

## 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 following worship. The **striped mugs** at coffee hour are for visitors. Please help our visitors feel welcome.

### AT A GLANCE: August 25 - September 1

SUNDAY      Worship - 10 am  
Library Open – 11:15 am  
Coffee Fellowship - 11:15 am

MONDAY      Ukés of London - 7 pm

FRIDAY      Seniors' Satellite - 9 am  
Seniors' Euchre - 12:30 pm

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Library Open – 11:15 am  
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### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 9 am -

### UPCOMING DATES:

Sept 8:      Burger Bash - 11:30 am

Sept 13:     Movie Night - 7pm

Sept 22:     Tasteful Topics - 11:30 am

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

Gail McHardy-Leitch & Don Leitch  
Chris & Kristine Hardy  
Pat & Brian MacKay

### NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Debbie Latta & Host Needed  
Torry Thibodeau & Jane Vannus  
Holly Williams & Shirley Andersen

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Aug 25: Keith & Phyllis Johnston  
Sept 1: Keith & Phyllis Johnston  
Sept 8: Burger Bash  
Sept 15: Sherri & Kevin Hartman

### COUNTERS:

Aug 25: Doris & Yvonne  
Sept 1: Todd & Brenda  
Sept 8: Patricia & Paul  
Sept 15: Joanne & Bruce

### IN THE BOOTH:

Aug 25: Tammy, Rick & Lizz  
Sept 1: Tom, Torry & Lizz  
Sept 8: Tammy, Sue & Marilyn  
Sept 15: Tammy, Rick & Lizz



# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

August 25, 2019—10:00 am

11th Sunday after Pentecost



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Summer Outreach Coordinator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

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

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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

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

Call to Worship

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Declaration of Pardon

The Peace      May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

★ Praise:      *Here I am to worship*

(Children and teachers leave for Sunday school)

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading:      Psalm 63:1-8

One:      O God, you are my God, I seek you,

**All:      my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,  
As in a dry and weary land where there is no water.**

One:      So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
Beholding your power and glory.

**All:      Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.**

One:      So I will bless you as long as I live;

**All:      I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

One:      My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,

**All:      and my mouth praises you with joyful lips  
when I think of you upon my bed,  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;  
for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.**

Special Praise: *Green Pastures* - by Helen Taylor, Wilfrid Sanderson

Betty Sanderson

Scripture Reading:      2 Corinthians 5:16-20

Mark 2:13-17

Chris Hardy

One:      The Gospel of the Lord.

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

★ Praise:      *Make me a channel of your peace*

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Sermon:      **Building Bridges**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection      *Shalom chaverim*      (English, French, Hebrew)      731

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts:      *Called as partners in Christ's service*      587 (v.1 - 2)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**God of peace, we present these gifts of money to further your work of reconciliation  
through the church, both here and around the world, in Jesus' name...**

★ Praise:      *O for a world where everyone*

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(Children and teachers return from Sunday school)

Celebrating with the Children & **The Lord's Prayer**

★ Praise:      *Sanctuary / Step by step*

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.*



# Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For healing and strength for Jack Webster as he remains in hospital receiving care.
- ◆ For healing and strength for Carl Suchard, a former member of Chalmers who is receiving care following a diagnosis of leukemia. Carl and his wife Nancy live in Goderich
- ◆ 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 Eileen Reid, Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, and Ross Cole.
- ◆ For the staff of the London Training Centre at 317 Adelaide Street and Grant Whatford, Manager of Employment Services, as they provide innovative, effective and integrated training opportunities for people who need new skills to enjoy the dignity that comes with employment, independence and self-reliance. Copies of the LTC brochure are on the table in the narthex.

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**CARE & SHARE** is a community effort to help struggling families in our area who are in need of food support. 3-4 more volunteers are needed to give one Tuesday a month to help with the food cupboard. Volunteer time is roughly 10am - 2pm and involves packing boxes with non perishable goods, milk and eggs. If you can help out with this vital ministry, please contact Joanne Dickert.

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**BURGER BASH:** Come join in the fun at Chalmers' Annual Burger Bash! Sunday, September 8th immediately following the church service in the lower hall and on the East lawn. Come enjoy a FREE BBQ featuring hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans and ice cream cones as we join together and "kick off" the fall season.

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**CHALMERS MOVIE NIGHT:** Join us for the movie, "Amazing Grace" featuring Aretha Franklin on Friday, September 13 at 7:00 pm. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. All ages welcome! The popcorn will be on!



