

WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Silent Prayer A time to be still and know the presence of God

Call to Worship PWS&D insert for Palm / Passion Sunday

Junior Choir: Sing Hosanna! by Joseph Martin

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Declaration of Pardon

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

And also with you.

★ Praise: Hosanna / How Great is our God (216)

(Children & Teachers leave for Sunday School)

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 118:19-29

One: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

**All: This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

One: I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

**All: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

One: This is the Lord's doing;

All: it is marvelous in our eyes.

One: This is the day that the lord has made;

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

All: O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, who has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

One: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

All: you are my God, I will extol you.

**O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Choir Anthem: Hosanna by Natalie Sleeth

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:28-40

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

★ Praise: All glory, laud and honour 214

Message: **Praise God**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection Praise him, praise him 372 (v.3)

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts **"Grateful Heart"**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. (Repeat)

And now let the weak say "I am strong", let the poor say "I am rich",

Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat)

Give thanks. Give thanks.

"Give Thanks" words and music by Henry Smith

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Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**Lord Jesus Christ, in your gifts to us, you have provided us the way to live and
serve you. In both your triumph and your suffering, you deserve our praise.**

**Through the gifts we now offer, we express our desire and commitment to serve
and to follow wherever you go...**

★ Praise: Blessed be your name

(Children & Teachers return from Sunday School)

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

★ Praise: Hosanna, loud hosanna 218

★ 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.*

Hosanna by Natalie Sleeth - Hosanna! Hosanna! In chorus let us sing! He cometh, He cometh to be our Lord and King. Hosanna! Hosanna! O blessed now are we. He cometh, He cometh, Our true Messiah, He. All glory, laud and honour to David's royal Son! He comes, the great Redeemer, the long awaited One. Hosanna! Hosanna! Let palms prepare His way! He cometh, He cometh, Let all rejoice this day! Hosanna! Hosanna! With palms prepare His way, He cometh, He cometh, Let all rejoice this day!

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.

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

AT A GLANCE: April 14 - 21

SUNDAY	Palm / Passion Sunday Worship & Sunday School - 10am Library Open – 11:15am Coffee Fellowship - 11:15am Junior Choir - 11:30am Meadowpark Worship - 3:30pm
MONDAY	Holy Week Prayers - 7pm Who is Jesus Study - 7pm
TUESDAY	Seniors' Fitness - 1pm Care & Share - 1pm Holy Week Prayers - 7pm Session - 7:30pm
WEDNESDAY	Knitting Circle - 1:30pm Holy Week Prayers - 7pm Reachout Rehearsal - 7:30pm
THURSDAY	Maundy Thursday Service - 7pm Choir Rehearsal - 7:45pm
FRIDAY	Good Friday Breakfast - 9am Good Friday Worship - 11am
SUNDAY	Easter Sunday Worship & Holy Communion - 10am Library Open – 11:15am Parkwood Worship - 2pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: noon - 3pm
Friday: Office Closed

UPCOMING DATES:

Apr 27: Leading with Care event
May 4: Healing & Reconciliation Event
May 25: 6K Walk for Water
May 25: Rodger Nishioka
May 26: Chalmers' Anniversary Sunday

TODAY'S HOSTS:

Debbie Latta & Linda Powers
Marilyn & Dave McFadden
Keith & Phyllis Johnston

NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Dan & Loretta Duffin
Mark Ransom & Heather Reid
Tammy & Jay McDonald

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Apr 14: Holly Williams & Sue Garner
Apr 21: Easter Sunday
Apr 28: Gail McHardy-Leitch & Don Leitch
May 5: Keith & Phyllis Johnston

COUNTERS:

Apr 14: Heather & Maureen
Apr 21:
Apr 28: Brian & Pat
May 5: Todd & Brenda

IN THE BOOTH:

Apr 14: Colin, Rick & Marilyn
Apr 21: Tom, Torry & Sue
Apr 28: Tom, Lizz & Rose Marie
May 5: Tammy, Isla & Lizz



Chalmers Presbyterian Church

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Palm / Passion Sunday
April 14th, 2019—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 comfort for Linda Thayer and her family as they grieve the unexpected passing of her mother Irene Thayer. We are saddened by her death and we thank God for her life and faith.
- ◆ For God's healing for Laurie MacNeill who is recovering at home following shoulder replacement surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for Jean Cassidy, a member of our church family, who is recuperating at Parkwood Hospital following major leg surgery.
- ◆ For God's peace for the family and friends of the 50 people murdered in the two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand, and for a sense of solidarity and support for our Muslim neighbours in this community.
- ◆ 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 Daisy Herbert, Eileen Reid, Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, and Ross Cole.

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"WHY TRUTH & RECONCILIATION MATTERS", an experiential mission event, will be held at Chalmers on Sat., May 4th, 2019 from 9:30am - 3pm. \$15 per participant includes a traditional First Nation's lunch. Please RSVP online at [ChalmersLondon.com](http://ChalmersLondon.com) or [ChalmersPresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:ChalmersPresbyterian@bellnet.ca).

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JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST!!!! Good Friday April 19th, 9 - 10:30am in the Lower Hall. The cost is \$5/person, \$15/family, kids 5 and under Free. Come enjoy a feast of eggs, sausage, toast, pancakes, tea/coffee and juice. Looking forward to seeing you there! Sign up sheet in narthex. If you would like to help with the event, we would love to have you, volunteer sign up available.

