

WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Silent Prayer

A time to be still and know the presence of God

Call to Worship :

Living Faith 8.3.2

One: Love means seeking the best for others and is the mark of a Christian.

All: Love for God leads to love for others.

One: We cannot claim to love God, whom we do not see,
if we hate those about us, whom we do see.

All: Love of God and of neighbour fulfils the law of God.

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Declaration of Pardon

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

★ Praise: Joyful, joyful we adore you

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 146

**Refrain: Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation.**

One: Praise the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

One: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

All: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

One: Do not put your trust in princes,
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**All: When their breath departs they return to the earth;
on that very day their plans perish.**

One: Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

**All: whose hope is in the Lord their God,
who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them;
who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed;
who gives food to the hungry.**

One: The Lord sets the prisoners free;

All: the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

One: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

All: the Lord loves the righteous.

One: The Lord watches over the strangers,
and upholds the orphan and the widow;

All: but the Lord bring the way of the wicked to ruin.

One: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

All: Praise the Lord! R

Choir Anthem: The Gift of Love arr. Hal Hopson

Scripture Readings: James 2:1-10

Mark 7:24-30

Jim Gill

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

★ Praise: You are the light

Sermon: **The Royal Law**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

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Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts God forgave my sin / Freely, freely

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Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**With these gifts of money, Lord God, we glorify your name and strive to love
our neighbour, thus fulfilling the royal law. May we continue to do your
mission work with the gifts we give and the lives we live, through Jesus Christ
our Lord ...**

★ Praise: Everyone needs a little

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

★ Praise: Teach me, God, to wonder

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★ 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.*

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.

AT A GLANCE: September 9 - 16

SUNDAY	Worship - 10am Library Open – 11:15am Burger Bash - 11:15am Stephen Ministry - 7pm
MONDAY	Ukes of London - 7pm Worship Committee - 7pm
TUESDAY	Care & Share - 1pm Seniors' Fitness - 1pm
WEDNESDAY	Knitting Circle - 1:30pm Reachout - 7:30pm
THURSDAY	Early Years' Group - 9:30am Choir - 6:30pm Christian Ed. - 7pm Raise the Roof Team - 7pm
FRIDAY	Senior's Satellite - 9am Seniors' Euchre - 1pm
SUNDAY	Worship - 10am Library Open – 11:15am Coffee Fellowship - 11:15am Junior Choir - 11:30am

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9-12
Friday: 12-4

UPCOMING DATES:

September 22: Beyond These Walls
September 22: PAN Spaghetti Dinner
September 23: Tasteful Topics
October 7: World Communion Sunday

TODAY'S HOSTS:

John & Bev Coy
Lorna Wilson & Bill George
Murray & Lois Cummings

NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Betty & Peter Longmore
Todd & Brenda Webster
Heather Reid & Host needed

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Sept 9: Burger Bash
Sept 16: Phyllis & Keith Johnston
Sept 23: Tasteful Topics
Sept 30: Holly Williams & Helen Innes

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

Sept 9: Laurie & Jane
Sept 16: Leslee & Cathy
Sept 23: Dan & Wanda
Sept 30: Heather & Jackie

OFFERING COUNTERS:

