

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **online** worship this Sunday. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The video link is found on the home page. We encourage you to let us know you have joined us by filling in the short response form.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: APRIL 25—MAY 2

SUNDAY	Online Worship Service	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Supervision	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup	12:30 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting on Zoom	8:00 pm
THURSDAY	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Online Worship Service	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

The church building and office remain closed to the public. *Wendy is once again working from HOME. We urge you to call ahead before dropping by the church.* Email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca with any questions or needs.

Rev. John can be reached on his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, www.chalmerslondon.com. You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Online Worship Celebration

April 25, 2021

Mission Awareness Sunday



Chalmers' Ministry

Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

One: This is the day that the Lord has made!

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

One: Come together as Christ's followers, with wonder and with praise.

All: We are called to serve, and called to reach out.

One: You are the light of the world.

All: Let our light shine! May God fill us with compassion as we worship.

Praise: *Come sing, O church, in joy!* (Lyrics on p. 3) 757

Prayers of Adoration, Confession, and Pardon

Celebrating with the Children: "Go Fish" video (The Skit Guys)

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 67

One: O God, be gracious to us and bless us

All: and make your face to shine upon us,

One: that your way may be known upon earth,

All: your saving power among all nations.

One: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

All: let all the peoples praise you.

One: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**All: for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

One: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

All: let all the peoples praise you.

One: The earth has yielded its increase;

God, our God, has blessed us.

**All: May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere God.**

Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

read by Mark Ranson

Matthew 5: 13-16

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise: *Teach me, God, to wonder* 704

Message: *Reaching Out Together* (WMS resource: sermon by Rev. L Scholey)

Special Praise: *Look at the World* (Lyrics on p. 3) recording by Cantorion Choir

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We have this ministry* (Lyrics on p. 3) 590 (vv. 1 & 2)

Offering Prayer

Praise: *Go Out to the World* (Lyrics on p. 3)

Benediction *Blessing* recording by Cantorion Choir

Musical Postlude



Blessing by Katie Moran Bart

May the road rise up to meet you;
may the wind be always at your back,
may the sun shine warm upon your face,
and the rains fall soft upon your fields.

Until we meet again, my friend, until we meet again.
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Come sing, O church, in joy!

Edward Caswall; Joseph Barnby

Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us
through the ages long!

Refrain

*In bold accord,
come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord.*

Long years have come and gone,
and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision,
dream the dream!

Refrain

Let courage be our friend,
let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify
the Crucified!

Refrain

Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed
o'er the ages long!

Refrain

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Teach me, God, to wonder

Walter Henry Farquharson

Teach me, God, to wonder;
teach me, God, to see;
let your world of beauty
capture me.

Refrain

*Praise to you be given;
love for you be lived,
life be celebrated; joy you give.*

Let me, God, be open;
let me loving be;
let your world of people
speak to me.

Refrain

Let me, God, be ready;
let me be awake,
in your world of loving,
my place take.

Refrain

Teach me, God, to know you,
hear you when you speak,
see you in my neighbour
when we meet.

Refrain

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We have this ministry

Jim Strathdee

We have this ministry
and we are not discouraged;
it is by God's own power
that we may live and serve.
Openly we share God's word,
speaking truth as we believe,
praying that the shadowed world
may healing light receive.

*We have this ministry;
O God, receive our living.*

*O Christ, the tree of life,
our end and our beginning,
we grow to fullest flower
when rooted in your love.
Brother, sisters, clergy, lay,
called to service by your grace,
different cultures, different gifts,
the young and old a place.*

*We have this ministry;
O God, receiving our giving.*

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Go out to the world

Richard Cootes

Refrain:

*Go out to the world,
go out to the world!
Go out to the world
and proclaim the Good News!
And know that I am with you,
yes, until the end of time,
as you go out to the world
and proclaim the Good News.
As you go out to the world
and proclaim the Good News.*

Just as the Father sent me,
go out to the world!
So am I sending you,
go out to the world!
With the peace that I leave you,
go out to the world!
With the joy of the Gospel
in your hearts.

Refrain

You are the salt of the earth,
go out to the world!
A light unto the nations,
go out to the world!
A city on a hill
go out to the world!
Let the light of your goodness
ever shine.