## August 25: A home away from home

When her niece fell ill, Zenabu was accused by her sister of bewitching the little girl. Belief in witchcraft continues to be widespread in Ghana, and those accused can face relentlessly cruel treatment. Zenabu feared for her safety, until she found sanctuary at the PWS&D-supported Gambaga Camp—a refuge for women who have been accused of witchcraft. Zenabu has been trained in soap making and earns an income by selling her handiwork. She enjoys the self-reliance that comes with the chance to sell her goods. Even as PWS&D works with communities to help them see that misfortune is not a result of witchcraft, this support is giving women like Zenabu the chance to lead safe and meaningful lives.

*PWS&D responds to ensure safety and security*

## SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

### August 25

The care of the earth is our most ancient and most worthy and, after all, our most pleasing responsibility. To cherish what remains of it, and to foster its renewal, is our only legitimate hope. Wendall Berry (1934-) *Novelist, poet, environmental activist*

## VISIT TO THE ELGIN MEMORIAL FOR RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL STUDENTS - CHIPPAWA OF THAMES FIRST NATION:

Come for a visit to the Memorial for Residential School Students on September 21, 2019. Lunch at Elph's Restaurant (Oneida Rd. East of Hazel Rd.) at 11:30am followed by a visit to the memorial at 318 East River Road, Southwold. Lunch at the visitor's expense, memorial, no charge. RSVP to 519-633-1556 [pj.wendling@sympatico.ca](mailto:pj.wendling@sympatico.ca) by September 19. See poster for more information.

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**TASTEFUL TOPICS:** Our first luncheon will be on September 22, 2019 following morning worship, with guest speaker, Karen Green of Power of Hope, a community organization that provides teddy bears and pajamas to children in need. Suggested donation for lunch: \$10/person. Sign up sheet on

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Traces of Guilt** by Dee Henderson, An Evie Blackwell Cold Case

Dee Henderson is one of my favourite murder mystery writers. I find she manages to keep you guessing and interested for the whole book. This is no exception. Evie is a top investigator for the Illinois State Police and has been assigned to the small town of Carin to look into solving a cold case. Here she meets Gabriel Thane who is the local sheriff and prides himself on being good at his job. He tries to be open about Evie "moving in on his job", but as they talk and do some research into a couple of cold cases, he realizes that she is very good at her job, and that she brings a new perspective as she looks at the cases from a different angle.

Great story – definitely a page-turner.

*Christine Hunter, Librarian*

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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 Wendy in the office.

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**WE GIVE THANKS** for the **PEW CUSHIONS** we now enjoy in our sanctuary, which were gifted to Chalmers by Fairmont United Church.

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**THE TERRY FOX RUN:** for cancer research will take place on Sunday, September 15. Rev. John will be running again this year. John is inviting you to make a pledge or gift payable to the Terry Fox Foundation. Tax receipts will be provided for gifts of \$20 or more. Pledge sheets are on the table in the narthex. Please consider participating this year by walking, running, wheeling or cycling in support of cancer research. Thank you very much for your support of this worthwhile cause.

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**POP CANS FUNDRAISING:** Thank you for supporting the pop can venture. This venture supports our Youth Ministry. There is a Rubbermaid bin in the narthex for the pop cans

Anyone wishing to **PLACE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** throughout the year is invited to do so. If you wish these to be acknowledged, please let the office administrator know so a note can be placed in the bulletin (needs to be by Wednesday).

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**THE FLOWERS** displayed on the platform today were placed by Linda Adamson and John Biro in memory of their fathers, David H. Adamson and John W. Biro.

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If you would like a copy of the **CHALMERS DIRECTORY** (phone numbers & addresses), please call or email Wendy in the church office ([chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca)) and she will print one off for you.

## PAN MEDICAL MISSION TRIP - NOVEMBER '19

**What we need from friends, family and congregations:**

- We need men's, boys and baby spring & summer clothing. Gently used with no numbers/ guns/violence
- Adult size baseball gloves as Melvin is starting baseball leagues in El Salvador
- Flannel sheets or flannel material to make reusable pads
- Pencil cases or make up cases (500 - 600)
- Brand New Cotton Women's underwear (500 - 600) sizes small or medium (no other women's clothing required)

There is a box in the narthex for donations. If there are any questions, contact Audrey Baldwin, Kristine and Chris Hardy and family, Linda Powers

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** for the PAN Spaghetti Supper- Saturday, October 5, 2019. Doors open at 5pm, supper at 5:30 pm. Cost: \$20/adult, \$10/child (ages 5-12), under 5 eat free, family price (4+) \$50. Silent Auction and door prizes to be won.