

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We will be live-streaming the service this week. This 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 online by filling in the short response form.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: JANUARY 9—15

SUNDAY	Online Worship Stephen Ministry Online Meeting	10:00 am 7:00 pm
MONDAY	Worship Committee Zoom Meeting	7:00 pm
TUESDAY	Session Executive Online Meeting London Presbytery Meeting Policy & Planning Online Meeting	2:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup Online Prayer Meeting	12:30 pm 8:00 pm
THURSDAY		
SUNDAY	Online Worship	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

Our regular church hours are Mon-Thurs, 9:30-4:30pm. Rev. John can be reached by

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

	This Week	Next Week
HOSTS	Live-stream only	Live-stream only
A/V	Andrea Bruce Richard Cote	Torry Thibodeau, Tammy McDonald Lizz Thibodeau
Webex	Rose Marie Finlay	Marilyn MacFadden

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

January 9, 2022

Baptism of the Lord

Live-stream Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
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Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Beloved, God chooses us and calls us by name.

All: We belong to God. Alleluia!

One: Our lives have purpose because we belong to God.

All: We are called to be like Christ and follow him.

One: We will find joy, peace, and restoration through God's amazing grace.

All: Let us worship God who claims us and loves us! Praise be to God!

Praise: *Christ, when for us you were baptized* (Lyrics on p. 3) 183

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 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 Readings: Isaiah 43: 1-7

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise: *Amigos de Cristo/Friends of the Lord* (Lyrics on p. 3) 172

Sermon: *Remember Your Baptism*

Special Praise *I Heard the Lord Call My Name* (Lyrics on p.3) Bob Finlay

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *God forgave my sin / Freely, freely* (Lyrics on p. 3) (vs 1) 774

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

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Blessing

Musical Postlude



Christ, when for us you were baptized

F. Bland Tucker, Thomas Jackson

Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God's Spirit on you came,
As peaceful as a dove,
And yet as urgent as a flame.

God called you the beloved Son,
called you the servant true:
sent you the kingdom to proclaim,
God's holy will to do.

Straight-way and steadfast until death
you then obeyed the call,
freely as Son of Man to serve
and give your life for all.

Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord;
your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we
may perfect freedom find.

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Amigos de Cristo / Friends of the Lord

Latin American Traditional

Refrain:

*Amigos the Cristo; we're friends of the
Lord;
Amigos de Christo; we're friends of the
Lord.*

Friends of the covenant renewed each
morn;
baptized and loving it, we've been reborn.
Gift of the dove is ours forevermore.
Amigos de Cristo; we're friends of the Lord.

Refrain

Born of a family, the young and old,
we'll be on hand to see new life unfold.
We understand the need to be made
whole.
Amigos de Cristo; we're friends of the Lord.

Refrain

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God forgave my sin / Freely, freely

Carol Owens

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share his love as he told me to.

Chorus:

*He said: 'Freely, freely you have received;
freely, freely give.
Go in my name and because you believe,
others will know that I live.'*

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I Heard the Lord Call My Name

by C.J. Krieger

I heard the Lord call my name
listen close you'll hear the same. (3x)
Take his hand, we are glory bound.

His word is Love, Love's His word
that's the message that I heard,. (3x)
Take his hand, we are glory bound.

Bridge:

Place your hand in His and You will know
He will show you where to go.

I felt His Love from above
settle on me like a dove (3x)
Take his hand, we are glory bound.

And to the Father all your days -
with the Son and Spirit praise (3x)
Take his hand, we are glory bound.

Bridge

I heard the Lord call my name
listen close you'll hear the same. (3x)
Take his hand, we are glory bound.

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A bush bursts into flame

Andrew Donaldson

A bush bursts into flame,
and the Lord calls a shepherd by his name;
so God calls us, if we will hear.
I watch for the flame,
turn my face to the flame of God's glory.
Unexpected God enters my story,
I know that God will call me by name.
In the company of all who call on the Lord,
I follow the flame.
In the company of all who call on the Lord,
I follow, I follow the flame.

Son of Man stands in the river;
John the Baptist lays hands on him in love;
as a dove, the Spirit comes upon him.
I come to the water,
celebrate the new life flowing through me,
Christ beside me to guide me, renew me,
I know that God has called me by name.
In the company of all who call on the Lord,
I come to the water.
In the company of all who call on the Lord,
I come, I come to the water.

