

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Welcome to worship. Our services are in-person and live-streamed 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 Sunday we welcome **Rev. Dennis Cook** to lead worship.

This Week at a Glance: SEPTEMBER 11-18

SUNDAY	Livestream and In-Person Worship	10:00 am
MONDAY	Ukes of London Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom)	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Online Prayer Meeting	12:30 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm
THURSDAY	Chalmers Senior Choir Rehearsal Policy & Planning Committee Meeting (Zoom)	6:30 pm 7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Livestream and In-Person Worship	10:00 am

Office Hours:

Our regular office hours are Tuesday—Friday, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. Please contact the church office with any needs or concerns at chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca or (519) 681-7242.

Rev. Mavis Currie is Chalmers' Interim Moderator. For emergency Pastoral Care she may be reached at her office, (519) 631-2414, her cell (519) 680-1380 or by email, m.currie@knoxstthomas.ca.

Worship Volunteers:

	This Week	Next Week
HOSTS	Mary Vair Maureen Bruff Yvonne Daniel	Pat & Brian MacKay Muriel Bertling
A/V	Torry Thibodeau Isla Thibodeau	Tammy McRonald Rose Marie Finlay
Webex	Lizz Thibodeau	Lizz Thibodeau
Fellowship	Gord & Mary Vair	Marg Ward

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

September 11, 2022

In-Person and Livestream Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Interim Moderator

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
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Rev. Mavis Currie

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

One: The foolish say, 'there is no God.'

All: We come, trusting in Jesus, the face, the voice, the presence of the God who loves us.

One: The scoffers of our age ask, 'why do you seek after God?'

All: We come, in this time, because God's grace has spilled over into our lives.

One: The hopeless around us think, 'no one cares about me.'

All: We come, in this time, to this place, because Jesus has found us and brought us home.

Praise: *Come all you people / Uyai Mose (Eng/Shona/Eng)*

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

Praise: *God of mercy, God of grace*

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 8

One: O Lord, our God,

All: how majestic is your name in all the earth!

One: Your splendor is chanted above the heavens
by the mouths of babes and infants

**All: you have set up a defense against your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.**

One: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;

**All: what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

Continued...

One: Yet you have made them a little lower than the angels,

All: and crowned them with glory and honour.

One: You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

All: you have put all things under their feet,

One: all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

**All: the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

One: O Lord, our God,

All: how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:12-24

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Praise: Sing Amen *(English, Xhosa, English)*

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Sermon: God's 'YES'

Special Praise: *There is a Season* by B & S Poorman

Judith DeWitt

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *Freely, Freely*

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

Praise: *In the bulb there is a flower*

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Blessing

Postlude

(All hymn lyrics found on page 3)

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,
Come now and worship the Lord.

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God of mercy, God of grace

Psalms 66 paraphrase:
Henry Francis Lyte

God of mercy, God of grace,
show the brightness of your face.
Shine upon us, Saviour, shine;
fill your world with light divine,
and your saving health extend
unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise you, Lord;
be by all that live adored.
Let the nations shout and sing
glory to their gracious King;
at your feet their tribute pay,
and your holy will obey.

Let the people praise you, Lord;
earth shall then its fruits afford.
Unto us your blessing give;
we to you devoted live,
all below and all above,
one in joy and light and love.

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Sing amen

S.C. Molefe

Sing amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing amen. Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen,
we praise your name, O God .

Asithi. Amen, siyakudumisa. Asithi.
Amen, siyakudumisa. Asithi, Amen, Baba,
amen, Baba, amen, siyakudumisa.

Sing amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing amen. Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen,
we praise your name, O God .

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God forgave my sin / Freely, freely

Carol Owens

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share his love as he told me to.

Chorus:
*He said: 'Freely, freely you have received;
freely, freely give.
Go in my name and because you believe,
others will know that I live.'*

All power is given in Jesus' name,
in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share his power as he told me to.

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In the bulb there is a flower

Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower,
in the seed, an apple tree,
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning,
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing,
in our life, eternity,
in our death, a resurrection,
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

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SPECIAL PRAISE

There is a Season

By Berta & Sonja Poorman

Refrain:
*For everything there is a season,
for every season a plan.
For ever plan there is a reason
that time will help us understand.*

There's a time to learn,
a time to grow
and pass things on
even as we go.
A time to keep,
a time to give,
a time to love,
a time to live.

Refrain

There's a time for sadness,
a time for pain,
a time to find happiness again.
A time for joy,
a time for peace,
a time for life to be complete.

