

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to worship at Chalmers. If you are a guest, visitor or newcomer to Chalmers we reach out to you with hospitality and friendship in Jesus' name. Please take a moment to fill in a guest card—available in the pew holder or from the welcome table. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate, in the box on the welcome table, or given to Rev. John.

Out of consideration for those with sensitivities to various scents, please consider helping us keep Chalmers scent-free. Thank you.

This morning we are pleased to welcome Anita Evans to lead worship.

### AT A GLANCE: FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 1

<b>SUNDAY</b>	Worship & Sunday School	10:00 am
	Library Open	11:15 am
	Tasteful Topics	11:15 am
<b>MONDAY</b>	Ukes of London	7:00 pm
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Care & Share	1:00 pm
	Seniors' Fitness	1:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Knitting Circle	1:30 pm
	Reachout Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	Property Management	7:30 pm
	Praise Team	8:00 pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Seniors' Satellite	9:00 am
	Seniors' Euchre	1:00 pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Worship & Sunday School	10:00 am
	Soup'er Sunday	11:30 am

### OFFICE HOURS:

Mon: 9 am - 3 pm, Tues - Thurs: 12-3 pm  
Fri: 10:30 am - 3:30 pm

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- \* Volleyball @ Supreme Courts - Feb 28, 7:00 pm
- \* Soup'er Sunday - Mar 1, 11:15 am
- \* St. Patty's Kitchen Party - Mar 15, 11:30 am

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

Lorna Wilson & Bill George  
Doug & Janet Bruce  
Maureen Bruff & Bev Cameron

### NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Gail McHardy-Leitch & Don Leitch  
Betty & Peter Longmore  
Brian & Pat MacKay

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Feb 23: No Coffee - Tasteful Topics  
Mar 1: No Coffee - Soup'er Sunday  
Mar 8: Charles & Kathy McCartney  
Mar 15: No Coffee - St. Patty's Luncheon

### COUNTERS:

Feb 23: Brian & Pat  
Mar 1: Todd & Brenda  
Mar 8: Bob & Mary  
Mar 15: Bruce & Joanne

### IN THE BOOTH:

Feb 23: Tammy, Isla & Lizz  
Mar 1: Tammy, Rick & Sue  
Mar 8: Colin, Isla & Lizz  
Mar 15: Colin, Torry & Rose Marie

### IN THE NURSERY:

Feb 23: Cathy & Jackie  
Mar 1: Sharlet & Patricia  
Mar 8: Susan & Leslie  
Mar 15: Cathy & Jane

# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## Worship Celebration

February 23, 2020 - 10:00 am



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
Tom Hunter  
Beth Hickey  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Silent Prayer *A time to be still and know the presence of God*

Call to Worship

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

One: This is the Lord's doing;

**All: It is marvelous in our eyes!**

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

**All: For his steadfast love endures forever!**

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Declaration of Pardon

The Peace

Fix your hearts upon God, where true joys are to be found.

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

**And also with you.**

★ Praise: *How Great is Our God*

(Children and teachers leave for Sunday school)

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

O Lord, you have given us your word for a light to shine upon our path. Grant us so to meditate on that word, and to follow its teaching, that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture reading: Psalm 119:33-40

One: Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

**All: Give me understanding, that I may keep your law  
and observe it with my whole heart.**

One: Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

**All: Turn my heart to your decrees and not to selfish gain.**

**Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.**

One: Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.

**All: See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.**

Choir Anthem: *Go up to the Mountain of God* by Helman

Scripture Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Matthew 5:38-48

Bill George

One: The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Sermon: **They'll Know we are Christians by our Love**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection

★ Praise: *We are one in the Spirit* 471

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts: *Freely Freely* 774

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**As wheat is gathered into barns, O God, so the fruits of our labours are brought into your house. Render our gifts acceptable in your sight and useful in your service...**

★ Praise: *Lord, the light of your love is shining* 376

(Children and teachers return from Sunday school)

Celebrating with the Children & The Lord's Prayer

★ Praise: *God of mercy, God of grace* 39

★ Commissioning and Benediction

★ Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

★ *This symbol is used to invite people to stand. All songs and responses will be projected on the screens.*

CHOIR ANTHEM: *Go Up to the Mountain of God* by Helman

Go up, go up to the mountain of God, where Christ transfigured shines as the morning star.  
Gaze in awe and wonder upon the beauty of Jesus, the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

Go up, go up to the mountain of God and speak with prophets—Moses, Elijah.  
Join with all the angels and saints in praising the incarnate Word. Alleluia, alleluia!

Go up, go up to the mountain of God and hear the loving Father proclaiming:  
"This is my beloved Son. Hear His word and follow his way." Alleluia, alleluia!

Go up, go up to the mountain of God, and there renew your faith in the Son of God.  
May your life of faith reflect the light of Christ to the world. Alleluia, alleluia!

## Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For healing and strength for Carl Suchard, a former member of Chalmers who is receiving care for leukemia.
- ◆ For strength and healing for Betty Smedley who is recovering in hospital following surgery.
- ◆ For healing for Marg Ward as she continues to recover at home from recent surgery.
- ◆ 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 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 Eileen Reid, Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, Roy Young, and Ross Cole.