The wind blows where it blows;
who can say where it comes from, where it goes?
So is everyone born of the Spirit.
I wait for the wind;
I'm alive to the voice of the Spirit,
no one sees it, yet still I can hear it,
I wait for God to call me by name.
In the company of all who call on the Lord,
I wait for the wind.
In the company of all who call on the Lord,
I wait, I wait for the wind.

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Please Pray

- ◆ For God's peace and comfort for Leny **Jongepier** and her family as they grieve for the passing of her husband, **John**. John was a member of Chalmers. He died on January 1, 2022 in hospital. John's funeral service was held at Forest Lawn Funeral Chapel on January 5th.
- ◆ For God's comfort and peace for Sherri and Kevin Hartman and their family as they grieve the passing of **Linda Clifford**, Sherri's mother.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles McCartney**, who is recovering at home.
- ◆ For God's healing and pain control for **Joyce Yull**.
- ◆ For healing and pain control for **Vic Laursen** who continues to receive care in hospital.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Ken Hall, 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.

****2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES**:** Offering envelopes are available at the church office. Arrangements can be made for secure, contact-free pickup. Please call or email Denise in advance.



Mission Moment

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.

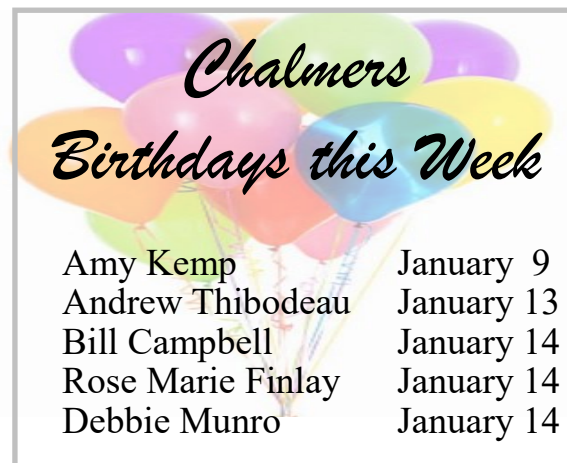
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Presbyterians Sharing help build strong congregations, serve vulnerable people, walk with Indigenous people, seek justice and share God's love.

When we work together, we can accomplish so much more than we ever could on our own.

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP January 9

I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back.
Maya Angelou (1928 – 2014), poet, civil rights activist



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

Due to the **Omicron Variant** and the increasing number of people being infected, both in the province and in the city, the Task Force met on December 27th to discuss worship services at Chalmers. This variant is extremely contagious and we feel that in-person worship services are not the best option at this time. The Session of Chalmers' Presbyterian Church met on December 29, 2021 and approved the following change to worship services: **That as of January 2, 2022, in-person worship would cease and worship services would be live-streamed.** This is to be reviewed at the January 18, 2022 Session meeting. We are hopeful that this will be short term, but will be reviewed monthly by Session.

Starting in January the Online Coffee Hour on Zoom will move from weekly to once a month on the fourth Tuesday. Tues., Jan. 25 at 7:30p.m. will be the first new "**Online Connection Hour**". Everyone is welcome to drop in for informal fellowship. Watch for the announcement and the Zoom link each month. After 3 months we'll see which format serves best.

CARE & SHARE Chalmers' weekly food assistance program continues to serve our local community in this time of need. Precautions and procedures are in place, as prescribed by the Health Unit. Families in need can call the church Mondays to book an appointment for food pickup on Wednesday between 12:30 and 1:30 pm.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Duet - by Robert Elmer
This is a very interesting, family story. Joan Horton is a piano teacher, and a professor at a prestigious music college in New York. She has a married daughter who is expecting her first baby, so she decides to take a year's sabbatical and temporarily locate to the small town of Van Dalen in Washington, to reacquaint with her daughter and of course get to know her new granddaughter. As she starts to take in pupils in her new home, she meets Gerrit Apeldoorn, an elderly gentleman who definitely has his own view of the world, and loves to share his opinions with anyone who is in earshot. Therein starts an interesting, sometimes fiery friendship between these mismatched two! And Gerrit is a dyed-in-the-wool Dutch Reformer, while Joan belongs to the much freer Church of the Nazarene! I really enjoyed this book with its different views on farming, religion and just about every subject in between. Can they ever find meeting place between two different worlds?

Christine Hunter, Librarian