



## 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.

There will be a time of refreshments and fellowship in the lower hall following worship. The **striped mugs** at coffee hour are for visitors. Please help our visitors feel welcome.

Please note that some fellow worshippers are sensitive to perfumes. We ask that you consider keeping Chalmers scent-free. Thank you.

### AT A GLANCE: March 3 - 10

**SUNDAY**    Worship & Sunday School - 10am  
Library Open – 11:15am  
Coffee Hour - 11:15am  
Youth Choir - 11:30am  
Stephen Ministry - 7pm

**MONDAY**    Who is Jesus Study - 7pm

**TUESDAY**    Seniors' Fitness - 1pm  
Care & Share - 1pm  
CE & Faith Development - 7pm  
Policy & Planning - 7:30pm

**WEDNESDAY**    Session Executive - 12pm  
Knitting Circle - 1:30pm  
Ash Wednesday Service - 7pm  
Mission Committee - 7:30pm  
Reachout Rehearsal - 7:45pm

**THURSDAY**    Choir Rehearsal - 6:30pm  
Outreach Committee - 6:30pm  
Praise Team Rehearsal - 8pm

**FRIDAY**    Seniors' Satellite - 9am  
Seniors' Euchre - 1pm

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Library Open – 11:15am  
Coffee Hour - 11:15am  
Youth Choir - 11:30am  
Meadowpark Worship - 3:30pm

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 12-3

### UPCOMING DATES:

Mar 6: Ash Wednesday  
Mar 17: Tasteful Topics  
Mar 24: AGM  
Mar 31: Soup'er Sunday

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

Shirley Andersen & Muriel Bertling  
Linda Bone & Maureen Bruff  
Doug & Janet Bruce

### NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Bev Cameron & Yvonne Daniel  
Chris & Kristine Hardy  
Amy Kemp & Winter Hales

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Mar 3. Debbie Latta & Bev Cameron  
Mar 10: Helen Innes & Debbie Scott  
Mar 17: Tasteful Topics  
Mar 24: AGM

### COUNTERS:

Mar 3: Todd & Brenda  
Mar 10: Heather & Maureen  
Mar 17: Joanne & Bruce  
Mar 24: Brian & Pat

### IN THE BOOTH:

Mar 3: Colin, Sue & Rose Marie  
Mar 10: Tammy, Isla & Lizz  
Mar 17: Tammy, Marilyn & Rick  
Mar 24: Tom, Marilyn & Lizz



# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Transfiguration Sunday  
March 3rd, 2019—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  
Lizz Thibodeau  
Brad Dobbie  
Rev. John Bannerman

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# Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God to inspire and bless the Rev. Pam Cullen, the Director of the London Community Chaplaincy and her team, and all those who are served and supported through the Chaplaincy. The Southdale campus of the London Community Chaplaincy is located at the corner of Southdale Road and Millbank Drive in London.
- ◆ For John & Leny Jongepier as John transitions to living at Earl's Court.
- ◆ For God's strength and guidance to surround Jules, Odette, and their children Bénie, Rachel, Didine, Magali, Naomi, Isaac, and Plamedi as they settle into life in Canada.
- ◆ For God's healing to surround Jack Webster who is now home.
- ◆ For God's peace and hope for Linda Bone as she deals with her cancer diagnosis.
- ◆ For God's blessing for Daisy Herbert, Eileen Reid, Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, and Ross Cole.

Our Office Administrator, Lizz, has accepted a part-time position with the Thames Valley District School Board. Chalmers' new office hours will be Monday-Friday 12-3pm.

Please consider sitting closer to **THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY**, particularly on the north side. When watching the service on the livestream, the sanctuary can look empty even with a full congregation because the front six pews are so bare. This does not look appealing to people who may be searching for a church home.

Attention Parents, grandparents, Sunday school teachers, youth leaders, and clergy – **SAVE THE DATE!! SATURDAY MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>. 2019 IS A DAY FOR FAITH FORMERS IN THE LONDON PRESBYTERY!** Featuring: Rodger Nishioka, renowned author, speaker, and faith formation specialist in the Presbyterian Church, USA. This event is generously sponsored by the Presbytery of London. More information coming soon.



