CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **in-person worship** this Sunday at 10 am. **Pre-registration is required by Friday noon.** The service will also be livestreamed, and can be viewed 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: AUGUST 15-22

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestreamed Worship Service Task Force Zoom Meeting	10:00 am 7:00 pm
MONDAY	Registration opens for in-person worship for Sunday, August 22. Register on our website or call 519-681-7242	
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pick-up Trustee Meeting Online Prayer Meeting	12:30 pm 7:15 pm 8:00 pm
THURSDAY	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

The church building and office remain closed to the public. 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 Worship Celebration

August 15, 2021

12th Sunday after Pentecost

In-Person & Livestream Worship



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 APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1, 2

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

All: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

All: let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!

Praise: Praise God from whom all blessings flow (Lyrics on p. 3) 306 (Eng/Fre/Eng)

Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Pardon

The Peace

One: May the peace of Christ be with you

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: 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;

God's steadfast love endures forever,

God's faithfulness to all generations.

Scripture Reading: Acts 16:11-15

Luke 10:25-37

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise: Help us to help each other, Lord (Lyrics on p. 3) 489

Message: Like Lydia

Special Praise: The Prayer by David Foster/Carole Bayer Sager (lyrics on p. 3) Bob Finlay

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: The church is wherever God's people (Lyrics on p. 3) 484

Offering Prayer, Prayers of the People and **The Lord's Prayer**

Praise: Make me a channel of your peace (Lyrics on p. 3) 740

Blessing

Musical Postlude

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Brian A. Wren

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures high and low; praise God in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Gloire à Dieu, notre Créateur; gloire à Christ, notre Rédempteur; gloire à l'Esprit consolateur! Louange et gloire à Dieu, Sauveur!

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Help us to help each other, Lord

Charles Wesley

Help us to help each other, Lord, each other's cross to share; let each our friendly aid afford and feel each other's care.

Up into thee, our living Head, let us in all things grow, and by thy sacrifice be led the fruits of love to show.

Drawn by the magnet of thy love let all our hearts agree, and ever to each other move, and ever nearer thee.

This is the bond of perfectness, thy spotless charity.
Oh let us still, we pray, possess the mind that was in thee.

The church is wherever God's people

Carol Rose Ikeler, Robert J. B. Fleming

The church is wherever God's people are praising, singing God's goodness for joy on this day.
The church is wherever disciples of Jesus remember his story and walk in his way.

The church is wherever God's people are helping, caring for neighbours in sickness and need.
The church is wherever God's people are sharing the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.

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Make me a channel of your peace

Saint Patrick of Ireland

Make me a channel of your peace: where there is hatred, let me bring your love; where there is injury, your healing power, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life, let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Special Praise

The Prayer

David Foster / Carole Bayer Sager

I pray you'll be our eyes and watch us where we go, and help us to be wise in times when we don't know.

Let this be our prayer when we lose our way:
Lead us to a place,
guide us with your grace
to a place where we'll be safe.

I pray we'll find your light and hold it in our hearts. When stars go out each night remind us where you are.

Let this be our prayer when shadows fill our day: lead us to a place, guide us with your grace to a place where we'll be safe.

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Please PRAY

- ◆ For Charles McCartney who underwent colon surgery this past Friday at U.H.
- For Janet Bruce as she undergoes knee replacement surgery on Tuesday, August 17.
- For God's healing and pain control for Joyce Yull.
- For God's healing for Doris Tutt and a spirit of perseverance as she recovers at home.
- We pray for God's healing for Betty Longmore, Fran Peach, and Jim Gill as they recover from recent surgery.
- 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 blessing for Betty Smedley, Linda McPherson, and Ross Cole.
- 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 the Lord to encourage the staff and campers of Camp Kintail and all of our church camps across Canada as they continue to deal with the cancellation of summer, overnight camp programs and the financial implications of the pandemic.

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### August 15: Eager to Read God's Word

Presbyterians Sharing supports the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean as he works with Bible translation teams to translate the Bible into Indigenous languages in Taiwan. The work with Tayal began in the 1950s when PCC mission staff Clare and Grace McGill converted the spoken language into writing for the first time. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Paul met online three mornings a week with lead translator Watan Yawi to check spelling and verify consistent translation of biblical terms (e.g., temple, prophet, Lord) and over 2,000 parallel passages in the Old and New Testaments. They finished at the end of March. Proofreaders had three months before the translation was sent to the Bible Society in Taiwan for typesetting and printing. 110 Tayal churches in the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan are eager to read the whole Bible in their own language. "Mhway Utux Kayal! Thanks be to God!"

# **SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP**August 15

"You should give according to your income, lest God make your income according to your giving!"

Dr. Peter Marshall (1902 – 1949), Scots-American preacher

**CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING:** Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting. We meet on ZOOM every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about 40-50 minutes. Link available on our website.

### LIBRARY NEWS

<u>Almost Home</u> – by Valerie Fraser Luesse This story takes place during WWII and things are not easy for anyone.

Dolly Chandler takes in boarders to help pay the bills. First come a couple of quiet, unemployed professors from Chicago, then an obnoxious couple from Reno, and soon the house is filled as workers come to work in local munitions plants.

Arriving from a small farming town in Illinois, Jesse and Anna Williams are having a hard time with their marriage when they move into the house. They meet Army medic Reed Ingram, who has just returned from the war.

Anna and two other boarders discover some old journals left by Charlotte Chauvin, the wife of a local Robin Hood character who built Dolly's house. When they find out that Chauvin and her husband had mysteriously disappeared, they hope that they will be able to uncover the treasure that they were rumoured to have.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

# Chalmers Birthdays this Week Courtney Cronkwright Brynn Colledge Aug 17 Jacquline Nathaniel Aug 18 Margaret Harper Aug 20 Lizz Thibodeau Aug 21 Didine Mabondo Aug 22 Happy Birthday & God Bless!

# Church Re-opening Update:

Session has approved indoor worship services with a limit of 45 people in attendance, in accordance with Health Unit protocols. Face coverings must be worn in the building at all times, and physical distancing observed. There will be no congregational singing and no coffee fellowship following the service. Individuals wishing to attend in-person worship must register in advance through our website, via email or by calling the church office. Registration for each service will open on the Monday before, and close on Friday at noon. You will receive a confirmation of registration.

All other regular programming at Chalmers, including rentals, remains suspended and the church building and office remain closed to the public until further notice. Our office administrator, Wendy Sibley, is working in the office Tuesday to Friday from 8:30am—12 noon. Please call ahead or email Wendy if you plan on visiting the church during the week.

**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).