

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 no coffee Fellowship in the lower hall this morning due to the Advanced Polling Station.

AT A GLANCE: OCTOBER 13 - 20

- SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am
Library Open – 11:15 am
- TUESDAY** Care & Share - 1 pm
Seniors' Fitness - 1 pm
Session - 7 pm
Ukes of London - 7 pm
- WEDNESDAY** Knitting Circle - 1:30 pm
Reachout Choir - 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY** Choir Rehearsal - 6:30 pm
Praise Team - 8 pm
- FRIDAY** Seniors' Satellite - 9 am
Seniors' Euchre - 1 pm
Volleyball - 7pm (Supreme Courts)
- SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am
Library Open – 11:15 am
Tasteful Topics - 11:30 am
PAN Mission Packing - 1:30 pm
Parkwood Worship - 2 pm
Meadowpark Worship - 3:30 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Closed Monday, Tues- Fri: 12 pm - 3:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Oct 21:** Study & Discussion Group - 7 pm
Oct 25: Movie Night "Yesterday" - 7 pm
Oct 27: Soup'er Supper

TODAY'S HOSTS:

Bob & Mary Taylor
Greg & Susan Stevenson
Dan & Loretta Duffin

NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Marilyn & Dave McFadden
Torry Thibodeau & Heather Reid
Debbie Scott & Dennis Smedley

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Oct 13: No coffee - Advanced Poll
Oct 20: No coffee - Tasteful Topics
Oct 27: No Coffee - Soup'er Supper
Nov 4: Keith & Phyllis Johnston

COUNTERS:

Oct 13: Heather & Maureen
Oct 20: Doris & Yvonne
Oct 27: Heather & Maureen
Nov 3: Todd & Brenda

IN THE BOOTH:

Oct 13: Colin, Rick & Lizz
Oct 20: Tamy, Torry & Rose Marie
Oct 27: Tammy, Marilyn & Lizz
Nov 3: Colin, Isla, & Rick

IN THE NURSERY:

Oct 13: Leslee & Patricia
Oct 20: Cathy & Wanda
Oct 27: Dan & Jackie
Nov 3: Heather & Patricia

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

ALL AGES WORSHIP CELEBRATION

October 13, 2019—10:00 am

Thanksgiving Sunday



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

We are so thankful for our volunteers!

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Silent Prayer A time to be still and know the presence of God

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-2

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

All: and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving

All: singing joyful songs of praise.

★ Praise: *For the fruits of all creation* 802

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

God of mercy, we confess that too often we have failed to be grateful for what we have; to be satisfied with who we are. We have not welcomed others as we have been welcomed, or lived as forgiven, merciful people. We recognize within ourselves our jealous instincts, the reflex to be selfish, that constant need we feel for something more than we have. Hear us now as we make our silent confession to you.

Declaration of Pardon

The Peace May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm 100

Refrain: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come with thanksgiving, sing joyful songs; It is God who made us.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness come into God's presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God. The Lord made us; we belong to God.

We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving,

and God's courts with praise.

Give thanks to the Lord, bless God's name.

For the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever,

God's faithfulness to all generations.

Refrain: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come with thanksgiving, sing joyful songs; It is God who made us.

Choir Anthem: *We Bring Our Thanks* by Ruth Elaine Schram

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

Luke 17:11-19

Jim Gill

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

★ Praise: *Psalm 100*

Sermon: **Thanks be to God**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection *For all your goodness, God* 804

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts: *Grateful Heart*

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

Gracious and generous God, we present our gifts to you as a token of our thanksgiving for all we have received from your hand. Bless us as we give these gifts and multiply them, just as Jesus multiplied a few loaves and fishes to bless others. Use our gifts and our energy to grow the miracle of your love in our community and in your world, through the grace of Christ our Lord...

★ Praise: *Forever*

Celebrating with the Children and **The Lord's Prayer**

★ Praise: *We plough the fields and scatter* 807

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

★ *This symbol is used to invite people to stand. All songs and responses will be projected on the screens.*

Give
THANKS
WITH A GRATEFUL
HEART 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For healing and strength for Jack Webster as he remains in hospital receiving care.
- ◆ For healing for Blanche Gardiner who is at Parkwood receiving care for a broken hip.
- ◆ For healing and strength for Carl Suchard, a former member of Chalmers who is receiving care following a diagnosis of leukemia.
- ◆ For peace and healing for Ron Sumner as he recovers at home from a recent accident.
- ◆ For healing for Jules Mabondo as he recovers at home from recent eye surgery.
- ◆ 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 Eileen Reid, Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, and Ross Cole.

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**THANKSGIVING SUNDAY WORSHIP** is an all-ages worship service. A Sunday School program will be offered geared to children in JK to grade one, but is open to any children up to grade five needing to take a break from the service.

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TASTEFUL TOPICS: Our next Tasteful Topics will take place Sunday, October 20 following morning worship, with guest speakers, Sue Stepien of the City of London, and Deb Crowe of Age Friendly London to present on Seniors' Satellite. Suggested donation for lunch: \$10/person. Sign up list on the table in the narthex.

