#### **WE APPROACH GOD**

Musical Prelude

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

Call to Worship

One: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

All: By the great mercy of God we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Peter 1:3)

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: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord (260)

(Children & Teachers leave for Sunday School)

#### **WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 150

Refrain: Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,

praise the Lord with the harp and lute,

praise the Lord, never let your voice be still.

One: Praise the Lord!

All: Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in the mighty firmament!

One: Praise God for mighty deeds;

praise God according to surpassing greatness!

All: Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with lute and harp!

Praise God with tambourine and dance;

praise God with strings and pipe!
Praise God with clanging cymbals;

praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

One: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord!

Choir Anthem: We have seen the risen Lord by Stan Pethel

Scripture Readings: Acts 4:32-35

John 20:19-31 Rick Cote

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One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**★** Praise: Jesus is risen from the grave 254 (1-4,7)

Sermon: **Jesus and Thomas** 

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection He is Lord 252

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts God, whose giving knows no ending 663 (1&3)

(tune: Austria)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**★** Praise: Go out to the world

(Children & Teachers return from Sunday School)

Celebrating with the Children and The Lord's Prayer

**★** Praise: Now let the vault of heaven resound 255

**★**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.

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.

# AT A GLANCE: April 8 - 15

SUNDAY Worship – 10am

Library Open – 11:15am Coffee Fellowship - 11:15am Stephen Ministry Info - 11:30am

Stephen Ministry - 7pm

MONDAY Ukes of London - 7pm

Worship Committee - 7pm

TUESDAY Seniors' Fitness - 1pm

Care & Share - 1pm

WEDNESDAY Knitting Circle - 1:30pm

Reachout - 7:30pm

THURSDAY Choir Rehearsal - 6:30pm

Outreach & Comm. - 6:30pm

FRIDAY Seniors' Fitness - 9am

Seniors' Euchre - 1pm

SUNDAY Worship - 10am

Library Open – 11:15am Tasteful Topics - 11:30am Youth Group - 12:30pm Parkwood Worship - 2pm Meadowpark Worship - 3:30pm

## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday: 9-12

Friday: 12-4

### **UPCOMING DATES:**

April 15: Tasteful Topics April 22: RTR Italian Lunch

April 27: Volleyball at 6pm (time change!)

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

Todd & Brenda Webster Lynn & Al Ball

Tom & Jane Vannus

# **NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:**

Keith & Phyllis Johnston Mark Ranson & Roy Young Maureen Bruff & Anita Powell

## **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:**

April 8: Sherri & Kevin Hartman

April 15: Tasteful Topics

April 22: Debbie Scott & Holly Williams April 29: Dave & Marilyn McFadden

# **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:**

April 8: Cathy Spooner & Joycie April 15: Heather deHoog & Torry April 22: Leslee Johnston & Winter April 28: Patricia Matesik & Hailee

# **OFFERING COUNTERS:**

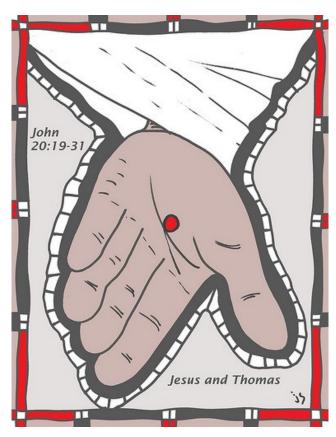
April 8: Maureen & Heather April 15: Brian & Pat April 22: Doris & Heather April 29: Doris & Yvonne



# **Chalmers Presbyterian Church**

#### **WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

2nd Sunday of Easter April 8th, 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 Wendy Lefler who had surgery recently, and for her husband George.
- ◆ For God's peace for Martin McHardy as he receives care at the St. Thomas Elgin Hospital.
- ◆ For God's blessing for Shirley Bakelaar, Ross Cole, Doris Doskas, Maureen Gaskin, Linda McPherson, Margaret Middaugh, Eileen Reid and Daisy Herbert.
- 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.

Tickets for the Raise the Roof **PASTA LUNCH** will be sold today in the lower hall directly after church. \$15/person, \$5/children 13 yrs old and younger. Come down and get your tickets today!