Refrain

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SPECIAL PRAISE

Look at the world

John Rutter

Look at the world: everything all around us,
look at the world: and marvel everyday.
Look at the world: so many joys and wonders
so many miracles along our way.

Refrain

*Praise to thee o Lord for all creation.
Give us thankful hearts that we may see
all the gifts we share and every blessing;
all things come of thee.*

Look at the earth:
bringing forth fruit and flower;
look at the sky: the sunshine and the rain.
Look at the hills,
look at the trees and mountains,
valley and flowing river field and plain.

Refrain

Think of the spring,
think of the warmth of summer,
bringing the harvest before the winters cold.
Everything grows, everything has a season,
'til it is gathered to the Father's fold.

Refrain

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish
comes from the Lord in token of his love.
We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty,
his is the earth and his the heavens above.

Refrain

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing and pain control for **Joyce Yull**.
- ◆ We pray for healing for **Tom Hunter** as he receives care in hospital for matters related to his recent surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Doris Tuff** and a spirit of perseverance as she recovers from recent surgery on her shoulders.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he convalesces at home. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ 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 **Betty Smedley, Linda McPherson, and Ross Cole**.

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**CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR:** Join us Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for a relaxed time of fellowship. We are meeting on ZOOM, meeting ID 350 336 4073 (this will remain the same each week) and there is no password. Contact Sue at 226-663-4735 with questions.

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CHALMERS SUNDAY SCHOOL : Join us online Sundays at 11am following worship. All kids welcome! For login information, chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com.



April 25 — Arising

ARISE Ministry offers compassionate outreach and spiritual care to survivors of sexual exploitation living in the Greater Toronto Area. Inspired by Jesus' healing of the woman who was afflicted for 18 years with a condition that kept her bent over (Luke 13:10-17), ARISE aims to help those who have been living "bent over" by exploitation, trauma, abuse and addiction. Staff and volunteers work with vulnerable women, youth and children by providing one-on-one, goal-oriented support. As relationships strengthen, hope and empowerment are fostered, making it possible for futures to be reclaimed. Like the woman in the gospel of Luke, several women that ARISE has helped are now standing straight and tall, and God continues to do amazing things in their lives. This is a reason to rejoice!

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April 25

When you stop giving and offering something to the rest of the world, it's time to turn out the lights.

George Burns (1896-1996), comedian, actor, singer, writer

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**FREE VIRTUAL INCOME TAX CLINIC:** Need help preparing your income taxes this year? Once again, Compass Community Church is offering a **free**, virtual income tax clinic. For an online appointment, please email [taxclinic@compasschurch.ca](mailto:taxclinic@compasschurch.ca).

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Outbreak – by David Bunn

This story is a very topical tale of a strange happening on the West Coast of Africa where about 19 fishing boats are seen floating in the sea – and all the fishermen on board are dead. On further examination it is discovered that they all died of different diseases and there seems to be no rhyme or reason to what is happening here. After the team land they discover how difficult travel is in this area because of a local war and the troops who are trying to keep the peace, are also not open to visitors.

Back on home territory the team have become obsessed with trying to find out what this mysterious "plague" is – and how to stop it travelling to their country. But there also seems to be some kind of a conspiracy to stop them getting the information they need to make these decisions.

A very exciting, nail-biting tale of corruption in the highest places – and who to trust when you need to trust someone!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

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ONLINE DONATIONS: Thank you for your continued, faithful support of Chalmers Presbyterian Church. Offerings may be mailed in to the church, dropped in the mailbox or submitted online through the link on the home page of our website.

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**CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING:** Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting. We will meet on ZOOM every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about 40-50 minutes. Link available through our website. All Welcome!

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** At their meeting on April 20 Chalmers Session decided that **online worship will continue for the month of May 2021**. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church and office are **closed**. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

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OFFICE HOURS: The church office remains closed, and with the stay-at-home order, Wendy is only working in the office as necessary. Please call ahead before visiting the church. Wendy can be reached at 519-872-0003 (call or text) or chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca. Messages left on the church voicemail are being monitored.

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**FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PLACED** in the sanctuary this morning by Betty Smedley and family, in loving memory of Dennis Smedley, who passed away on April 22, 2020.

