

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 28—MAY 5

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Mission Expo Ed & Janice Carrier Funeral	10:00 am 11:15 am 2:00 pm
MONDAY	FUNDrive Drop off	1:00—3:00 pm
TUESDAY	Ladies' Night	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Pastoral Care Meeting Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle FUNDrive Drop Off Reachout Rehearsal	9:30 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 1:00—3:00pm 7:00 pm
THURSDAY	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Programming Yard/Plant/Bake Sale & FUNDrive Drop Off	9:00 am 1:00—5:00pm
SATURDAY	Yard/Plant/Bake Sale	9:00 am—noon
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Stephen Ministry (In person)	10:00 am 7:00 pm

Church Office Hours may be irregular for the short-term until a new Office Administrator is in place. Please call ahead 519-681-7242 or email office@chalmerslondon.com before visiting the church.

Volunteers: APRIL 28

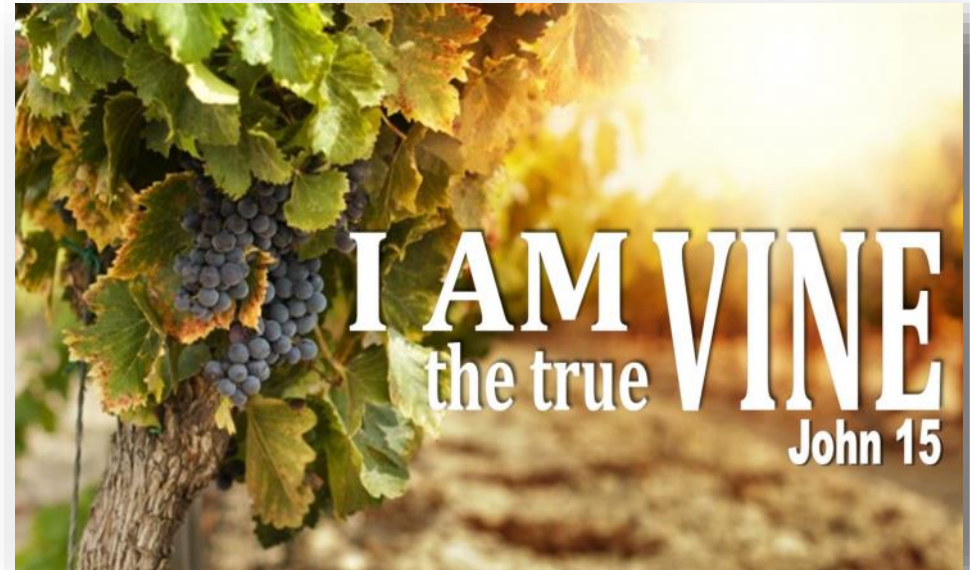
	APRIL 28	MAY 5
HOSTS	Marg Ward Maureen Bruff Islay Thibodeau	Mary Vair Mavis Love-Symonds Joyce Kilbourne
AUDIO VISUALS	Torry Thibodeau Islay Thibodeau Lizz Thibodeau	Chris Hardy Jack Hardy Marilyn McFadden
FELLOWSHIP	Brian & Pat MacKay	Keith & Cathy Spooner
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Sarah Thompson, Linda Adamson	Linda Adamson, TBD

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Celebration

April 28, 2024

5th 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
Vacant
Brad Dobbie
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WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Bill George

Call to Worship:

One: Like spring breaking through winter's power,

All: God's resurrecting power breaks into our lives in surprising ways.

One: Like the vine that supports blossoms and fruit,

All: God's Word upholds the church in strength.

One: Let us worship God who makes all things new.

All: We will praise God who brings growth and renewal to all life.

Hymn of Praise: *Father, I adore you*

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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: *Lord of Life* by Stevens/Williams

Celebrating with the Children - **The Name of the Lord is**

Hymn of Praise: *I'm gonna live so God can use me*

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: Psalm 22:25-31

One: From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those who fear you.

**All: The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the Lord shall praise the Lord!
May your hearts live forever!**

One: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

All: and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

One: For dominion belongs to the Lord who rules over the nations.

All: All who sleep in the earth shall bow down to the Lord;

One: All who go down to the dust, shall bow before the Lord;
and I shall live for God.

**All: Posterity shall serve the Lord;
future generations will be told about the Lord,
and proclaim deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that God has done it.**

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-8

Mary Vair

ONE: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Message: **The Vinedresser**

Hymn of Praise: *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We give thee but thine own*

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Offering Prayer and Prayers of the People

Hymn of Praise:

Commissioning & Benediction

Benediction Song: *He is Lord*

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Instrumental Postlude



CHOIR ANTHEM: Lord of Life by Stevens/Williams

Lord of Life, I give my all to You. Lord, I know your love will see me through.
Lead me, Lord, in ev'rything I do. Lord of Life, I give my all to You.

Lord of Life, I need Your cleansing pow'r. Lord, I need your presence ev'ry hour.
Lord of Life, there is none like You. Lord of life, I give my all to you.

You are the Holy One. You are the Ancient of Days.
You alone are great and greatly to be praised.

(Repeat vs 1.)

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Please Pray

- ◆ For God's comfort and continued healing for **Mary M**, who hopes to come home from Parkwood on Tuesday.
- ◆ 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, Jackie H, Leny J, Laura M, Betty S, Bill C**.

CHALMERS MISSION EXPO

Please plan on joining us during coffee hour on **TODAY**, 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.

Ladies' Night

LAST DAY to sing up 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!

Celebration of Life

Our prayers for God's comfort continue with the family of Ed & Janice Carrier, as they are remembered at a Celebration of Life TODAY at 2:00 pm here at Chalmers. All are welcome. For reception details visit <http://evite.me/aBmzEs32BZ>. The service will be livestreams through our website: MEDIA/VIDEOS/SPECIAL SERVICES.

Mission Moment

April 28: The Reformed Parish in Csap/Chop, a congregation of the Reformed Church in Transcarpathia in western Ukraine, has been providing temporary shelter and food for people displaced by the war. Their social kitchen program includes hot food delivery to elderly congregation members who live alone and are unable to cook for themselves. With limited resources, Bishop Zan-Fabian reached out to the PCC for financial support to continue this ministry of care. The PCC provided a grant from Presbyterians Sharing, fulfilling the law of Christ to bear one another's burdens.

Stewardship Moment

If we allow a day to pass by without practicing generosity, we are like a blacksmith's bellows: we breathe, but we do not live. *Sanskrit Proverb*

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...

The Wedding Dress – by Rachel Hauck

I found this book fascinating, interesting, and the kind that you “just want to read another page”. I must also confess that it was a little difficult sometimes to remember what year you were reading about.

Well – the story takes place over a few generations and is, of course about a wedding dress. Charlotte owns a bridal store and one day she decides to go to an auction. There is a very old trunk for sale – and before she really realizes what she has done – she has purchased it. The trunk is welded shut – so she doesn't even know if there is anything in it – but she finally asks a friend to open it for her. In it is this beautiful, flimsy, old, old, old wedding gown.

Read it and see where the gown comes from, and what magical powers it seems to possess.

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 or (519-859-2518)

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Odette Mabondo May 4
Doris Tutt May 4
Murray Cummings May 10
Christine Hunter May 11

Care & Share Corner

Your continued support of this vital ministry is greatly appreciated! Financial gifts are always welcomed!

Pantry needs for April are:

- ◆ Canned Soup
- ◆ Baked beans (no pork)

Ongoing needs: egg cartons, please & thanks!

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.*

PRE-ORDERED Tourtière and fruit pies will be available for pick up at the sale.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—please sign up in the narthex today!

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 or send by mail to:

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