

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

**Welcome to Worship.** Our service today will be in-person and livestreamed through our website at ChalmersLondon.com. If you are visiting with us, please fill out a visitor card, found in the pews, and drop it in the offering plate or the visitor card basket on the information table.

*Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall immediately following worship today.*

### This Week at a Glance: APRIL 21-28

<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship Stephen Ministry (in person)	10:00 am 7:00 pm
<b>MONDAY</b>	Ukes of London FUNDrive Drop off	7:00 pm 1:00—3:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle FUNDrive Drop Off Reachout Rehearsal	12:00 pm 1:00 pm 1:00—3:00pm 7:00 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Senior Satellite Programming FUNDrive Drop Off	9:00 am 1:00—3:00pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship Ministry Expo (during Coffee Hour) Funeral—Ed & Janice Carrier	10:00 am 11:15 am 2:00 pm

**Church Office Hours:** The church office is closed Mondays, and open Tuesday to Friday, 8:30 am –2:30 pm. Call 519-681-7242 or email [office@chalmerslondon.com](mailto:office@chalmerslondon.com) with any questions or admin needs. **NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:** For any church related communications, please use the following email for Rev. Andrew going forward: [athompson@chalmerslondon.com](mailto:athompson@chalmerslondon.com)

**NOTE:** for the week of April 22, the office will be open Monday instead of Wednesday.

### Volunteers: APRIL 21 APRIL 28

<b>HOSTS</b>	Keith Johnston Phyllis Johnston Yvonne Daniel	Marg Ward Maureen Bruff Islay Thibodeau
<b>AUDIO VISUALS</b>	Bob Finlay Rose Marie Finlay Josiah Duffin	Torry Thibodeau Islay Thibodeau Lizz Thibodeau
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	Tom & Jane Vannus	Brian & Pat MacKay
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	Linda Adamson	Sarah Thompson, Linda Adamson

## CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

April 21, 2024

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
Lizz Thibodeau  
Beth Hickey  
Wendy Sibley  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Andy Thibodeau

Call to Worship:

One: Jesus the Christ said, I am the Good Shepherd.

**All: We have come to follow him.**

One: We gather in the name of the One who leads us by still waters.

**All: We have come to be restored in him.**

One: We gather in the name of the One who prepares a banquet for us.

**All: We have come to be fed by his love, so let us worship God.**

**Hymn of Praise:** *Saviour, like a shepherd lead us*

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Prayers of Adoration & Confession & **The Lord's Prayer**

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace: One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

Choir Anthem: *The New 23rd* by Ralph Carmichael

Celebrating with the Children

**Hymn of Praise:** *What a beautiful name*

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: Psalm 23 NKJV (unison)

**All: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.**

**He makes me to lie down in green pastures:**

**he leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul:**

**he leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I will fear no evil: for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies:**

**you anoint my head with oil: my cup runs over.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:**

**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Scripture Reading: John 10:7-18

Yvonne Daniel

ONE: The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Message:** **The Good Shepherd**

**Hymn of Praise:** *The Lord's my Shepherd (Psalm 23)*

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

**Offering Praise:** *Give thanks with a grateful heart*

Offering Prayer and Prayers of the People

**Hymn of Praise:** *My shepherd is the King of love*

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Commissioning & Benediction

**Benediction Song:** *He is Lord*

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Instrumental Postlude

**CHOIR ANTHEM: The New 23rd** by Ralph Carmichael

Because the Lord is my shepherd, I have everything that I need.

He lets me rest in meadows green and leads me beside the quiet stream;

He keeps on giving life to me and helps me to do what honours Him the most.

Even when walking thru the dark valley of death, I will never be afraid,

for He is close beside me, guarding, guiding all the way,

He spreads a feast before me In the presence of my enemies

He welcomes me as His special guest with blessing overflowing.

His goodness and unfailing kindness shall be with me all of my life,

and afterwards, I will live with Him forever in His home.

## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's comfort, relief from pain, and healing for **Mary M**, who continues her rehabilitation therapy at Parkwood.
- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Barry M** who is recovering at home— also daily strength for Edna as she cares for him.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Odette M**.
- ◆ For strength and healing for **Jeanne F** as she deals with several health concerns.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles M**, who is dealing with many health concerns; pray also for strength for Cathy as she cares for him.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Beverley E, Jim G, Helen L, Jackie H, Leny J, Laura M, Betty S, Bill C**.