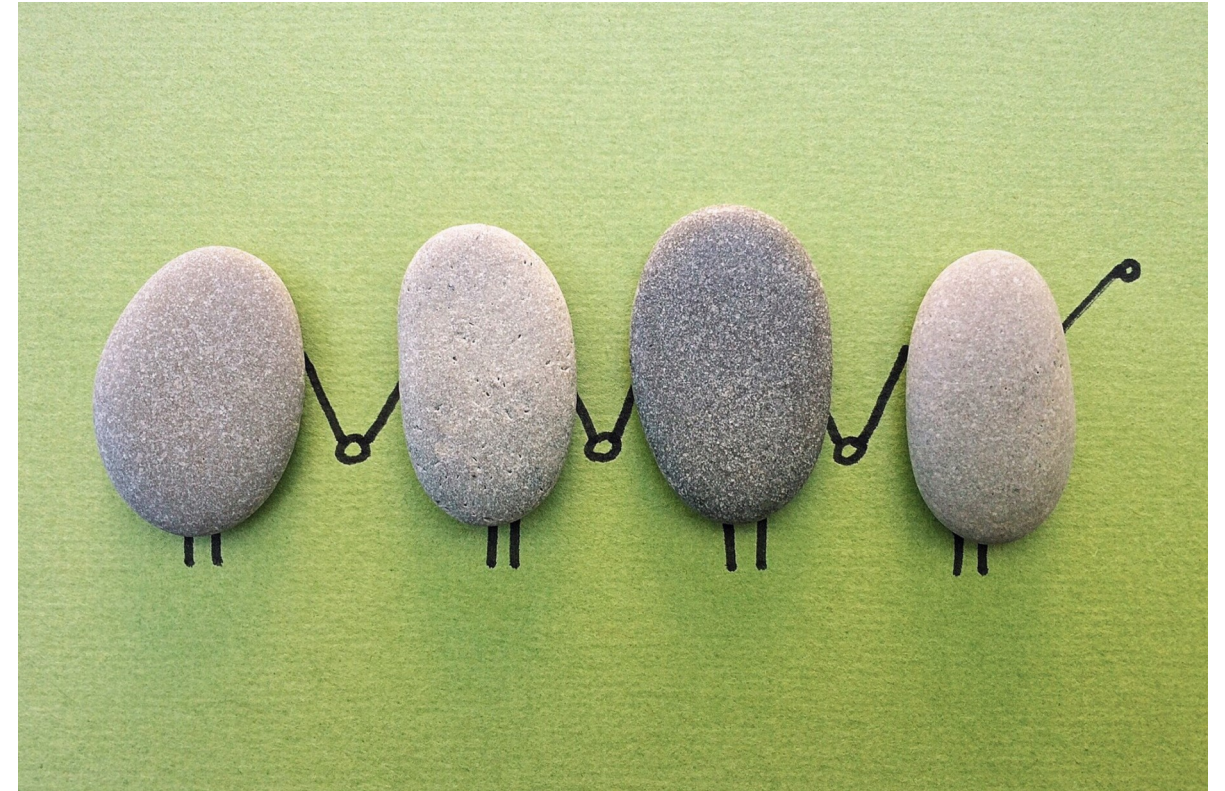
Sept 9:
Sept 16: Bruce & Joanne
Sept 23: Doris & Yvonne
Sept 30: Maureen & Heather



Chalmers Presbyterian Church

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 9th, 2018—10:00 am



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Lizz Thibodeau
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's peace and hope for Linda Bone as she deals with her cancer diagnosis
- ◆ For God to give strength, healing and peace to Roy Young who has moved to Oakdale Crossings
- ◆ For healing and strength for Wendy Lefler who is recovering at Parkwood.
- ◆ For God's blessing for Ross Cole, Doris Duskas, Maureen Gaskin, Linda McPherson, Margaret Middaugh, Eileen Reid and Daisy Herbert.

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I want to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, prayers, cards and visits during my recovery at Victoria and Parkwood Hospitals. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Blanche Gardiner

## **BURGER BASH! TODAY!**

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Join in Chalmers Annual Burger Bash Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Baked Beans and Ice Cream. Come and enjoy this free BBQ lunch directly after the service. Looking forward to seeing you there!

PAN SPAGHETTI DINNER

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*September 22nd. Doors open at 5pm, dinner at 5:30pm. Tickets are \$20 per person, \$10 for children 5-12 years, children under 5 are free. Tickets available after worship.*

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Chalmers is creating a new **CONGREGATIONAL PHOTO DIRECTORY!** Photography sessions are available Thurs Sept. 27 - Sat, Sept 29th, You can sign up on-line by going to booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ydh7hgvy/ or call the church office 519-681-7242.

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Sing God's Praise! We welcome new members! If interested, please contact the Church office!

**Senior Choir** - Thursdays 6:30-8pm (starting Sept 6) & Sundays 9:30am warm-up, 10:00 weekly service

**Praise Team** - Thursdays 8-9pm (starting Sept 6)

**Reachout** - Wednesdays 7:30-9pm (starting Sept 12)

**Junior Choir** - Sundays 11:30am-12noon



## **September 9: A learning experience in Cuba**

Theological education does not only occur in the classroom. *Presbyterians Sharing* supports mission and intercultural experiences for staff and students of our theological colleges. In 2018 two faculty members and 11 students from Knox College visited the Evangelical Theological Seminary of Matanzas in Cuba. After an afternoon of interacting with young Cuban kids, one student shared that "no amount of reading could have exposed us to their reality." Another student observed that "meeting with ministers, church members and youth and hearing the ways they seek to bring the hope of the Gospel into their communities and into the heart of their beloved homeland was a learning experience you cannot obtain through books or lectures". One way to experience the beauty of God's unfailing love is through encounters with God's people in a genuine and meaningful way. *Presbyterians Sharing supports theological students*

## **SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP**

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The stewardship spark is ignited when we know we hold a trust that was never entirely ours, and that this trust will be passed to others when we are finished.

