

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **online** worship this Sunday. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The live stream video link is found on the home page. We encourage you to let us know you have joined us by filling in the short response form.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: NOVEMBER 8-15

SUNDAY	Online Worship	10:00 am
MONDAY	Online Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Worship Committee Online Meeting	8:00 pm
TUESDAY	Care & Share	9:30 am
	Presbytery Online Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Virtual Sunday School	7:00 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting	8:00 pm
THURSDAY	Virtual Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Online Worship	10:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Online Supervision	7:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

The church and church office remain closed to visitors until such a time as meeting restrictions are lifted. Wendy is in the office **Monday 12-3 pm, and Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 9am—12 pm**. Phones and email are being monitored. Please email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca with any questions or needs. Rev. John can be reached at his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell phone (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, www.chalmerslondon.com. You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

November 8, 2020

Remembrance Sunday

(Online Worship)



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

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Tom Hunter
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Romans 15:13 (adapted)

One: May the God of hope fill us with joy and peace in believing

All: so that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may abound in hope!

Praise: *God of grace and God of glory* (Lyrics on page 3) 490 (vv. 1,3 & 5)

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Psalm 42:1-5

One: As a deer longs for flowing streams
so my soul longs for you, O God.

All: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

One: When shall I come and behold the face of God.

**All: My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"**

One: These things I remember as I pour out my soul:

**All: how I went with the throng,
and led them in procession to the house of God,
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,
a multitude keeping festival.**

One: Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?

All: Hope in God; for again I shall praise, my help and my God.

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-5
Matthew 28:16-20

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: **Abounding in Hope**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer

An Act of Remembrance

Reflection

Praise: *Be still my soul*

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The Last Post

Michael Drennan

Minute of Silence

The Reveille

Michael Drennan

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

Praise: *Abide with me* (Lyrics on page 3)

794 (vv.1, 3 & 5)

The Blessing

Musical Postlude



God of grace and God of glory

Fosdick, Hughes

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

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Be still my soul

Jane L. Borthwick, Katharina von Schlegel

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to thy God to order and provide;
in every change God faithful will remain.
Be still my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
to guide the future wisely, as the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
the voice that ruled them here on earth below

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,
then shalt thou better know God's love, God's heart,
who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay
from his own fullness all death takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, loves purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen

Abide with me

Henry Francis Lyte, William Henry Monk

Abide with me, fast falls the even tide;
the darkness deepens, Lord with me abide:
when other helpers fail and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, oh abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour;
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, oh abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
heaven's morning breaks,
and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing for **Jo-Ann Marshall** as she recovers at home from leg surgery. May God give her strength and peace during her time of convalescence.
- ◆ 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 Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jim Gill** who is recovering following surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Liz Gough** and **Evelyn Campbell** as they both recover from recent falls.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ 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 **Betty Smedley**, **Linda McPherson**, and **Ross Cole**.

CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING: Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting to give thanks to God and to pray for one another and for the world that God loves so much. We are trusting this time of prayer will be a source of strength and comfort for all who participate. We will meet online, on Webex, every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about an hour. Visit our website, or check your email for login instructions. Questions? Contact Wendy at 519-681-7242. Everyone is welcome to attend.



November 8 Providing More Than Medicine

When Devika first noticed something wrong with her leg, she visited her local hospital in Nepal to get it checked out, but after a few years, Devika's skin problems had gotten worse, not better. After visiting many clinics and traditional healers, Devika still couldn't find a solution. When she was just about to give up hope, Devika's friend suggested she visit the Shining Hospital. Supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development, the hospital provides support, treatment and education for people suffering from leprosy. At the hospital, the staff diagnosed Devika's skin condition, provided the proper medicine and taught her about her condition. Today, Devika is thankful for the support she received!

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP November 8

"Unless we learn how to humbly tell each other our giving stories, our churches will not learn to give."
Randy Alcorn (1954 -), minister, author

CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR: WE ARE BACK ON ZOOM every Thursday evening at 7:30pm. We'll open up at 7:15 pm to allow time for setup. Meeting ID and password remain the same weekly—see your email for details. If you have any questions contact Sue at 226-663-4735.

LIBRARY NEWS

Lady Maybe – by Julie Klassen

"Oh what a tangled web we weave when first we practice to deceive" – Walter Scott. This phrase came to my mind as I was reading this story. Lord Mayfield is recently married to Lady Marianna Mayfield and all should be good – but the Lady also has a boyfriend. Not what you would expect from a newly married couple. Sir John decides to move his lady out of their town residence to another estate he owns in Devonshire – far enough from the town of Bath to start a new life. Marianna's companion, Hannah goes with them to the new estate. On the way a terrible storm springs up and causes the coach to slide off the road and down a steep hill towards the sea. One of the occupants of the coach disappears into the sea, and the coach driver loses his life in the crash. I must leave you there as you wonder who lived, who dies, and what happens next. The book was interesting, frustrating, but left me liking the character who made me think of this phrase.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

COVID-19 UPDATE: The Province of Ontario continues to implement restrictions on public gatherings, in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19. At their meeting on October 20, Chalmers Session decided that online worship will continue for the month of November. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church and office are closed. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

CHALMERS ONLINE 6-WEEK BIBLE STUDY: NEW START DATE MONDAY NOVEMBER 9! **There is still time to join!** The concept and practice of Sabbath was a revolutionary activity in the promised land. How did it turn into a set of rigid rules about not opening stores on Sunday and forgotten by most Christians? Walter Brueggemann has written an original 4-session study for thoughtful Christians about the origins and radical call of Sabbath titled "Sabbath as Resistance." And Dorothy Bass has written an original 2-session study titled "Sabbath Practices." She offers thoughtful Christians concrete ways to reclaim these and shows how our lives can be enriched and faith deepened as we relearn them. Join us on Webex Monday nights from 7-8 pm, for 6 weeks beginning November 9. Login details available through Chalmers' website. **Please contact Rev. John if interested in participating.**

CHALMERS SUNDAY SCHOOL has moved ONLINE this fall! Every Wednesday night from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. Chalmers Sunday School is offering online programming in place of classes on Sunday morning. For login information please email chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com.

PIES, PIES, PIES! Ruth will be making Beef pies and turkey pies again this year, at a cost of \$5 each. Contact Maureen Bruff or Janet Bruce to order. ****Deadline to order: TODAY November 8.** Contact-free curbside pickup at the church in mid-November.