

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

LIFE AND MISSION

Chalmers Presbyterian Church...

**Built by FAITH,
strengthened through WORSHIP,
bringing HOPE to life's journey**

We welcome you to worship at Chalmers. If you are a first-time worshiper at Chalmers we reach out to you with hospitality and friendship in Jesus' name.

★ This symbol is being used in the Order of Service to indicate that the people will stand. All the worship songs will be projected on the screen.

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

A warm word of welcome and great thanks to **Anita Evans**, our guest preacher this morning. Anita has completed a Master of Divinity degree at Huron College, is a Presbyterian Elder and a Lay Preacher within The London Presbytery. She is a member of Oakridge Presbyterian where she is very active serving with the Alpha Program.

A special word of thanks to **Pat MacKay**, our guest pianist this morning.

There will be **no Sunday morning summer programming** for the children. However packs are available for children to use during the service. The packs are placed on the pew near the library with colouring, puzzles, and word searches.

AT A GLANCE! August 20 – August 27

SUNDAY	Worship -10am Library Open – 11:15 am
MONDAY	Summer Office Hours: closed
TUESDAY	Summer Office Hours: 9am-3pm Seniors' Fitness – 1 pm Stephen Ministry – 7pm
WEDNESDAY	Summer Office Hours: 9am-4pm
THURSDAY	Summer Office Hours: closed
FRIDAY	Summer Office Hours – 9am -4pm Seniors' Fitness – 9 am Seniors' Euchre 1pm
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The doors to our beautiful new Prayer Garden will be unlocked prior to and following our worship celebration. Enjoy.

Rev. John will be on holidays from August 10th until August 30th. The Rev. Keith McKee, the Minister of St. George's Presbyterian Church, will be providing emergency pastoral care while John is on holidays. His phone number is 519-455-5760.

Please note that the Life & Mission insert from the bulletin is available on the Chalmers website. www.chalmerslondon.com

Please *PRAY*

- ✓ For ongoing healing for Edith Ladd as she rests and recovers at home following a fall she suffered last week.
- ✓ For healing for George Smeltzer as he receives care and recovers at Victoria Hospital following recent surgery.
- ✓ Please pray for Daisy Herbert who is recovering with therapy in Parkwood Hospital.
- ✓ For healing and strength for Jack Webster as he continues to recover at home.
- ✓ For God to provide healing and pain relief for Dorothy Barfoot as she deals with health challenges.
- ✓ For God's healing and strength for Ron Sumner as he receives care at home.
- ✓ For God's blessing for Shirley Bakelaar, Ross Cole, Doris Doskas, John Gaskin, Maureen Gaskin, Martin McHardy, Linda McPherson, Margaret Middaugh and Eileen Reid.

RAISE THE ROOF – FUNDRAISING UPDATE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Silent and Live Auction - Saturday, September 30

We are looking for items for the upcoming Silent and Live Auction. Items can include services, products, gift cards, etc. - The options are endless! A sign up list is on the table in the Narthex for donated items for the silent and live auction. Letters are available for anyone to take to local businesses requesting a donated item.

FINANCIALS: Total cost of metal roof - \$125,000
Funds as of August 6 - \$61,577
Donations received August 13 - \$520
TOTAL Donations received to date - \$62,097
OTHER DONATIONS PENDING ...
Memorial Fund Donation - \$12,500

THANKS BE TO GOD!

The fundraising team - Janet Bruce, Yvonne Daniel, Bob Finlay, Pat MacKay and Brenda Webster

Coffee Fellowship Servers:

August 20: Keith & Phyllis Johnston
August 27: Marg Ward & Heather Reid

HOSTS for 20 August 2017

Lynn & Al Ball
Tom & Jane Vannus
Anita Powell
Host needed

Next Sunday's Hosts

Gail & Don Leitch
Ron Ladd & Roy Young
Linda Powers & Irene Thayer

Abbey Poser and Amy Kemp will be traveling to Guatemala as part of a presbytery team of ten young adults. They will meet with PCC partners in the region and witness the programs our church supports through PWS&D. The trip will focus on strengthening the church's partnerships, as well as educating the participants in the culture, realities, and needs of the region. Amy and Abbey leave August 19 and will return on September 2. You can follow their adventures at ChalmersLondon.com

LIBRARY NEWS



Hidden Springs Mysteries by
A.H. Gabhart

This is a trilogy of murder mysteries in a little town called Hidden Springs. This little town is pretty small – nothing ever happens here – there isn't even a signpost on the interstate pointing the way to Hidden Springs. The three books definitely need to be read in order, as you get to know the main characters as you read. I will just give you a little information about each to whet your appetite!