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**TASTEFUL TOPICS: TODAY** in the lower hall the PAN medical mission team will be giving a presentation of their trip from last November - sure to be awesome. Suggested donation of \$10.00.  
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**VOLLEYBALL:** Youth and young adults are invited to gather for recreational volleyball on **Friday, February 28, 7:00 pm** at Supreme Courts (11 Buchanan Ct., London ). A small fee will be collected to cover the cost of the court.  
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**SOUP'ER SUNDAY** Join us **Sunday, March 1st at 11:15 am** for a delicious soup lunch, and warm fellowship following morning worship. A freewill offering will be received in support of youth attending Canada Youth.  
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**ST. PATTY'S KITCHEN PARTY:** Join us **Sunday, March 15th, 11:30 am** for Irish Stew, Irish Soda Bread, Irish Desserts and music by Bob Finlay and the Ukes of London. Tickets \$15, available in the lower hall after worship starting today, or in the church office during the week.



### February 23: Screening for health in Somalia

Samsam, a mother of five, lives in a community in Somalia where access to food is a consistent struggle and many people are malnourished. Samsam jumped at the opportunity to join a PWS&D-supported program to learn about nutrition for infants and young children. Through this program, she discovered a simple trick for determining whether a child or mother is malnourished: taking a measurement near the top of their arm. Now, by helping community members screen for malnutrition, Samsam is making sure that people in her village are receiving the care that they need. This program demonstrates the multiplying effect of enabling communities to help themselves. With 1,540 people trained on how to measure malnutrition in this way, over 15,000 children and 5,000 women have been screened so far.

*PWS&D helps children and mothers embrace a more promising future*  
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### SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

#### February 23

When you give to God, you discover that God gives to you. - *Anonymous*  
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**LENT BIBLE STUDY:** "10 Key Passages from the Bible" by Julie B. Sevig. Join us **Mondays March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6, from 7-8:30 pm** as we explore the following key Bible passages: Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Exodus 20:1-17, Ephesians 2:8-10, Micah 6:8, Hebrews 11:1-3, Psalm 23, John 3:16, Romans 8:31-39, and Revelation 1:8. *Please sign up in the narthex.*  
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**GLEN CAIRN COMMUNITY MEAL:** **Friday, February 28, 5-6:30 pm** at Chelsea Green Community Church, 123 Chesterfield Ave. To register, call 519-668-2745.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### More New Books!

#### Presbyterianism:

*The Book of Common Order (1979)* – Church of Scotland

*Twelve Keys to an Effective Church* – Kennon L. Callahan

*Gifts and Graces* – John S. Moir

*Gifts and Graces Vol 2* – John S. Moir

*Reflections on Living Faith* – Gunar Kravalis

#### Christian Life:

*Mental Aerobics* – Barbara Bruce

*Alpha Questions of Life* – Nicky Gumbel

*Walking with God* – John Eldredge

*Harvest us Home* – Rea McDonnell & Rachel Callahan

#### Bible Study:

*Some Women Amazed Us* – Bernice Santor

#### Devotional:

*Beside Still Waters* – Betty Radford Turcott

*Christine Hunter, Librarian*  
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**UPDATE FROM REV. JOHN:** "We arrived in Malawi Wednesday at about 2:30 pm local time and will be staying in Blantyre, Malawi for the next 4 nights. It is warm and beautiful here in the heart of Africa and it rained shortly after we landed. We spent Thursday with partners who focused on the Cyclone Idai relief. On Friday we made field visits to a rural community about an hour outside of Blantyre, Malawi, who had received food and financial support from PWS&D following the impact of Cyclone Idai in March of 2019. We met with subsistence farmers in rural Malawi who are now back in their homes and who are still struggling to provide enough food for their families. It was wonderful to meet with the people and hear their stories and receive their enthusiastic welcome and their deep appreciation for the food and financial assistance. It has been an amazing experience so far. Peace, Rev. John

**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.  
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**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Calvary United Church is hosting the Annual World Day of Prayer on **Friday, March 6 at 2 pm**. The service for 2020 has been prepared by the Women of Zimbabwe. See insert for more information.  
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**PRESBYTERIANS READ:** A Denomination-wide Book Study. In Lent 2020 we will read *Lent for Everyone* (Matthew, Year A) by N. T. Wright. A few more books will be available in the lower hall following worship today for a suggested \$10 contribution to help defray the cost. ~ Rev. John  
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**ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP:** There will be no worship service on Ash Wednesday, February 26, at Chalmers Presbyterian Church. Services are being held at Westmount Presbyterian Church at 7 pm, as well as Redeemer Lutheran Church at 7 pm and Holy Trinity St. Stephen Memorial Anglican Church at 10 am and 7 pm.  
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**LONDON PRAYER BREAKFAST:** The London Prayer Breakfast, traditionally held in May, will take place this year on **Wednesday, March 17** at RBC Place (London Convention Centre, 300 York Street) from **7am - 9am** sharp. Tickets are \$35.00/person, and are available through the CCNL website.  
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**CONGRATULATIONS** to Zack and Erin McDonald on the wonderful news of the birth of their daughter Charlie Melinda-Jean McDonald who was born on February 4th weighing 8 pounds, 10 oz. Everyone is doing great! Congratulations also to grandparents Jason and Tammy McDonald and great grandparents Jim and Jackie Harrett. Thanks be to God.