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**VOLLEBYALL:** Youth and adults are invited to join us for some recreational volleyball on Friday, October 18 at 7pm, at Supreme Courts at 11 Buchanan Court, London.

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CHALMERS MOVIE NIGHT: Join us for our next movie night on Friday, October 25 at 7pm for the lighthearted and entertaining movie, "Yesterday". All ages welcome! Please sign up on the table in the narthex.

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**SOUP'ER SUNDAY:** Join us October 27 following worship for a delicious soup lunch. Free-will offering received towards Chalmers' General Fund.



## October 13: World Food Day (October 16)

Yemen's four-year civil war has produced the worst humanitarian crisis on the planet and put thousands at risk of famine. Instability has disrupted food production and access, leaving women and men trapped in cycles of hunger, and children facing acute malnutrition. Staggeringly, conflict is named as the cause of acute food insecurity in 18 countries around the world. PWS&D responds to hunger by delivering food and nutrition assistance in times of conflict or disaster. In Yemen, PWS&D is supporting members of Canadian Foodgrains Bank to provide 1,100 hungry families with packages of flour, beans, oil, sugar and salt. "Hope has started to appear over the horizon," says Wardan, who is relieved to be able to feed her daughters again.

*PWS&D meets food needs in time of conflict*

## SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP October 13

"Honour the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine."  
Proverbs 3:9-10

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STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUP: A study and discussion group, looking at the book, "This Presbyterian Church of Ours" by John Congram, will take place Mondays from 7-8:30pm here at Chalmers, beginning October 21 and running to December 2. If you are interested in participating, please sign up on the table in the narthex.

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**CHALMERS OFFICE:** Wendy will be out of the office for a week's vacation October 14-18. Much thanks to Maureen Bruff & Lizz Thibodeau helping out in her absence. Please call ahead before visiting the office this week, as hours may vary.

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EVERYTHING CHRISTMAS SALE: Saturday November 16th - mark the date. Looking for bake goods, crafts, Christmas items (note only new or gently used).

LIBRARY NEWS

Love Letters in the Sand – by Diann Hunt
Well yes – this is a love story, but it has its twists and turns and ends up being a good read! Julia Hilton is engaged, but her dreams fall apart when her fiancé doesn't come home to her after the war. Julia is heart-broken and never seems to find a "Mister Right" after this until Lukas Gable comes into her life and she starts to wonder if love has found her at last! Most of you who know me know that I am not a romance story lover, but as long as there is an actual story in there, I can read a book about Love Letters! There are facets to this book that I just plain enjoyed. Check it out on the NEW BOOK shelf. I know you will enjoy it!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

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**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED** to the 50th anniversary of the dedication of St. George's Presbyterian Church, 1475 Dundas St., London on Sunday, October 20th at 10:30am.

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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION NIGHT: The Salvation Army is offering Human Trafficking info night for parents/guardians on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 from 7-9 pm at Westminster Park Community Church, 1190 Southdale Rd. E. Free tickets available through Eventbrite.

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**PAN MEDICAL MISSION TRIP - NOV '19**  
The PAN Medical Mission Team-Nov. 2019 would like to thank everyone for their support at the Spaghetti Supper last Saturday night. We raised \$2500. Our items that are still needed are tooth paste, tooth brushes and soaps. We are very fortunate to have the support from our whole church community in every way to make this trip happen. If you wish to order Fair Trade Coffee-\$15/lb (beans or ground) payment due with order. See team members Kristine, Chris Hardy and family, Linda Powers or Audrey Baldwin.



Anyone wishing to **PLACE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** throughout the year is invited to do so. If you wish these to be acknowledged, please let the office know by Thursday so a note can be placed in the bulletin.

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THE COPPER MAPLE LEAVES are placed in the sanctuary today in memory of Elmer Williams, father of Linda Bone.

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**CRIEFF HILLS CELEBRATION:** This summer Crieff Hills began a major renovation of Maclean Hall. It is now complete and we are ready to celebrate! Please come to a special dinner on Sunday October 20th at 5:30 pm. You will enjoy a lavish buffet and great music as we rejoice in a barrier free building complete with new ramps, bathrooms and automatic doors! Tickets are \$40 per adult and \$10 per child, payable at the door. Please RSVP to [programs@crieffhills.com](mailto:programs@crieffhills.com) or 1-800-884-1525.

## CHOIR ANTHEM

### We Bring Our Thanks

by Ruth Elaine Schram

We are your children, Lord.

We bring our thanks to you.

For ev'ry blessing, Lord, for ev'ry gift from You,  
for sun and rain, for fields of grain,  
in humble gratitude, we bring our thanks to you.

We are your children, Lord.

We bring our thanks to you.

For ev'ry blessing, Lord, for ev'ry gift from You,  
for budding flow'r, for gentle show'r,  
in humble gratitude, we bring our thanks to you.

For ev'ry good and perfect gift is from above,  
sent to the earth from the Father with love.

He freely gives of His wealth,  
gives us life, gives us health.

In humble gratitude, we bring our thanks to You.

We are Your children, Lord.

We bring our thanks to you.