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Anyone wishing to donate **FRESH FLOWERS** (no highly scented flowers, please) for the sanctuary on Easter Sunday may bring them on Easter morning and place them in the General Office. Jeff Putt has kindly offered to place flowers / plants around the sanctuary. Please take your plants / flowers back home with you following the service. Many thanks!



## April 14: Creating community for new Canadians

Life in Christ Ministry provides support and assistance for Arabic and Farsi speaking refugees living in the Greater Toronto Area. Each year, the ministry offers a New Beginnings Training Program that provides practical workshops aimed at helping refugees adapt to local Canadian communities, including learning English and developing other life skills. By offering games and activities for children at the same time as adult workshops, the program responds to the need for parents to attend programs with their children. In addition, the program provides meaningful job opportunities for students and volunteers.

*Presbyterians Sharing welcomes refugees*

## SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving. *W.T. Purkiser (1910-1992), preacher, scholar, author*

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It is with mixed emotions that we inform you that Lizz Thibodeau will be resigning from her position as Office Administrator of Chalmers, effective June 21, 2019. We sincerely thank Lizz for all of her excellent work in the office and wish her all the best as she transitions back to teaching.

JOB VACANCY – OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

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Chalmers Presbyterian Church is currently recruiting an Office Administrator. This position will work 20 hours per week from the 4<sup>th</sup> week of August to mid-June. Summer hours will be reduced to 12-15 hours per week. For more information on this position (duties and qualifications), please visit the Chalmers website – [ChalmersLondon.com](http://ChalmersLondon.com). Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume no later than April 26 to [lthibodeau@bellnet.ca](mailto:lthibodeau@bellnet.ca)

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We will be celebrating the **122ND ANNIVERSARY** of the founding of Chalmers PC during worship on Sunday, May 26th. Please mark this date on your calendar.

LIBRARY NEWS

Predator – by Teri Blackstock

Teri Blackstock writes a great murder mystery and this is no exception. Krista Carmichael's sister has been murdered by an on-line predator, and when Krista starts to try and find out how this happened she discovers that the social media network Grapevyne seems to be at the root of the problem. In doing her research she meets up with Ryan Adkins who started this network and the two start working together to see how much information they can unearth, and then what to do with this information. This story keeps you awake, and biting your fingernails into the wee hours as you try to read "just one more chapter"!!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

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Chalmers Presbyterian Church has an immediate need for a **COMMITTEE CONVENER** to manage the church and manse buildings for a 3 year term. This person will need to be available during Monday to Friday business hours and two evenings each month to attend committee meetings.

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Copies of the approved **CONGREGATIONAL BUDGET** are on the table in the narthex. Please remember that your givings to the general fund support the mission and ministries of our church in the local community and around the world. Please prayerfully consider increasing your givings in 2019. Together we can reach this goal as we participate in God's mission in the world.

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**ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - BEEF SUPPER.** Wednesday, April 24th, 4:30-7pm. \$15 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 6-12). For tickets call Joan Mansell 519-631-1623 or Nancy Newell 519-765-4333.

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VBC COORDINATOR WANTED. Get involved with VBC - Vacation Bible Camp at Chalmers. We are looking for one or two individuals interested in coordinating and leading a great group of volunteers through a fun-filled week with children from Chalmers and the community. VBC planning will begin soon for this wonderful week in July (July 15-19). Please contact on of the Outreach Member to find out more: Kim Poser, Rick Cote, Heather DeHook, Karen Dutton & Chris Hardy.

Join us for our May Manna Day, The Power of Welcome, with the Rev. Theresa McDonald-Lee on Thursday, May 23 from 10:30am to 3pm at **CRIEFF HILLS RETREAT CENTRE**. Come and hear stories from across Canada of biblically-rooted hospitality and vibrant Presbyterian camping and retreat ministries. We might even sing a few camp songs too! Cost is \$25(includes lunch) and can be paid at the door, but please register before May 9 by contacting us at programs@crieffhills.com or 1-800-884-1525. Come early and walk the trails or our outdoor labyrinth. We look forward to seeing you!

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The **PAN MEDICAL MISSION TEAM** is looking for left over cotton/cotton blend material to make bags for our clinics in Nov.2019. Any colour will work. Proposed finished size 6x8". Please contact Audrey Baldwin

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Attention Parents, grandparents, Sunday school teachers, youth leaders, and clergy: **SATURDAY MAY 25TH, 2019 IS A DAY FOR FAITH FORMERS IN THE LONDON PRESBYTERY!** With Rodger Nishioka, renowned author, speaker, and faith formation specialist in the Presbyterian Church, USA. This event is generously sponsored by the Presbytery of London. More information coming soon.

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**CROSSWALK** - An interactive, personal journey through the events of Holy Week. This journey of personal meditation will take between 20-30 minutes to complete. Join us anytime between 6pm & 8pm today, April 14th. St. James Presbyterian Church, 44936 Ferguson Line, St. Thomas. If you have questions, call Andrea at 519-471-0689) or visit [www.facebook.com/StJamesNorthYarmouth](http://www.facebook.com/StJamesNorthYarmouth).

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The **WORLD VISION GLOBAL 6K WALK** will be held on Sat., May 25th. The walk kicks off from Chalmers at 10:00am. Please consider taking part in the walk or pledge your financial support for someone from our congregation who is doing the walk. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex.