

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for in-person worship this Sunday at 10 am. Pre-registration is required by Friday noon. 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 morning we welcome **Rev. Pieter van Harten** as worship leader, and **Kim Poser** as guest musician. Thank you for your service in the Lord.*

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: OCTOBER 10-17

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service	10:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Meeting (On site)	7:00 pm
MONDAY	The Ukes of London	7:00 pm
	Online Bible Study	7:00 pm
TUESDAY	Session Online Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pick-up	12:30 pm
	Knitting Circle (in Narthex)	1:30 pm
	Online Prayer	8:00 pm
THURSDAY	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

Wendy is in the office Tuesday—Friday mornings. Please call ahead before dropping by the church. Email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca or call (519) 681-7242 with any questions or needs.

Rev. John can be reached by email, on his home phone, (519) 681-9876 or his cell, (226) 919-9180.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

October 17, 2021

21st Sunday after Pentecost

In-Person Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

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

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship:

One: Today we worship God as Father,

All: our Creator and Provider.

One: Today we worship God as Son,

All: our Saviour and Friend.

One: Today we worship God as Holy Spirit,

All: our Wisdom and Strength.

Praise: *Come all you people / Uyai mose*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

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 Readings: Psalm 23

One: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;

All: he makes me lie down in green pastures.

One: He leads me beside still waters;

All: He restores my soul.

One: He leads me in the paths of righteousness

All: for his name's sake.

One: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

All: I fear no evil;

One: for thou art with me;

All: thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

One: Thou preparest a table before me

All: in the presence of my enemies;

One: thou anointest my head with oil,

All: my cup overflows.

One: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

All: all the days of my life;

One: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

All: forever.

Scripture Reading: Judges 7:1-22

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Praise: *Walkin' in the Light* by Joel Rockey

Lizz & Isla Thibodeau

Message: **God Says...**

Praise: *In His Time*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

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

Praise: *Follow me, the Master said*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

645 (vv. 1, 2, & 4)

Blessing

Musical Postlude

Come All You People (Uyai Mose)

Alexander Gondo

Uyai mose, ti namate Mwari
Uyai mose, ti namate Mwari
Uyai mose, ti namate Mwari
Uyai mose zvino.

Come all you people,
Come and praise your Maker,
Come all you people,
Come and praise your Maker,
Come all you people,
Come and praise your Maker,
Com now and worship the Lord.

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Spirit of the living God

Hymn # 400—Daniel Iverson, Michael Baughen

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God,
move among us all;
Make us one in heart and mind;
make us one in love:
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with
love.

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In His Time

Diane Ball

In his time, in his time,
He makes all things beautiful in his time.
Lord, please show me every day,
as you're teaching me your way,
that you do just what you say,
in your time.

In your time, in your time,
you make all things beautiful in your time.
Lord, my life to you I bring,
may each song I have to sing,
be to you a lovely thing,
in your time.

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Give thanks with a grateful heart

Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say "I am strong",
let the poor say "I am rich",
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
(repeat)

Give thanks, give thanks.

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Follow me, the Master said

Hymn # 645, vv. 1, 2 & 4—Anonymous

"Follow me," the Master said:
we will follow Jesus.
By his word and Spirit led,
we will follow Jesus.
Still for us he lives to plead,
at the throne will intercede,
offers help in time of need;
we will follow Jesus.

Should the world and sin oppose,
we will follow Jesus.
He is greater than our foes;
we will follow Jesus.
On his promise we depend;
he will hear us and defend,
help and keep us to the end;
we will follow Jesus.

Ever keep that end in view;
we will follow Jesus.
All his promises are true;
we will follow Jesus.
When this earthly course is run,
and the Master says, "Well done!"
life eternal we have won;
we will follow Jesus.

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SPECIAL PRAISE

Walkin' in the Light

Joel Rockey

*Walkin', walkin' I'm walkin' in the light,
walkin' in the light, oooo.
We can trust each other, oooo,
walkin' in the light,
we can see ourselves.*

It's a sad situation,
people running scared.
It's a crazy mixed-up world
when there's nothing to fear but fear.
So I keep ...

Well, we always walked in darkness,
forget about the day,
afraid to face our problems,
we're just hoping they go away.
So I keep...

Well, we finally pull our head
out of the sand,
it's the light and warmth of sunshine,
it'll never be dark again.
So I keep...

