

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 to leave us a record of your visit.

Please plan on joining us for coffee in the lower hall following worship today.

This Week at a Glance: JULY 30—AUGUST 6

SUNDAY JULY 30	In-Person & Livestream Worship Chalmers Library Open Coffee Fellowship in Lower Hall	10:00 am 11:15 am
SUNDAY AUGUST 6	In-Person & Livestream Worship Chalmers Library Open *No Coffee Fellowship—long weekend	10:00 am

Office Hours:

For the summer months, Wendy's Office Hours are Tuesday to Thursday, 8:30 am—1:30 pm. Please call ahead before visiting the church, at (519) 681-7242 or email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca. **Rev. Andrew Thompson's** office hours are Monday, 9:30 am—2:30 pm, Wednesday and Thursday 9:30 am—noon and Friday, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Please call or email the office with any questions or pastoral care needs.

We are grateful to **Mary MacDonald** for providing piano accompaniment today.

Volunteers: JULY 30

AUGUST 6

HOSTS	Yvonne Daniel Todd Webster Brenda Webster	Marg Ward Bev Cameron Ann Hunter
AUDIO VISUALS	Tammy McDonald Jack Hardy Rose Marie Finlay	Andrea Bruce Josiah Duffin Josiah Duffin/ Marilyn McFadden
FELLOWSHIP	Keith & Phyllis Johnston	No Coffee—Long Weekend

Thank you, Volunteers!

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

July 30, 2023

In-Person and Livestream Worship

9th Sunday After Pentecost



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Mary MacDonald

Call to Worship:

One: Sing to the Lord a new song,

All: sing to the Lord all the earth.

One: Declare God's glory among the nations,

All: God's marvelous works among all the people.

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

Praise: *Holy, holy, holy*

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Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children

Praise: *There is a Redeemer*

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 105:1-11, 45

One: O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name,

All: make known God's deeds among the peoples.

One: Sing to the Lord, sing praises,

All: tell of all God's wonderful works.

One: Glory in God's holy name;

All: let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

One: Seek the strength of the Lord;

seek the Lord's presence continually.

**All: Remember the wonderful works God has done,
the miracles, and the judgments God has uttered.**

**O offspring of Abraham, God's servant,
children of Jacob, God's chosen ones.**

One: Our God is the Lord, whose judgements are in all the earth.

**All: The Lord is mindful of the covenant forever,
The word God commanded for a thousand generations,
the covenant with Abraham, the promise sworn to Isaac,
and confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan
as your portion for an inheritance."
that they might keep God's statutes and observe God's laws.**

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-12

Romans 8:26-39

Bob Finlay

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Praise: *Our Sabbath Prayer* by Bob Finlay

Bob Finlay

Message: What would you wish for?

Praise: *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Andy Thibodeau

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *God forgave my sin / Freely, freely*

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

Praise: *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

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Benediction

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

Mary MacDonald

Please Pray

- ◆ For God's healing and comfort for **Beverley E.** who is recovering in hospital with significant injuries from a car crash.
- ◆ For God's grace and peace for **Ed and Janice C.**, as Ed settles in to his new home at Earl's Court Gardens.
- ◆ For **Bill C.** as he settles into his new home at Westmount Gardens.
- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Ainsley M.**
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Linda B., Leny J., Helen L., Jackie H., Laura M., Betty S.**
- ◆ For all those in our congregation who are travelling this summer—may the Lord keep them safe and bring them back refreshed and renewed.

Care & Share is closed for the summer months, but your donations of non-perishable items to stock our cupboards for the fall are greatly appreciated! There is a bin in the foyer for any donations. Thank you for your faithful support of this vital ministry to our neighbours!

Our Thanks to Mary MacDonald for filling in on the piano this morning while Beth Hickey is away. Beth is taking a week's vacation and will return Sunday, August 6.

As we are in the season of vacations, please call ahead to the church before popping in to ensure someone is here.



July 30: Nadhifa, a single mother of seven in Somalia, had to relocate with her two oldest daughters and one-year-old son, Hamza, to a camp for internally displaced people after the drought caused her to lose her livelihood. She left her other four children behind with relatives, fearing for their survival. Nadhifa and her three children journeyed to the Dollow district to seek humanitarian assistance. During screening at the camp, Hamza was diagnosed with severe acute malnutrition. With the support of PWS&D, Hamza received treatment and recovered after a few weeks. In addition, Nadhifa participated in the infant and young child feeding community information session, where she gained valuable nutrition knowledge. "I feel relieved that my son's health has improved, and I can now search for work to provide food for my children," she shared.

Speaking of Stewardship

Everyone can be great because everyone can serve.
Martin Luther King Jr. – minister, activist

Flowers in Memory Anyone wishing to place flowers in the sanctuary in memory of a loved one, is welcome to do so at any time. If you wish these to be acknowledged, please let Wendy know by Wednesday at noon, so a note can be placed in the bulletin.

From the Library...

New Fiction books in the library

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- Colleen Coble - Sunset Cove Novels:**
1. The Inn at Ocean's Edge
 2. Mermaid Moon
 3. Twilight at Blueberry Barrens

Joni M. Hill – Restoring the Castle

Terri Blackstock – When Dreams Cross

Amanda Wen, etc. – O Little Town
this is a Christmas Book – 3 short stories -
so will be on the shelf at Christmas time.

Lorraine Beatty, etc. – Christmas Comes to Bethlehem, Maine also a Christmas story so will be on the shelf in December.

Christine Hunter, Librarian.

Kirk in the Cedars - July 30th

Join us at Camp Kintail at 4:00 for a community worship service open to all! This intergenerational service is full of music and is hosted in an outdoor chapel beside the lake (weather permitting). A meal will follow at 5:00 by donation. No need to RSVP. We look forward to seeing you there!

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Brenda Bakelaar	August 5
Kiera de Hoog	August 6
Grace Laursen	August 8
Cameron Abrams	August 8



Special Praise:

Our Sabbath Prayer, by Bob Finlay

Thank thee, dear Father, for this our Sabbath day.
We will bow our heads together,
And sing our hymns of praise.
We will read our Bible stories
and the wonder that's found there.
We ask you for your blessings Lord,
in this our Sabbath prayer.

*Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son.
Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
to complete the three in one.
We thank you for all the joy
that we share here today;
a guiding light from the Lord above,
in this our Sabbath prayer.*

We'll start this day together
in the knowledge of your love,
as you've sent it down to earth below,
on the wing of a snow white dove.
The wonder of his glory,
his power of love and might.
A shining light to show the way,
to this our sabbath prayer.

We will read the Bible together,
learn the wonders of your love;
as we bow heads in grateful prayer,
thanking the Lord above.
We will sing the hymns with great joy
and reverence to him
for sending his only begotten son
to take away our sins.