

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

**Welcome to Worship.** Our service today will be in-person and livestreamed through our website at ChalmersLondon.com. If you are visiting with us, please fill out a visitor card, found in the pews, and drop it in the offering plate or the visitor card basket on the information table. **THIS MORNING** a **Ministry Team from Teen Challenge** joins us to help lead us in worship. Welcome! We invite you to stay and fellowship with us over lunch in the lower hall following worship.

### This Week at a Glance: JANUARY 21– 28

<b>SUNDAY</b> JANUARY 21	In-Person & Livestream Worship <b>Soup'er Sunday Luncheon</b> Stephen Ministry Meeting (Zoom)	10:00 am 11:15 am 7:00 pm
<b>MONDAY</b>	Ukes of London	7:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Reachout Rehearsal	12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Senior Satellite Exercise Programs Resumes <b>Robbie Burns Night</b>	9:00 am 7:00 pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am

**Church Office Hours:** The church office is closed Mondays, **and open Tuesday to Friday, 8:30 am –2:30 pm.** Call 519-681-7242 or email [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) with any questions or admin needs.

### Volunteers: JANUARY 21 JANUARY 28

<b>HOSTS</b>	Yvonne Daniel Marg Ward Ann Hunter	Brian MacKay Pat MacKay Wanda MacKay
<b>AUDIO VISUALS</b>	Josiah Duffin Rose Marie Finlay Richard Cote	Bob Finlay Nathaniel Thompson Marilyn McFadden
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	Soup'er Sunday	Keith & Phyllis Johnston
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	Sarah Thompson Marilyn McFadden	Linda Adamson Yvonne Daniel

## CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

January 21, 2024

### Teen Challenge Ministry Team



#### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
Lizz Thibodeau  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Maureen Bruff

Call to Worship

One: God our rock and our salvation.

**All: We will not be shaken!**

One: Trust in God at all times, O people.

**All: We will pour out our hearts to God, our refuge.**

One: Today, let us turn to God and accept the good news.

**All: We will listen for Christ's call and follow him.**

**Hymn of Praise:** *Joyful, joyful we adore you*

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Prayers of Adoration & Confession & **The Lord's Prayer**

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace: One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

Choir Anthem: *Come Follow Me* by Albrecht, Althouse

Celebrating with the Children

**Hymn of Praise:** *All things bright and beautiful*

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## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Teen Challenge Presentation

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Pastoral Prayer

**Hymn of Praise:** *I'm gonna live so God can use me*

648

Offering of our Gifts

**Offering Praise:** *Seek ye first*

625

Offering Prayer

**Hymn of Praise:** *I have decided to follow Jesus*

570

Commissioning & Benediction

**Choral Amen**

Instrumental Postlude



*We extend a warm welcome to the **Teen Challenge Men's Ministry Team** this morning.*

*Teen Challenge is a 12 month faith-based, residential program that helps men and women aged 18+ struggling with alcohol and drug addictions by teaching character and leadership skills through its curriculum and by encouraging students toward a more healthy lifestyle.*

*In 1958, Pastor David Wilkerson reached out to troubled street youth in New York City. Teen Challenge was created to meet the needs of these youths. This is how the ministry of Teen Challenge began and has spread literally around the world. The Teen Challenge story is told in the best-selling book and movie *The Cross and the Switchblade*.*

*Today, Teen Challenge is a non-profit, interdenominational, faith-based program operating in 82 countries, with over 1,100 autonomous locations internationally, and continues to grow at a dramatic pace worldwide. For more information, visit [teenchallenge.ca](http://teenchallenge.ca).*

**\*A free-will offering in support of Teen Challenge will be received during the Soup'er Sunday Luncheon today, immediately following worship.**

CHOIR ANTHEM: **Come Follow Me**, by Albrecht, Althouse

The kingdom of heaven is near. As you have received, so, then must you give.

Be not afraid with the Lord at your side, for Jesus died so we may live.

He said, "Come follow me. Come follow me. Come by yourselves to a quiet place.

Come follow me. Come follow me." That some day we may see His face.

Those who are weary, take rest. Look to Him for comfort and He will soothe your soul.

For He is gentle and humble in heart, and Jesus died to make us whole.

