

## 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.

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

Tasteful Topics takes place immediately following worship today, so there will be no coffee fellowship.

### AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER 22-29

**SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am  
Library Open – 11:15 am  
Tasteful Topics - 11:30 am

**MONDAY** Ukes of London - 7 pm

**TUESDAY** Care & Share - 1 pm  
Seniors' Fitness - 1 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 - 12:30 pm

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Library Open – 11:15 am  
Coffee Fellowship - 11:15 am

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Mon:** 9 am - 3pm & **Tues- Fri:** 12 pm - 3:30 pm

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Oct 5:** Ride for Refuge - 9:30 am

PAN Mission Spaghetti Supper - 5:30 pm

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

Andrea Bruce & Shirley Hall  
Ann Hunter & Helen Innes  
Yvonne Daniel & Amy Kemp

### NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Brian & Pat MacKay  
Linda Powers & Jeff Putt  
Charles & Kathy McCartney

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Sept 22: Tasteful Topics - no coffee  
Sept 29: Karen Dutton & Heather Reid  
Oct 6: Helen Innes & Debbie Scott  
Oct 13: No coffee - Advanced Poll

### COUNTERS:

Sept 22: Heather & Maureen  
Sept 29: Brian & Pat  
Oct 6: Todd & Brenda  
Oct 13: Heather & Maureen

### IN THE BOOTH:

Sept 22: Tom, Marilyn & Rose Marie  
Sept 29: Tom, Isla & Lizz  
Oct 6: Colin, Torry & Sue  
Oct 13: Colin, Rick & Lizz

### IN THE NURSERY:

Sept 22: Dan & Wanda  
Sept 29: Heather & Jackie  
Oct 6: Patricia & Laurie  
Oct 13: Leslee & Patricia

# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

September 22, 2019—10:00 am

15th Sunday after Pentecost



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
Tom Hunter  
Beth Hickey  
Wendy Sibley  
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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

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

**God of Great Wisdom, You are beyond our imagining, beyond our control, and sometimes beyond our comfort zone. You amaze us. You have given us more than we could ever earn or deserve, and in response, we are not only grateful but determined to be faithful stewards. Receive our worship this day, O God. Speak to us in the sounds and silence of this hour and amaze us once again in your presence.**

Declaration of Pardon

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

★ Praise:      *Praise to the Lord*      73 (v.1 Eng & Fr, v.2 Eng)  
*(Children & Teachers leave for Sunday school)*

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading:      Psalm 113

One: Praise the Lord!

**All: Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord.**

One: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

**All: From the rising of the sun to its setting  
the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

One: The Lord is high above all nations, and God's glory above the heavens.

**All: Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high,  
who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?**

One: The Lord raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
to make them sit with princes, with princes of the people.

**All: The Lord gives the barren woman a home,  
making her the joyous mother of children.  
Praise the Lord!**

Choir Anthem: *God of Great & God of Small* by Natalie Sleeth

Scripture Reading:      1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 4:16-21

Kim Poser

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

★ Praise:      *Blessed be your name*

Sermon:      **Good News to the Poor**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection      *May the God of hope go with us every day*      726

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts:      *We give thee but thine own*      661 (vs. 1 & 2)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**We praise you, God, because you raise the poor from the dust and you have blessed us with all we need to do your work. May the offerings we share today become a source of healing for a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the One who sends us out in love...**

★ Praise:      *When the poor ones* (762)

*(Children & Teachers return from Sunday school)*

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

★ Praise:      *Lord, whose love*      722

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.*

**CHOIR ANTHEM: *God of Great & God of Small* by Natalie Sleeth**

God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all, God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong, Alleluia, Alleluia, praised be Thy Name.

God of land and sky and sea, God of life and destiny, God of never ending pow'r, yet beside me ev'ry hour, Alleluia, Alleluia, praised be Thy Name.

God of silence, God of sound, God in whom the lost are found, God of day and darkest night, God whose love turns wrong to right. God of heav'n and God of earth, God of death and God of birth, God of now and days before, God who reigns forevermore, Alleluia, Alleluia, praised be Thy Name, praised be Thy Name.

# Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For healing and strength for Jack Webster as he remains in hospital receiving care.
- ◆ For healing for Lois Cummings as she recovers at home from recent surgery.
- ◆ 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 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.
- ◆ For the staff of the Pond Mills Branch of the London Public Library at 1166 Commissioners Rd. E. across the street just east of our church building, as they serve the people of our community.