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Please Pray

- ◆ 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 is in hospital fighting an infection.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Doris Tuft** and a spirit of perseverance as she recovers at home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Leslee Johnston** as she recovers from surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he convalesces at home. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Barry May**.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Betty Smedley, Linda McPherson, and Ross Cole**.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Rev. Andrew Thompson**, the new Moderator of the Presbytery of London, and **Rev. Jim Patterson**, the new General Presbyter.
- ◆ 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.

ELDER NOMINATIONS: Chalmers members are invited to submit nominations for the position of elder. *Nominations will be received at the table in the narthex until Sunday, October 24. A list of members is available at the table for your information. If you are submitting your nomination(s) by email, please do so by October 24.*



October 17 - Keeping Hope Alive

For Palestinians, the olive tree is a symbol of their nationality and connection to the land. Cultivated for thousands of years, it is a major source of income for many Palestinian households. Between 1967 and 2009, over 830,000 olive trees were uprooted by Israeli settlers and military to build settlements and roads. In 2002, the Joint Advocacy Initiative launched the Olive Tree Campaign (OTC), inviting partners to sponsor olive trees as a sign of solidarity with Palestinian farmers. The OTC has supported 15,000 households with 200,000 olive trees, allowing them to maintain their lands, earn an income and keep their hope alive. The PCC has been supporting this life-giving project since 2018. In celebration of the campaign's 20th anniversary, organizers hope to plant 40,000 olive trees in 2022. They still need sponsors for 15,000 trees to reach the goal.

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

October 17

"It's better to tell your money where to go than to ask where it went." Farmer's Gazette

FALL BIBLE STUDY: Our online study of "*Being the Church Today*" by Emily Bisset resumes on Monday, October 18 at 7 pm.

KNITTING CIRCLE: Attention ladies who knit, crochet or do other crafts! We are a small group of knitters who meet at Chalmers Wednesdays from 1:30—3pm. We would love to welcome you to the group! Covid protocols are in place, and masks must be worn. ~ Christine Hunter, Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

Kings Meadow Romance – by Robin Lee Hatcher

Book 1: Love Without End

Kimberly and Tara Welch have been through a difficult time. The loss of a husband/dad who left them almost penniless has really taken it's toll on this mom and daughter. They move to a small town called Kings Meadow where Kimberley's friend Janet Dunn tries to help them get their lives back together again. Tara is an outdoor, active teenager who has been given a horse, and her mom visits a local ranch to see if they can find someone to help Tara take care of and enjoy her horse. Tara seems to be a natural and could it be that this will be a turning point for the mom and daughter. Chet Leonard is the owner of the ranch and enjoys teaching Tara the ins and outs of taking care of her horse, and encouraging her in her riding skills.

This series is – by its name – a romance series, and I really enjoyed reading about the ranch with its meadows and mountains to explore on horseback. Its history in the Leonard family, dating right back to 1864 pioneer days makes for a very interesting read.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Chalmers Birthdays this Week

Marilyn McFadden	October 17
Karen Dutton	October 19
Tom Vannus	October 19
Don McPhee	October 21
Dawn Bannerman	October 22
Gillian Cote	October 23
Rachel Mabondo	October 23

Much joy on your birthday!

POWER OF HOPE: Please join us in supporting the "Power Of HOPE" this Thanksgiving season. Contributions can be placed in in plastic bags or original packaging, and dropped in the plastic bin in the Narthex (Sundays) - the bin will be outdoors for contact-free drop off Tuesday to Friday mornings. Items most needed are girls' & boys' pajamas sizes 6 through 16. Toiletries such as shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes (children's), dental floss and razors (men & women) are in high demand. Children's underwear and socks and child size blankets are also welcome.

CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR: Join us Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for a relaxed time of fellowship. ZOOM, meeting ID 350 336 4073.

CHALMERS ONLINE PRAYER: Join us Wednesday evenings at 8:00 pm on Zoom. Link available through Chalmers' website. All welcome!

Year-To-Date Financial Snapshot

Reporting Date - September 30, 2021	
Actual Income	\$ 169,641
Budgeted Income	\$ 192,816 (straight line basis)
Actual Expenses	\$ 173,627
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 172,170 (straight line basis)

Deficit year-to-date is \$ 3,986 which is not unusual for this time of year under pandemic conditions. The "Canada Helps Donations" route continues to perform some \$ 10,000 above plan, and we are expecting good results from Thanksgiving contributions and fundraising initiatives later this fall. Expenses are very close to expected amounts. Please continue to uphold your congregation's financial picture in your prayers.

Respectfully,
Mark Ranson – Convenor Policy & Planning