## Announcement

It is with sadness that we announce the resignation of **Wendy Sibley**, our Chalmers Office Administrator, effective April 26, 2024. During the last 22 months Wendy has served the church in a faithful and exceptional, professional manner. We will miss her and we pray that she will be blessed in all her future endeavors.



Join us for Ladies' Night for **Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 pm**. The theme will be rock painting and chocolate night (and, of course, fellowship!) Don't forget your loonies for the raffle. All ladies welcome—bring a friend! Sign up today in the narthex.

## Mission Moment

**April 21:** In the Kushkak village in Afghanistan, 42-year-old Guljan lived a simple life with her husband and four children until one day in October 2023, when an earthquake struck their village. Guljan lost her husband and 11-year-old son. After the disaster, she encountered significant challenges in getting assistance due to the gender disparities present in her village. However, PWS&D's partner recognized her needs and provided Guljan's family with a winterized tent to help endure the harsh weather conditions. PWS&D provided food assistance, as well as other support after the earthquake to help people survive the winter challenges.

## Stewardship Moment

"Gratitude flows from the recognition that who we are and what we have are gifts to be received and shared." *Rev. Henri Nouwen – priest, writer, theologian*

## Vacation Bible Experience 2024

**Mark your calendars and get ready to dive in!**

**Sunday, May 5th** following the service and coffee hour, join us for **Scuba Meet** in the lower hall.

All VBE volunteers and those who might be interested in volunteering for the Vacation Bible Experience this summer are invited to attend our first information and planning meeting!

Meeting will be approximately one hour long.

We are still hoping for 3-5 more volunteers to be Scuba Crew leaders who lead groups of children from station to station throughout the morning - no experience needed! Please speak to Sarah or Rev. Andrew Thompson.

## From the Library...

**Winter Haven** – by Athol Dickson

This is an interesting book with lots of scary passages in it. Let me just give you an overview.

Winter Haven is a small Island that is quite isolated. The ferry comes regularly, but the folks who live here are inclined to look warily at strangers.

Vera Gamble gets word that her brother has been found on this island and is dead. Vera's family have been at odds with each other for many years. Her mom passed a few years back, her younger brother, Siggy, left home when he was about 15 years old, and dad – who was a preacher and a hard man to live with has been in a care facility for quite a long time. Vera set's out to go to the island of Winter Haven to find out what happened to her brother. Although it is about 10 years since she last saw her brother, she is shocked to see that he still looks like he is about 15 years old.

In traveling all over the island for answers, Vera finds it an eerie, haunted place.

There - that is all I am revealing about this topsy-turvy story and the stunning happenings on Winter Haven.

**Christine Hunter, Librarian**

## Spring Cleaning FUNDrive:

**CLEAN OUT YOUR CUPBOARDS FOR CHALMERS!** Items for this will be received at the Church from **1:00 - 3:00pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays**, until May 3. If you have questions, please contact Maureen at [mobruff@rogers.com](mailto:mobruff@rogers.com) or (519-859-2518)

## CHALMERS MISSION EXPO

Please plan on joining us during coffee hour on **Sunday, April 28**, following the service in the lower hall. Enjoy your beverage while you browse and see what Committees and Groups of Chalmers have to share and offer.

## CHALMERS JOB VACANCY CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Chalmers Presbyterian Church is currently recruiting a Permanent Part-Time Office Administrator. The Office Administrator will provide confidential administrative functions on behalf of the Church and the Minister. The successful applicant will have experience in MS Office. Knowledge of Easy Worship and Church Windows would be an asset. The Office Administrator will work 24 hours per week with reduced hours during the summer. Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume no later than **May 10, 2024** to [office@chalmerslondon.com](mailto:office@chalmerslondon.com) or send by mail to:

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342 Pond Mills Road  
London, ON N5Z 5E1

## Yard, Plant & Bake Sale 2024

**Saturday, May 4, from 9 am to 12 noon.** Donations of new or gently used household items, garden tools, craft items, toys, etc. as well as plants and baked goods, will be received at the **main doors** of the church on **Friday, May 3 from 1pm–5pm**. *\*\*We are not taking any clothing, furniture, appliances or large tools.*

**Tourtière and fruit pies** will be available by PRE-ORDER ONLY. Order forms in the narthex. Order deadline: Sunday, April 21 and pick-up at the sale.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**—please sign up in the narthex today!

## Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

A cluster of colorful balloons in shades of red, blue, yellow, and green, tied together with a string.

Laurie MacNeil	April 21
Carol Goodfellow	April 27
Odette Mabondo	May 4
Doris Tutt	May 4