day (April 22)

Lucsius knows that when he cares for the earth he can take better care of his family. Having discovered conservation agriculture, soil care management and crop diversification through a PWS&D-supported program, this Haitian farmer now grows a diverse range of food. The legumes, cassava, cabbage, peppers, carrots, beans, potatoes and bananas help make his family's meals both colourful and nutritious. Excited for his increased ability to provide for his family, Lucsius saved the profits from selling his vegetables to buy a pig, further improving his family's food security. Reflecting on the support he received from PWS&D and other farmers in his community, Lucsius said, "It is possible to produce better food to be able to feed our families." *PWS&D supports small-scale farmers*

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

April 19

"Money is like manure – it should be spread around." *Brooke Astor (1902-2007), philanthropist, socialite, writer*

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

Until We Reach Home - by Lynn Austin

Elin, Kirsten and Sofia are sisters who live on a farm in Sweden with their brother Nils and their aunt and uncle. All is not well in the household. Their parents are dead and their aunt and uncle have already alienated their brother and he has left home, now the girls are feeling lost and uncared for and really don't want to live this way any longer. They decide to go to America, and ask another uncle and his wife to send them money to join them in Chicago. This story takes place in 1897, so the trip from Sweden to Chicago is long, tiring, uncomfortable and fraught with danger at every turn. I can't give away too much of the plot of the story, but just let me say that I enjoyed every minute of this family story. I couldn't (or didn't want to) lay the book down. I will read more of Lynn Austin's books because this one certainly kept me interested, in awe of the conditions these sisters had to contend with, and wondering where on earth it would take me next.

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.

