

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.** The service will also be livestreamed, and 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 WEEK AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER 26—OCTOBER 3

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestreamed Worship Service	10:00 am
MONDAY	Ukes of London	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
SATURDAY	Ride for Refuge	10:00 am
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service	10:00 am
	<i>World Communion Sunday</i>	
	Stephen Ministry Meeting (on site)	7:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Wendy is in the office Tuesday—Friday, 8 am to 1 pm. 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 on his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell (226) 919-9180.

Up to date information on services and activities at Chalmers will be provided through our website and on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

September 26, 2021

Presbyterians Sharing Sunday

In-Person & Livestream Worship



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

Call to Worship:

One: With wisdom and love

All: God created us.

One: With grace and compassion,

All: Jesus embraces us.

One: With ideas and inspiration

All: the Holy Spirit sustains us.

One: Together, let us worship God.

All: Praise the Lord.

Praise: *God of the sparrow*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

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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: Exodus 4:10-17

Psalms 146

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.**



Presbyterians
Sharing

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!

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:27-31

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Praise be to God.

Praise: *Seek ye first*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

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Message: Presbyterians Sharing Our Gifts

Presbyterians Sharing Videos: Prison Ministry in Malawi / Boarding Homes Ministry

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *Jesus' hands were kind hands*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

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

Praise: *Go out to the world*

(Lyrics on p. 3)

Blessing

Musical Postlude

*For we are God's servants,
working together.*

1 Corinthians 3:9

God of the sparrow, God of the whale

Jaroslav J. Vajda

God of the sparrow
God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

God of the rainbow
God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry
God of the sick
God of the prodigal
How does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life

God of the ages
God near at hand
God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

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Seek ye first

Karen Lafferty

See ye first the kingdom of God
and his righteousness,
and all these things will be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek and ye shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto
you. Allelu, alleluia!

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia!

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Jesus' hands were kind hands

Margaret Cropper

Jesus' hands were kind hands,
doing good to all,
healing pain and sickness,
blessing children small,
washing tired feet and
saving those who fall;
Jesus' hands were kind hands,
doing good to all.

Take my hands, Lord Jesus,
let them work for you;
make them strong and gentle,
kind in all I do.
Let me watch you, Jesus,
'til I'm gentle too,
'til my hands are kind hands,
quick to work for you.

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Go out to the world

Richard Cootes

Refrain:
*Go out to the world,
go out to the world!
Go out to the world
and proclaim the Good News!
And know that I am with you,
yes, until the end of time,
as you go out to the world
and proclaim the Good News.
As you go out to the world
and proclaim the Good News.*

Just as the Father sent me,
go out to the world!
So am I sending you,
go out to the world!
With the peace that I leave you,
go out to the world!
With the joy of the Gospel
in your hearts.

Refrain

You are the salt of the earth,
go out to the world!
A light unto the nations,
go out to the world!
A city on a hill
go out to the world!
Let the light of your goodness
ever shine.

Refrain

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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 **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** who is home from hospital.
- ◆ 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.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY:

NEXT Sunday, October 3, we will be celebrating communion together during worship. **NOTE: Pre-packaged elements will be provided.** **If you require gluten free, you are asked to please bring your own bread—you will be able to use the juice provided.*



September 26 - Sharing Hope Through Presbyterians Sharing

When we give to Presbyterians Sharing, we participate in God's mission together, expressing our faith through our actions and decisions. Together, we build strong congregations, serve vulnerable people, walk with Indigenous people, seek justice and share Christ's love around the world. We are there when a prisoner in Malawi discovers Christ's love through Bible study, and when a congregation adapts to meet community needs in new ways. We are there when a child receives a healthy snack and after-school support from an inner-city ministry, and when theological students in Canada, Malawi, Nigeria, Ghana and Beirut graduate, ready to shine Christ's light. On Presbyterians Sharing Sunday, we celebrate the mission and ministry we share together, as we proclaim God's love, hope, faith and grace in the world God loves. When we put our gifts in God's hands, God does remarkable things!

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

September 26

"Real generosity toward the future lies in giving all to the present."

Albert Camus (1913 - 1960), philosopher, author, journalist

RIDE FOR REFUGE: Join the Presbytery of London Ride for Refuge team on Saturday, October 2, as they ride/walk in support of PWS & D. We will be leaving the Chalmers parking lot at 10 am. Safety protocols will be in place. Please visit www.ride.w-ith.us/london to join us or to sponsor our team.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Pelican Harbor Series – Colleen Coble #3 - Three Missing Days

Jane Hardy, Chief of Police in Pelican Harbour has been called out to a house fire. The owner of the house is found dead in the house, and one of the firefighters also loses his life in the blaze. Jane starts to investigate and as she works through this happening, she gets deeper and deeper into a mystery that seems unsolvable.

On the back of this fire and the two deaths, Jane's son, Will is the last person to see his step-mother alive, and is accused of her murder.

This is a fast-paced, no holds barred story of a family vendetta that looks like it could destroy Jane and her family.

I initially found this 3rd book in this interesting series to be a little slow getting started, but when it does – it is interesting, exciting, and really keeps you guessing as to what is really going on here until the very last page!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

FALL BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Zoom Monday nights at 7pm beginning September 27. This is a 5 week study (we will not meet Thanksgiving Monday, October 11) of "**Being the Church Today**" by Emily Bisset. This resource seeks to help people explore some essential elements of our Christian identity, and leads congregations in reflections on what we do well and what we may need to pay more attention to in our life together. **Study materials available upon request. Link & registration on our website.**

Financial Report—as of August 31, 2021

INCOME:	
Offerings	\$113,114.06
On-line Donations	22,521.00
Rent & Other Income	12,440.91
Total Income	\$148,075.97
EXPENSES:	
Committee Expense	\$ 1,860.24
Church Building	36,891.37
Manse	458.40
Office & General	5,894.64
Salaries	85,173.62
Presbyterians Sharing	15,553.44
Presbytery Assessment	6,912.64
Presbytery Dues	5,136.45
Other Expense	1,905.00
Total Expenses	\$159,785.80
DEFICIT	(\$ 11,709.83)

CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE

Hour: Join us Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for a relaxed time of fellowship. We are meeting on ZOOM, meeting ID 350 336 4073 (same each week).

CHALMERS ONLINE PRAYER:

Join us Wednesday evenings at 8:00 pm on Zoom for a time of prayer for our church, our city and our world. All welcome. Zoom link available through Chalmers' website.

Chalmers Birthdays this Week

Rita McWilliam Sept 26
 Joyce Yull Sept 30
 Lorna Wilson Oct 3

Much joy on your birthday!