Refrain

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Chalmers Senior Choir

Chalmers Senior Choir rehearsals will begin again on
Thursday, September 15 at 6:30 pm.

Have you ever considered joining choir? New
members are always welcome! Please contact
Beth Hickey or call the church office if interested.



Please Pray

- ◆ For God's blessing for **Ken Hall, Vic Laursen, Betty Smedley, and Linda McPherson.**
- ◆ For God's comfort for **Laurie Spence Bannerman, Rev. John and family** with the passing of Laurie's father, Alexander (Sandy) Spence on Friday, September 9.
- ◆ For healing and a spirit of perseverance for **Shirley Hall** as she recovers at home from a fractured clavicle bone.
- ◆ For God's healing Spirit to strengthen and encourage **Leny Jongepier** as she recovers at Westmount Gardens from her recent surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Barry May** who was released from hospital this week and is convalescing at home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Brenda Bakelaar** who is in hospital due to a fall.
- ◆ For safety and blessing on all teachers and students who returned to school this week.

Chalmers COVID Protocols

Advanced registration is no longer required for Sunday services. We will continue with:

- 1) Masks are **recommended** in the building.
- 2) Physical distancing of 2 m maintained in the building at all times. *NOTE: the two centre sections of the sanctuary are now open for full seating. Physical distancing will be observed in the outside sections for those who still wish it.
- 3) Food & beverages are permitted in the building if numbers are kept to a minimum, and groups use their own disposable plates, napkins, cutlery and cups.



September 11: Inspired by the early apostles, the Rev. Mike Veenema launched REACH, a ministry that takes place in the streets, screens, homes and public institutions of Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley. REACH focuses on gathering people to worship and become disciples of Jesus Christ. Central to this ministry is Mike's willingness to go out and draw people together in worship where they are. As the Rev. Mike himself described, "Whether they are in custody, in long-term care, struggling on the streets, or in their homes, I go to where they are." Mike receives coaching and training support through Cyclical PCC, a church-planting initiative that is supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing.

Speaking of Stewardship

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.
Hebrews 13:2

Wednesday Prayer Circle

Chalmers' Wednesday evening prayer circle will be continuing each week on Zoom at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to join. Please contact the church office for the link, or visit the "Online Prayer Meeting" page of the Chalmers website.

Church Family Mail Slots are now open again in the narthex. Please check periodically for mail from the church and/or friends. Boxes are alphabetical by last name initial.

Library News

Calling all parents, grandparents and caregivers!

Check out the Reading Table in the Chalmers library. Every book on the table is a new donation to our library. Have a look, then sign out one or two that you would like to share with your child, grandchild, nephew, or niece. There are books for little ones, books for older children and even a few that would be ideal reading for a new reader. Talk to your library helper if you need help choosing, or signing the books out. There is nothing quite like sharing your faith with a little one, who is so anxious to learn from you.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Reece Daniel	September 12
Susan Stevenson	September 12
Jeff Putt	September 14
Nicole Walker	September 14
Mary Taylor	September 15
Sherri Hartman	September 16

Seniors' Satellite Programming Resumes this Fall here at Chalmers Presbyterian Church Friday mornings from 9 am—12 noon, beginning **Friday, September 23**. All Welcome!

If you do not have **Offering Envelopes** and would like some for 2023 please contact Wendy in the office this week.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- ◆ **Chalmers' Sunday School** is looking for teachers! If you can help on either a weekly or every other week basis, please contact Judy Steward.
- ◆ **The Christian Education & Faith Development Committee** is looking for members. This group meets on the first Tuesday of the month and is responsible programming and activities that promote Christian Education and Faith Development for the congregation. Some of these include Children and Youth Ministries, Adult Bible Studies, Workshops etc. If you would like to join us, please contact Linda Adamson.
- ◆ **The Pastoral Care Committee** is looking for two volunteers. This involves 10 meetings per year to oversee Stephen Ministry, pastoral care calls and cards, and funeral receptions post COVID. Please contact the office or Mary MacDonald, Convenor.
- ◆ **Hosting & Fellowship**—if you would be interested in being a host for our Sunday worship services, or helping serve refreshments after the service, please contact the church office.

Join the Journey for Hope!

On October 1, PWS&D encourages supporters to run, ride, walk or participate in any other activity to support food security programs around the world. This is PWS&D's first annual Journey for Hope. To form/join a team, please visit:

WeRespond.ca/journey-for-hope/