1. **Murder at the Courthouse** introduces you to the people who live in Hidden Springs, and those who visit regularly – because their relatives still live here. One morning a dead body is found on the courthouse steps. This is not a resident of the village; in fact no-one knows who it is! Thus starts an interesting, exciting story that keeps you guessing right to the end.
2. **Murder Comes by Mail** carries on the story of life in Hidden Springs – boring, uneventful until the deputy sheriff saves a man from leaping to his death from a bridge! The man then promises his rescuer that he will be sorry he didn't let him jump! Photographs are delivered to the deputy sheriff of one dead body, then another... was this man a serial killer, and where is he now? A very exciting story!
3. **Murder is no Accident.** One of the elderly residents of the town goes to live in a care facility, leaving her mansion empty. There are rumours of treasure hidden in the house and many valuable paintings. When the real estate agent falls down the stairs and breaks her neck, it is treated as an unfortunate accident... but the deputy sheriff just has an uneasy feeling about it and decides to ask a few questions.

I really enjoy Ann Gabhart's writing, and loved these books. The way of life that is fast disappearing, and the murder stories, mixed with a little romance made each of them an interesting, and exciting, read.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Real Faith: Are you between the ages of 18-30? Curious about your life, faith and the world? Keen to connect with other young adults? Join us! Together we will explore some of the big questions and topics that we encounter as we seek to follow Jesus in the world today. Real conversation, real people, real faith. Led by Rev. Jeffrey, Rev. Mavis and friends. To meet every 4th Thursday of the month 8-9 pm at Westmount Presbyterian Church. More information by contacting Jeffrey at 519-472-3443 minister.westmount@gmail.com or Mavis at 519-631-2414 m.currie@knoxstthomas.ca.

Vacation Bible Camp Mission Project

For the upcoming weeks we will be having a clothing drive for Teen Challenge Thrift Store which has just opened near our church on 1200 Commissioners Road East. We have chosen Teen Challenge as our Vacation Bible Camp mission, but we would like to include the congregation in order to have more support for this cause. If you would like to donate please bring in clothing/ shoes, dishes/cutlery and toys for children! Your support is appreciated!



August 20: Learning from partners in Taiwan

Nearly half of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan's membership is Indigenous. With support from *Presbyterians Sharing*, Carragh Erhardt (Healing & Reconciliation Program Assistant), the Rev. Dianne Ollerenshaw (Director of Regional Ministries, Synod of Alberta & the Northwest) and Lori Ransom (Healing & Reconciliation Animator, 2006-2011) represented the PCC at the PCT's International Forum on the "Mission of the Church in Taiwan Today." Afterwards they spent six days with PCC mission staff, the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean, and some of his Indigenous colleagues for mutual learning about experiences of reconciliation in Canada and Taiwan. Carragh shares, "I am grateful to the people we met in Taiwan for sharing their experiences and I look forward to continuing this partnership."

Presbyterians Sharing supports exchanges with international partners



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**WELCOME BACK**

**Chalmers Annual Burger Bash**  
**Sunday Sept. 10th**

**Join us for our Welcome Back BBQ immediately following the service.**

**Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Baked Beans and Ice Cream!**

**Free for Everyone to enjoy!**  
**See you there!!!**

### Speaking of Stewardship

We brought nothing into this world, so that we can take nothing out of it. *1 Timothy 6:7*

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Our nursery is getting a beautiful renovation. There are a few toys which are no longer needed or are not age appropriate. If you have donated one of these toys and would like to reclaim it, please check out the lower classroom following worship today. All remaining toys will be donated to a suitable organization.

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As the wildfires remain active in British Columbia, please pray for affected communities and first responders. Donations may be made to PWS&D in support of physical and emotional recovery for those impacted by the fires. Mail a cheque to the office, give through your church, donate online, or call 1-800-619-7301. Please mark donations for "BC Fires".

Learn more at [WeRespond.ca/bc-wildfires](http://WeRespond.ca/bc-wildfires).

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BE A CHALMERS' BLOOD DONOR! When you give blood at Canadian Blood Services, mention that you're a 'Partner for Life from Chalmers' and mention our **ID# CHAL673812**.

To the young and healthy, it's no loss. To the sick, it's hope. Donate blood to bring hope to life's journey for others!

Summer Camp Drivers Needed

Summer camp creates lasting memories, enriches a child's life and nurtures self confidence! Can you spare a few hours this summer and help a child get to camp? At the London Community Chaplaincy, we are looking for drivers to help get 100 kids to camp. Often camp begins or ends on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, but we also are in need of drivers during the week!

If you can help please call us at 519-685-2771 or email at chaplain@londoncommunitychaplaincy.com

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- ✓ For peace and protection for our men and women in the Canadian military serving abroad and in Canada. Please pray for comfort and peace for their families.

Today's hosts are Marilyn & Dave McFadden.

Chalmers collects **old and used STAMPS and pop can tabs**. All efforts provide wheel chairs for needy children. Look for the containers on the hutch.

**PAR** (Pre Authorized Remittance) offering cards may be found on the table in the foyer with the Sunday worship bulletins. If you are on PAR you may wish to place the offering card on the offering plate as it is passed as a way of participating in the offering of our financial gifts for the glory of God.

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There will be a time of refreshments and fellowship in the lower hall. The **striped mugs** at coffee hour are for visitors. Please help our visitors feel welcome.