**March 3: International Women's Day (March 8)**  
Access to information and services for reproductive health rights remains a significant challenge for women around the world, especially in poor communities. Many women are not able to decide if or when they have children, or how many. Girls forced into early marriages are made vulnerable to sexually transmitted infections and early pregnancy. It is proven time and again that empowering women helps improve economic growth and development—part of this must be access to necessary health services and the ability to make decisions about their bodies. PWS&D is responding in India to raise awareness of sexual and reproductive health and provide women and girls with a network of support so they can decide their own futures.  
*PWS&D ensures health, education and safety for women*

**SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP**  
A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water. *Proverbs 11:25*

**TRIVIA NIGHT** - Saturday March 9th  
Time - 7:00 - 10:00 pm; Location - Knox Presbyterian Church, Thedford, Ont  
Join a team of 6-8 people. Prizes for top teams with most points. We will have door, draw and silent auction items. Funds raised will be used for medical expenses at our clinics in Nicaragua and El Salvador this fall. Tickets available from Audrey Baldwin or available at door.

New St. James Presbyterian Church's Vacation Bible Camp will be held during March Break (Mar 11-15), 9am-3:30pm for students in JK - grade 6. The cost is \$50. To register, please go to their website: [newstjames.com](http://newstjames.com)

The *Who is Jesus?* Study group will begin tomorrow at 7pm in the choir room. Eleven people have signed up and there are still three more copies of the booklet available. All are welcome.

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Nowhere to turn** – by Lynette Eason  
**Hidden Identity Trilogy #2**

The day Danielle Harding takes her 11-year-old son and flees from her abusive husband is the same day Kurt Harding dies. When Kurt was alive, he took something important from a mysterious individual --- who wants the item back and believes Danielle now has it. As she and her son run for their lives, they have nowhere to turn, until she hires Adam Buchanan of Operation Refuge and goes into hiding. Unfortunately, she won't be able to hide for long.  
Wow – again, a fast moving story with lots of twists and turns along the way, until you are wondering when they are going to get a break!

**No place to hide** – by Lynette Eason  
**Hidden Identity Trilogy #3**

It's not every day you see your childhood friend and onetime crush on national news. Jackie Sellers just wishes it were under different circumstances. She can't believe that Ian Lockwood is wanted in connection with a terrorist plot, and she's determined to find him and help him clear his name. Unfortunately, she's not the only one looking for him. The FBI wants him captured. The bad guys want him dead. Ian just wants to stay alive long enough to prove his innocence and prevent a catastrophe.  
Third book in the series and a great suspense story that makes you wonder when Jackie and Ian are going to get a break. I love the team who are helping them who seem able to pull out all the stops and help in unbelievable ways as things seem on the verge of disaster!  
Christine Hunter, Librarian

**TASTEFUL TOPICS** - Sunday, March 17th.  
Guest Speaker - Miranda Bothwell from Middlesex-London EMS. \$10 suggested price for catered lunch. Please sign up by March 12th.

**CHALMERS ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday, March 24th following worship. Lunch will be provided. Please plan to attend.

You are invited to begin your Lenten journey by participating in our **ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE** at 7pm on March 6th. This service will include the imposition of ashes, i.e., making the sign of the cross with ashes on the worshipper's forehead, as a sign of repentance and renewal. The service will be held in the sanctuary and will be 30-40 minutes in length.

**CHILDREN & WORSHIP PROGRAM BASIC TRAINING WORKSHOP**  
**Dates:** Saturday, March 30 and Saturday June 1, 2019 **Location:** Church of the Epiphany, Woodstock, ON **Hours:** 9:15 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
**Trainer:** Linda Shaw, [ianandlindashaw@gmail.com](mailto:ianandlindashaw@gmail.com)

**WOMEN OF WORTH DAY AWAY** featuring Ruth Coghill, April 6th, 2019, 9:00am-3:30pm, Elgin Missionary Church, 4192 Perth Line 36 Stratford, Ontario

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Peden Mental Health Outreach presented by White Oaks United Church. This year's topic is Depression. Saturday March 30, 9am-12pm This is a free event, but for planning purposes, advance registration is required. Registration can be completed either online at [www.whiteoaksunitedchurch.ca](http://www.whiteoaksunitedchurch.ca).

**A TIME CALLED... TRANSFIGURATION:**  
Words occupy the mind, but images haunt the soul. Scripture records that, after a ministry of sermons, stories, and conversations, Jesus was transfigured on a mountain before his disciples. He appeared in dazzling whiteness with two heavenly figures - Moses and Elijah.

**FINDING MEANING IN THE TRADITION:**  
The story of Jesus' transfiguration need not be reasoned through. It is a mystery to be contemplated, an image to keep with us as a continuing epiphany. The miracle is not that Jesus changed, but that the three disciples saw clearly who Jesus was. Glory, splendour, transcendence - such words are rarely used today, yet they truly belong to this event. As we turn towards Lent and the solemn events of Holy Week, we carry with us this image of our Lord, in glory and in mystery.