Mark L. Vincent, Speaking About Money

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The Mission Committee will be providing a worship service and sandwiches at the **MEN'S MISSION** on Sunday, September 23rd at 7pm. If you are available to help, please let Rev. John or the committee know.

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FYI - we have two new exciting **RENTALS** sharing our space at Chalmers. On Thursday mornings our space upstairs will be used by an Early Years' group welcoming parents and young children. Tuesday afternoons we welcome GLO, a tutoring program for homeschooled high school students who want more formal instruction in Biology and French. The French class is being taught by Lizz Thibodeau.

LIBRARY NEWS

Hidden Places – by Lynn Austin

This story takes place in 1930 when money is short, and work hard to come by. Eliza Wyatt, a young widow with three children, has inherited a family orchard and after the death of her father-in-law is not sure just how she is going to make a success of running the orchard. She and her children are praying for helping angels to come along, when a wanderer knocks at their door and asks for any odd jobs he can do for a place to bunk down and a few meals. His name happens to be Gabriel Harper Well with a name like that the children are sure this is indeed their angel.

A wonderful story of the struggles families went through at that time, of family love and loyalty, and lots of hard work!

I loved this story. Christine Hunter, Librarian

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On September 29, join PWS&D in the **RIDE FOR REFUGE** - a cycling and walking fundraiser with locations across Canada - in support of PWS&D's maternal, newborn and child health projects in Malawi and Afghanistan. For more information, please speak to Rev. John.

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Canadian Blood Services desperately needs your help! Please bring hope to life's journey by donating blood. Mention that you're a **PARTNER FOR LIFE FROM CHALMERS** and give our **ID# CHAL673812**. To the young and healthy, it's no loss. To the sick, it's hope.

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**THE 37TH TERRY FOX RUN** for cancer research will take place on Sunday, September 16th. Rev. John will be running again this year. John is inviting you to make a pledge or gift payable to The Terry Fox Foundation. Tax receipts will be provided for gifts of \$20 or more. Pledge sheets are on the table in the narthex. Please consider participating this year by walking, running, wheeling or cycling in support of cancer research. Thank you very much for your support of this worthwhile cause.

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TASTEFUL TOPICS returns this month on Sunday, Sept. 23rd following worship. Our guest speaker will be Erika Ayala Ronson from Mission Services of London. Please sign up.

RAISE THE ROOF FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Please continue to watch the bulletin for future fundraising events for the Raise the Roof project.

Did You Know - The weekly offering envelope has a line item "**Please consider an additional gift to the Roof Fund**".

RTR FINANCIALS

\$105,306 – Funds as of August 27

45 – August PAR

135 – Funds received September 2

\$105,486 – TOTAL funds received to date

The fundraising team: Janet Bruce, Bob Finlay, Yvonne Daniel, Pat MacKay & Brenda Webster

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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 Lizz in the office.

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Join us for a **WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT** with The Rev. Dr. Karen Horst, November 9th-11th at Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre near Guelph. Women of all ages are welcome! Retreat begins with Friday dinner and ends after Sunday lunch. Cost is \$245 for double room, \$305 single room and \$180 commuter rate. Please see retreat brochure online or call to register 1 800-884-1525 www.crieffhills.com

Financial Report – As of August 31, 2018

INCOME:	
Offerings	\$135,506.10
Rent & Other Income	7,166.02
Total Income	\$142,672.12
EXPENSES:	
Committee Expense	\$ 2,816.40
Church Building	35,845.99
Manse	1,552.03
Office & General	7,591.73
Salaries	110,549.40
Presbyterians Sharing	15,437.16
Presbytery Assessment	3,139.50
Total Expenses	\$176,932.21
DEFICIT	(\$34,260.09)