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## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Barry M** who was released from Parkwood last week.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Janet B**, as she recovers from shoulder surgery.
- ◆ For God's comfort for **Beverley E** as she settles into her new space at Dearnest Home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jim G**, who is suffering from Long Covid, receiving care at Parkwood.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles M**, who is dealing with many health concerns; pray also for strength for Cathy as she cares for him.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Holly W**.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Helen L, Leny J, Jackie H, Laura M, Betty S, Bill C**.
- ◆ For God's hand of blessing on the work and ministry of Teen Challenge Canada.

## Soup'er Sunday

Following the Teen Challenge presentation **this morning**, we will share a Soup'er Sunday lunch with our guests. Please plan on joining us in making the Teen Challenge team welcome! **Many thanks to all who brought in soup today!** We look forward to an encouraging time of fellowship.

## Donation Receipts

Please visit the mail slots today to pick up your donation receipt for the 2023 calendar year. Elders are asked to please hand deliver any envelopes belonging to members of your district who are unable to attend church. Thank you.

## Mission Moment

**January 21:** We are God's people, called to serve God with our many gifts. We belong to a denomination that is connected by faith, governance, history and mission. Presbyterians Sharing is one of the ways that Presbyterians across Canada work together to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, sharing God's love and hope in our communities, in Canada and around the world. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing help build strong congregations, serve vulnerable people, walk with Indigenous people, seek justice and share God's love. When we work together, we can accomplish so much more than we ever could on our own.

## Stewardship Moment

Christian stewardship is discipleship: it's how we live our lives in response to God's bounteous grace.

*Marcia Shetler – former Executive Director/CEO of the Ecumenical Stewardship Center*

## Robert Burns Night

Join us on **Friday, January 26th from 7—9 pm** here in Chalmers lower hall for a celebration including entertainment and readings of Burns poems. There will be finger foods, beverages and of course, the haggis! A freewill offering will be received. All welcome!

## Senior Satellite Programming

A special workshop will be offered focusing on **self-defense** on **Friday, February 16**. This is a great opportunity to learn some basic self defense. Registration is required - visit the City of London website under Seniors' Recreation opportunities to register and pay for classes in advance. Open to anyone age 55+.

## From the Library...

**The Pelican Harbor Series** – by Colleen Coble

### #3 - Three Missing Days

Jane Hardy, Chief of Police in Pelican Harbour has been called out to a house fire. The owner of the house is found dead in the house, and one of the firefighters also loses his life in the blaze. Jane starts to investigate and as she works through this happening, she gets deeper and deeper into a mystery that seems unsolvable.

On the back of this fire and the two deaths, Jane's son, Will, is the last person to see his step-mother alive, and is accused of her murder.

This is a fast-paced, no holds barred story of a family vendetta that looks like it could destroy Jane and her family.

I initially found this 3rd book in this interesting series to be a little slow getting started, but when it does – it is interesting, exciting, and really keeps you guessing as to what is really going on here until the very last page!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

## Giving at Chalmers

We are so thankful for your generous and faithful support of the work and ministry at Chalmers. Offerings can be giving through the offering plate, e-transfer, Canada Helps or PAR (pre-authorized remittance). Offering envelopes for 2024 are still available. Contact the office for more information.

## Hat/Mitten/Scarf Donations

Today is the final date for donations of hats, mitts and scarves. The ladies of the Knitting Circle are thankful for your generosity. All donations will be passed on to a worthy cause!

## Care & Share Corner

In 2023 Care and Share volunteers worked tirelessly to serve the needy in our community. Our client base **increased by 55%**, as more and more households cannot feed their families. Your continued support of this vital ministry is greatly appreciated! Financial gifts are always needed, and pantry needs this month are: **baked beans (no pork), and fruit juice.**

## Annual Report Submissions

A reminder to all committee chairs that the deadline for Annual Report submissions is **NEXT SUNDAY, January 28**. Please email your reports to Wendy in the church office. Your help in meeting this deadline would be greatly appreciated. Thanks to all who have already sent in your reports!!

## Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Magali Mabondo	January 21
Pat MacKay	January 22
Mike Poser	January 24
Kristine Hardy	January 27
Jeanne Ferguson	January 28
Linda Adamson	January 29
Richard Cote	January 29



Many thanks to **Audrey, Mary & Gord** for your help with administrative jobs this week. I so appreciate your willing hearts and helpful hands!

~ Wendy