

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Welcome to worship. Our service today will be in-person and livestreamed through our website at ChalmersLondon.com. We extend a warm welcome to **Rev. Michael Stol** who comes to lead us in worship. Coffee fellowship to follow the service in the lower hall.

This Week at a Glance: APRIL 23—APRIL 30

SUNDAY	In-person and Livestream Worship Coffee Fellowship	10:00 am 11:15 am
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Property Management Meeting Reachout Choir Rehearsal	12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Senior Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Programming	9:00 am
SATURDAY	Funeral—Jim Patterson	2:00 pm
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am

Office Hours:

The Church Office is open Tuesday to Friday, 8:30 am–2:30 pm. Please contact the church office with any needs or concerns (519) 681-7242 or by email at chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca. Contact **Rev. Mavis Currie**, Chalmers' Interim Moderator, for emergency Pastoral Care at her church office, (519) 631-2414, on her cell (519) 860-1380 or by email, m.currie@knoxstthomas.ca.

Volunteers: TODAY

NEXT WEEK

HOSTS	Fran Peach Anita Powell Joyce Kilbourne	Ann Hunter Mary Vair Christine Hunter
AUDIO VISUALS	Andrea Bruce Jack Hardy Richard Cote	Tammy McDonald Josiah Duffin Rose Marie Finlay
FELLOWSHIP	Gord & Mary Vair	Keith & Phyllis Johnston

Thank you, Volunteers!

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

April 23, 2023

3rd Sunday of Easter

In-person Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Interim Moderator

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Holy and gracious God, you have healed our wounds.

All: You have brought us from paths of hurt and anger.

One: You have blessed our life so that we might be a blessing to others.

All: Let us worship you in great joy.

One: Let us remember the ways you have turned our mourning into dancing.

All: Let us give thanks to you forever.

Praise: *The day of resurrection* 249

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

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

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children

Praise: *Jesus is risen from the grave* 254 (vv. 1,3,5,7)

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: Psalm 30

One: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up,
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

**All: O Lord, my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.
O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life
from among those gone down to the Pit.**

One: Sing praises to the Lord, O you faithful ones,
and give thanks to God's holy name.

**All: For the Lord's anger is but for a moment;
the Lord's favour is for a lifetime.
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

One: As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

**All: By your favour, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face; I was dismayed.**

One: To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication.

**All: "What profit is there in my death if I go down to the Pit?
Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"**

One: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me!

All: O Lord be my helper!

One: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my
sackcloth and clothed me with joy so that my soul may praise you and
not be silent.

All: O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Scripture Reading: John 21:1-19 Torry Thibodeau

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Choir Anthem: *Feed My Lambs* by Natalie Sleeth

Message: The Way of the Shepherd Rev. Michael Stol

Praise: *At the dawning of salvation* 248

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission Linda Adamson

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We give thee but thine own* 661 (vv.1-2)

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

Praise: *Hail the day that sees Christ rise* 265 (vv.1,4,5)

Benediction

Sending Song: *He is Lord* 252 (2x)

Musical Postlude

Please Pray

- ◆ For **Sam N.** who had a successful procedure last week, that God would continue to strengthen and heal.
- ◆ For peace and comfort for **Betty C.**, and strength for **Don** as he cares for her.
- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Ainsley M.**
- ◆ For **Joyce Y.**, that God would hold her in his loving arms and bring her peace.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Linda B., Leny J., Helen L., Jackie H., Beverley E., Laura M., and Betty S.**

Nursery Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of volunteers for the nursery going forward. Please contact Patricia Matesic by email at pawm54@outlook.com, or call the church office to volunteer.

Hey kids (young and old!)

We're excited to have Mary Vair and friends doing the children's story-time next Sunday, April 30! You won't want to miss it!



April 23: In Malawi, poor, overused soil and low rainfall have made it difficult for Elena to farm her fields. As a single mother, Elena is the breadwinner of her family. A healthy crop yield is essential to her livelihood and being able to provide for them, so Elena decided to participate in a Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported project, which taught farmers conservation agriculture techniques to conserve and improve their soil and better retain moisture. "My yields improved immediately in the second season. I plan to extend the cultivation area with the manure application and hope to have a good crop stand. This will increase access to food for my family and to financial resources to cater to other basic household needs," said Elena. Today, she teaches fellow farmers in her community about the benefits of conservation agriculture.

Speaking of Stewardship

"As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family."
Pope Francis

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Carol Goodfellow	April 27
Odette Mabondo	May 4
Doris Tutt	May 4

From the Library...

Almost home – by Valerie Fraser Luesse

This story takes place during WWII and things are not easy for anyone.

Dolly Chandler takes in boarders to help pay the bills. First come a couple of quiet, unemployed professors from Chicago, then an obnoxious couple from Reno, and soon the house is filled as workers come to work in local munitions plants.

Arriving from a small farming town in Illinois, Jesse and Anna Williams are having a hard time with their marriage when they move into the house. They meet Army medic Reed Ingram, who has just returned from the war.

Anna and two other boarders discover some old journals left by Charlotte Chauvin, the wife of a local Robin Hood character who built Dolly's house. When they find out that Chauvin and her husband had mysteriously disappeared, they hope that they will be able to uncover the treasure that they were rumoured to have.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

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The Search Committee thanks all who attended last Sunday's service and signed the "Attestation for the Call" A total of 119 signatures were received with the expectation of more to come from those who were unable to attend.

CHALMERS DIRECTORY: If you would like an updated copy of the church directory, please contact Wendy in the office. She'll be happy to provide you with a hard copy or send it by email.

NAMETAGS: If you do not have a nametag, or need a new one, please add your name to the list on the name-tag table in the narthex.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Feed My Lambs

Natalie Sleeth

Feed my lambs, tend my sheep,
over all a vigil keep;
In My Name lead them forth
gently as a shepherd.
When they wander, when they stray,
their protector be.
As ye do unto My flock, thus ye do to Me.

Feed my lambs, tend my sheep,
over all a vigil keep;
In My Name lead them forth
gently as a Shepherd.
Unto all who lose the way,
hope and comfort be.
As ye do unto my flock, thus ye do to Me.

Feed my lambs, tend my sheep,
over all a vigil keep;
In My Name lead them forth gently,
gently as a loving shepherd of the Lord.

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