

## 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.

### AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER 29- OCTOBER 6

- SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am  
Library Open – 11:15 am  
Coffee Fellowship - 11:15 am
- MONDAY** Ukes of London - 7 pm  
Mission Team of Presbytery - 7 pm
- TUESDAY** Pastoral Care Committee - 9:30 am  
Care & Share - 1 pm  
Seniors' Fitness - 1 pm  
CE & Faith Development - 7 pm  
Policy & Planning - 7 pm
- WEDNESDAY** Knitting Circle - 1:30 pm  
Session Exec - 3 pm  
Mission Committee - 6:30 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
- SATURDAY** Ride for Refuge - 10 am - noon  
PAN Mission Spaghetti Dinner - 5pm
- SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am  
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 20:** Tasteful Topics - 11:30 am

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

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

### NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Host Needed & Wanda MacKay  
Abbey Poser & Anita Powell  
Jo-Ann & Ainsley Marshall

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Sept 29: Karen Dutton & Heather Reid  
Oct 6: Helen Innes & Debbie Scott  
Oct 13: No coffee - Advanced Poll  
Oct 20: No coffee - Tasteful Topics

### COUNTERS:

Sept 29: Brian & Pat  
Oct 6: Todd & Brenda  
Oct 13: Heather & Maureen  
Oct 20: Doris & Yvonne

### IN THE BOOTH:

Sept 29: Tom, Isla & Lizz  
Oct 6: Colin, Torry & Sue  
Oct 13: Colin, Rick & Lizz  
Oct 20: Tamy, Torry & Rose Marie

### IN THE NURSERY:

Sept 29: Heather & Jackie  
Oct 6: Patricia & Laurie  
Oct 13: Leslee & Patricia  
Oct 20: Cathy & Wanda

# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

September 29, 2019—10:00 am

Presbyterians Sharing Sunday



# Presbyterians Sharing

### 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

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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

One: We are god's servants working together.

**All: Together we serve our church and our world.**

One: Together we connect in ministry and mission.

**All: Together we share God's love with everyone we meet.**

One: Together we make a difference.

**All: Together we gather in worship and life our hearts in joyful praise.**

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

**God of forgiveness and grace; You call us to serve others, to love one another abundantly, to forgive one another unreservedly. We confess that too often we put ourselves first. That we limit love and forgive little. We do not allow our hearts to open to the possibilities around us. Forgive us when we refuse to follow your ways. Open our lives to your life-changing presence. Give us eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts to respond to your call in our lives. Help us not to lose sight of the people you have created us to be. Amen.**

Declaration of Pardon

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

★ Praise:      *Come sing, O church, in joy!*      757

*(Children & Teachers leave for Sunday school)*

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading:      Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

One: You, who live in the shelter of the Most High,  
Who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord,

**All: "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."**

One: For God will deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
and from the deadly pestilence.

**All: The Lord will cover you with pinions;  
you will find refuge under God's wings  
God's faithfulness is a shield and buckler.**

One: You will not fear the terror of the night or the arrow that flies by day,

**All: or the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
or the destruction that wastes at noonday.**

One: Those who love me, I will deliver;

**All: I will protect those who know my name.**

One: When they call to me, I will answer them;

**All: I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them.  
With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

Choir Anthem: *For the Least* by Wayne Wold

Scripture Reading:      Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15  
   Luke 8:1-3

Kim Poser

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

★ Praise:      *Draw the circle wide*

Sermon:      **A Field and a Future**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection      *Send me, Lord / Thuma Mina*      (v.1 Eng, v.2 Fre, v.3 Eng)      777

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Minute for Ministry: Live Streaming      Lizz Thibodeau

The Offering of Our Gifts:      *We are God's people*      472(vs.2 & 3)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**Loving God, we bring your our gifts, grateful that we have something to share, and glad to be part of a network of mission and mercy which circles the earth. Bless the ministries supported by *Presbyterians Sharing* as well as your mission within our congregation. Uphold them with these offerings and multiply their impact in the world you love, through Christ our Lord.**

★ Praise:      *You are the light*

*(Children & Teachers return from Sunday school)*

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

★ Praise:      *Go ye, go ye into the world*      755

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.*

# 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 healing and strength for Cyril Bone as he recovers at home from a recent medical procedure.
- ◆ 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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**THANKSGIVING LETTER:** Please pick up your Thanksgiving letter and giving statement from the mail slots today.  
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**RIDE FOR REFUGE 2019:** NEXT Saturday, 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 following worship and in the church office.  
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## September 29: Presbyterians Sharing: Together we make a difference!

New church development. Partnership. International mission staff. Theological colleges. Healing and reconciliation. Leadership development. Congregational support. And so much more! Today is Presbyterians Sharing Sunday, a time to celebrate the impact our church's mission and ministry programs are having across Canada and around the world. As we encourage and equip one another and teach about love, faith and hope, we proclaim the good news of the Gospel.

*Presbyterians Sharing puts faith into action.*  
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## SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP September 29

Money never stays with me. It would burn me if it did. I throw it out of my hands as soon as possible, lest it should find its way into my heart.

*John Wesley (1703-1791), cleric, theologian*  
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## HURRICANE DORIAN AID THROUGH

**PWS&D:** Donations are being accepted through PWS&D to help with relief and rehabilitation for the tens of thousands affected by Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas. You can donate through your church, by mailing a cheque to the PWS&D office or by calling 1-800-619-7301 x291.  
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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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**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.

## 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*  
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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  
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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\* *Fair Trade Coffee from El Salvador available from team members \$15/lb after worship.*  
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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. Note: content not suitable for children/youth under 16.

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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Have you considered signing up for **PAR (PRE AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE)**? It's easy to do, makes consistent offerings simple and can be stopped or adjusted easily. Offering is withdrawn directly from your bank account monthly. Forms are available in the narthex, or speak to Wendy in the office.

### FOR THE LEAST

by Wayne L. Wold

What can we offer  
to a God who lacks nothing?  
How are we to serve  
a God our eyes cannot see?  
Jesus has given us an answer to ponder:  
"What you do unto others, you do unto me."  
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For the least of our brothers  
and the least of our sisters  
have a place that is special  
in our Savior's heart.  
As we welcome and greet them,  
as we clothe them and feed them,  
we serve Jesus, who calls us  
now to listen and do our part.

Hear our vows and our pledges  
to serve those at the edges,  
those who suffer and cower  
in the dark of night.  
May God give us the Spirit,  
may we all clearly hear it:  
how our God is still calling us  
to listen and make things right.

Find the lost, find the least, make them  
welcome at the feast.  
"What you do unto others, you do unto me."