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**THANK YOU:** To all those who have sent cards, well-wishes and prayers, following my gall bladder operation ~ a big thank you. ~ Brian MacKay  
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**MANY THANKS** to all who donated to the Terry Fox Run which took place last Sunday. It was a very successful event. Rev. John  
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**TASTEFUL TOPICS:** We are having our first luncheon TODAY following morning worship, with guest speaker, Karen Green of Power of HOPE, a community organization that provides teddy bears and pajamas to children in need. Suggested donation for lunch: \$10/person.  
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Our Mission Committee will be leading worship at **MEN'S MISSION** this evening at 7pm. If you are able to bring sandwiches or participate in the service, please indicate so on the sign up sheet in the narthex.



**September 22:** Committed to serving  
For over 90 years, Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre has offered empowering, supportive programs and services to the community of Little Burgundy in south-west Montreal. As one of the few English community centres in the city, Tyndale's programs include early literacy programs for preschoolers, after-school programming and day camps for school-aged children and life-skills training for adults. Located in an area that faces challenges related to poverty and has a high concentration of single-parent families, the centre is committed to ensuring that each member of the community has the opportunity and skills needed to realize their full potential.

*Presbyterians Sharing helps people realize their full potential*

## **SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP** **September 22**

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.  
*2 Corinthians 9:8*

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**RIDE FOR REFUGE 2019:** On October 5, join PWS&D in the Ride for Refuge - a fundraiser in support of PWS&D's maternal, newborn and child health projects in Malawi and Afghanistan. Cycle 25 km or walk 5 km. Ride begins at 10 am at Chalmers Church. To register or to donate, visit [ride.w-ith.us/London4Malawi](http://ride.w-ith.us/London4Malawi).  
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**PAN SPAGHETTI SUPPER:** October 5, 2019. Doors open at 5pm, supper at 5:30 pm. Cost: \$20/adult, \$10/child (ages 5-12), under 5 eat free, family price (4+) \$50. Silent Auction and door prizes to be won. Tickets available Sept 15 following worship and in the church office.  
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**POP CAN FUNDRAISING:** Thank you for supporting the pop can venture, which raises funds for our Youth Ministry. A total of \$119.10 has been raised thus far this year! There is a bin in the narthex for dropping off pop cans.

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

### **Traces of Guilt: An Evie Blackwell Cold Case** *by Dee Henderson,*

Dee Henderson is one of my favourite murder mystery writers. I find she manages to keep you guessing and interested for the whole book. This is no exception. Evie is a top investigator for the Illinois State Police and has been assigned to the small town of Carin to look into solving a cold case. Here she meets Gabriel Thane who is the local sheriff and prides himself on being good at his job. He tries to be open about Evie "moving in on his job", but as they talk and do some research into a couple of cold cases, he realizes that she is very good at her job, and that she brings a new perspective as she looks at the cases from a different angle. Great story – definitely a page-turner.  
*Christine Hunter, Librarian*

### **INTERGENERATIONAL STRIKE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE:**

London's City Council voted in April 2019 to declare a Climate Change Emergency. Fighting climate breakdown is about much more than emissions and scientific metrics - it's about fighting for a just and sustainable world that works for all of us. Come and join us outside City Hall on Friday, September 27 from 3-5 pm. Everyone welcome - bring your kids! No need to bring anything, just show up.

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**HOSTING/COFFEE TEAMS:** If anyone would like to join the Sunday hosting team and/or the coffee hour team please contact Cathy Spooner or Maureen Bruff. Requirements for both groups are 3-4 times per year.  
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**THANKSGIVING DECORATING:** Anyone wishing to donate items for our Thanksgiving/Autumn display in the sanctuary/narthex is encouraged to have these articles to the church before October 4. Items include pumpkins, gourds, any produce & flowers/plants. Items will be donated to Care & Share afterward. Thank you in advance. Pat MacKay

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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If you need a replacement **NAME TAG**, or if you do not have a name tag, please sign your name on the list on the name tag table and we will make sure you have one.  
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**ASSISTANCE NEEDED:** There will be an advanced polling station at Chalmers Church October 11, 12, 13, 14, and an election day polling station on October 21. Assistance is needed moving/setting up tables & chairs, and opening and closing the church for these dates. Please contact Wendy in the church office if you are able to help.  
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**VERITAS SERIES LECTURE:** Although the Truth & Reconciliation Commission has produced its report, much remains to be done to ensure all Canadians understand and implement its recommendations. Senator Murray Sinclair speaks on *The Future of Truth and Reconciliation* at King's University College, London, Thursday, September 26 at 7 pm. Free admission and parking.  
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**PAN MEDICAL MISSION TRIP - NOV '19**  
As our departure date is closer, our focus is clearer. Donations of Ladies underwear-small, baseball gloves, facecloths, plastic pencil cases, combs and soaps are the items that are needed. Thanks to those crocheting the cords, we continue to need those. Packing date: October 20. Any Questions, see Chris and Kristine Hardy, Linda Powers, Audrey Baldwin\*  
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*When giving to the PAN mission in the Sunday offering, please clearly mark your envelope "PAN Mission" Thank you for your support!*  
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