Our next **TASTEFUL TOPICS** will be April 15th, following worship. Our speaker will be Ericka Ayala Ronson from Mission Services of London

The Glen Cairn Resource Centre is starting **COMMUNITY SERVICE DAYS** and Chalmers has been asked to prepare a pot of soup and one or two volunteers to serve one Tuesday a month from 10am-2pm. Please sign up in the narthex if you are able to help.

The LONDON CHRISTIAN PRAYER
BREAKFAST will be held on Thursday, May
3rd from 7:15-9am at the Lamplighter Inn and
Conference Centre in London. The guest
speaker will be Dr. Preston Pouteaux, pastor,
speaker, writer and curator of conversations
about faith and neighbourhoods. We are
considering a Chalmers table for Ten.
Advanced tickets are \$30 each. Please speak
to Rev. John or sign up on the sheet on the
table in the narthex.

**INCOME TAX REFUND?** Please consider giving a tithe (10%) of any income tax refund you may receive to the general fund of Chalmers and/or the Raise the Roof fund.



#### **April 8: A healing ministry**

Sharing, Kenora Through Presbyterians Fellowship Centre is nurturing healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Also called Anamiewigummig, meaning "House of Prayer", the centre provides sanctuary and hospitality for people marginalized and alienated by poverty and addiction. A weekly worship service held on Sunday afternoons often includes a sharing circle, drumming and the sharing of traditional foods. Through a drop-in centre, detoxification programs, street patrol, and soup kitchen, each day the hardworking staff share God's love as well as friendship, community, and solidarity. This ministry represents a place of hope for healing and wholeness and serves as a model of Christian community for the wider church.

Presbyterians Sharing walks with Indigenous peoples

#### SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

Gratitude is an opener of locked-up blessings. *Marianne Williamson (b.1962), author* 

There will be a **STEPHEN MINISTRY INFORMATION SESSION** today for those who may be considering serving as a Stephen Minister at Chalmers. The information session will be from 11:30am to 12:15pm and a light lunch will be served.

Compass Community Church is offering a **FREE TAX CLINIC** for individuals and families with no or modest income: students, pensioners, single parents, newcomers to Canada. Starting March 8th, every Wednesday noon - 9pm and Thursday 9am - noon through March & April 2018.

Chalmers' Session has agreed to allow **GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL CHURCH,** a small congregation of about 10 people, to use our lower classroom for worship on Sunday mornings, beginning today. Please make our brothers & sisters in Christ feel welcome.

#### LIBRARY NEWS

<u>Another Dawn</u> – by Kathryn

Cushman

Grace's father is going into hospital to have knee surgery.

Grace's sister Jana has always been the one to be there for any family emergencies, but this time Jana feels it is Grace's turn! Jana has a young daughter, and is feeling overwhelmed already with the cares and upheaval a new baby can cause. Grace's son is 7 years old, and life is much more stable for that part of the family ..... but is it! Grace reluctantly agrees to take a break from work and come look after her father. Grace also has the reputation of being the one who takes off whenever anything gets tough. And tough it gets! Unbeknownst to Grace her son has been exposed to measles before he left their home town – a disease that is almost unknown these days! Please read this book and see the effect of this on the local community - and will Grace up and leave again when the going gets touah?

Church Library

I really enjoyed this book, and felt for all sides involved. Christine Hunter, Librarian

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.

**BLOOD DONORS** are urgently needed in London. When you donate, 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. Donate blood to bring hope to life's journey for others.

Did You Know? The 121st
ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY worship
celebration for Chalmers Presbyterian
Church will be held on Sunday, April
22nd.

### RAISE THE ROOF FUNDRAISING UPDATE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS ... Sunday, April 22 - Italian Lunch - The menu will consist of salad, penne pasta with various sauces, breads/rolls, dessert and tea and coffee. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children age 13 and under. They can be purchased in the lower hall following the service. NOTE: We will accommodate special dietary restrictions (i.e. gluten free, vegetarian) Volunteers are needed for the Pasta Lunch setup, kitchen and clean-up. If you are able to assist please add your name to the sign up list on the table in the Narthex. Thank-vou! Did You Know - The weekly offering envelope has a line item "Please consider an additional gift to the Roof Fund".

RTR FINANCIALS

\$94,591 - Funds as of March 26

515 – Funds received April 1

\$95,106 - TOTAL funds received to date

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

**CAMPERSHIP** funding request forms for Camp Kintail are now available in the Narthex.

