

## 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 to leave us a record of your visit.

*Please plan to join us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall following worship.*

### This Week at a Glance: AUGUST 13-20

<b>SUNDAY</b> AUGUST 13	In-Person & Livestream Worship Chalmers Library Open Coffee Fellowship in the lower hall	10:00 am
<b>SUNDAY</b> AUGUST 20	In-Person & Livestream Worship Chalmers Library Open Coffee Fellowship in the lower hall	10:00 am 11:15 am

### Office Hours:

Please call ahead before visiting the church, at (519) 681-7242 or email [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca). **Rev. Andrew Thompson's** office hours are Monday, 9:30 am—2:30 pm, Wednesday and Thursday 9:30 am—noon and Friday, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Please call or email the office with any questions or pastoral care needs.

**Wendy Sibley** is on vacation this week, returning to the office Tuesday, August 22. Many thanks to Lizz Thibodeau for helping out in the office in her absence.

### Volunteers: AUGUST 13

### AUGUST 20

<b>HOSTS</b>	Marg Ward Bev Cameron Ann Hunter	Muriel Bertling Christine Hunter Maureen Bruff
<b>AUDIO VISUALS</b>	Andrea Bruce Josiah Duffin Josiah Duffin (Marilyn)	Torry Thibodeau Islay Thibodeau Lizz Thibodeau
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	No Coffee—Long Weekend	Gord & Mary Vair

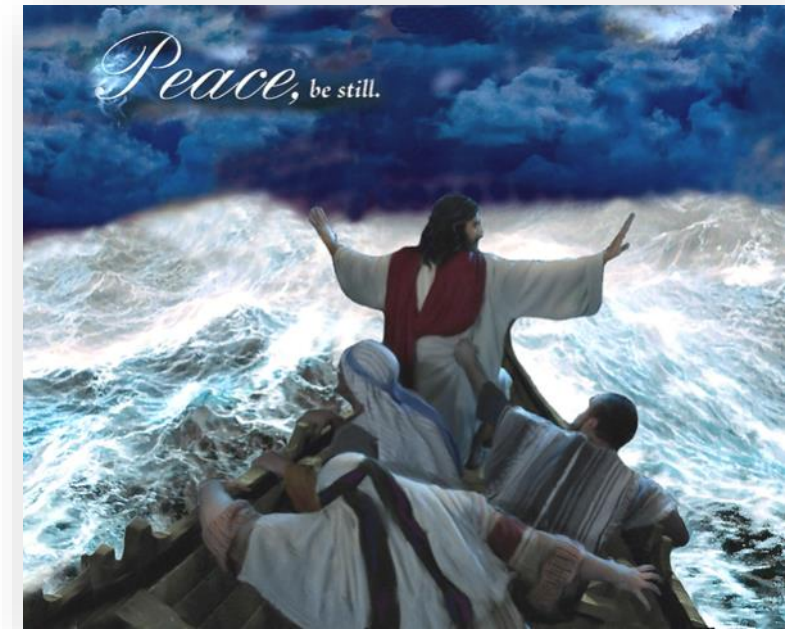
**Thank you, Volunteers!**

## CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

August 13, 2023

In-Person and Livestream Worship

*11th Sunday After Pentecost*



### 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. Andrew Thompson

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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship:

One: Give thanks to the Lord!

**All: We will tell the world what God has done.**

One: Let us bring praise to the name of our Maker.

**All: We will honour God's name with shouts of joy!**

One: Be mindful of all that God provides for us.

**All: Let us give thanks for all the wonders God has made!**

**Praise:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 321

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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:** *I, the Lord of sea and sky* 592

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 85-8-13

One: Let me hear what God will speak, for the Lord will speak peace to the people, to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

**All: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God,  
that glory may dwell in our land.**

One: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;  
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**All: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,  
and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

One: The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

**All: Righteousness will go before the Lord, and make a pathway for God.**

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 19:9-18

Matthew 14:22-33

Janet Bruce

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Special Praise: *I Believe / You'll Never Walk Alone* (see insert)

Gord Vair

Message: God of the Storm

**Praise:** *Be Still and Know that I am God*

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Bill George

Offering of our Gifts

**Offering Praise:** *I do give*

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

**Praise:** *Come, thou Almighty King*

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Benediction

**Choral Amen**

Musical Postlude

## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's healing for **Marilyn M.**, who had surgery on Tuesday after falling and breaking her leg at the cottage.
- ◆ For God's healing and comfort for **Beverley E.** who is recovering in hospital with significant injuries from a car crash. We praise God for her good progress!
- ◆ For God's peace and healing for **Holly W.** who is in University Hospital after suffering a brain bleed.
- ◆ For God's peace and strength for **Shirley H.**, as she moves to Tillsonburg on August 19.
- ◆ For God's grace and peace for **Ed and Janice C.**, as Ed settles in to his new home at Earl's Court Gardens.
- ◆ For **Bill C.** as he settles into his new home at Westmount Gardens.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Helen L., Jackie H., Laura M., Betty S.**
- ◆ For all those in our congregation who are travelling this summer—may the Lord keep them safe and bring them back refreshed and renewed.

## Vacation Notice

Our office administrator, **Wendy**, will be on vacation this week, returning to the office on Tuesday, July 22. Many thanks to Lizz Thibodeau for filling in in the office in her absence!

As always, please call ahead before visiting the church as summer hours vary.



**August 13:** Palestinians living in the Occupied Territories know that Ecumenical Accompaniers (EAs) don't have much power to stop the occupation. But they are grateful for the protective presence of EAs at checkpoints, refugee camps, schools and remote villages where shepherds watch their flocks. In response to an appeal from local church leaders, the World Council of Churches created the Ecumenical Accompaniment Program in Palestine and Israel in 2002. Supported by Presbyterians Sharing, the Rev. Jeanie Lee recently served three months in Bethlehem, witnessing life under occupation, monitoring human rights violations, and listening to stories of Palestinians to share with Canadians upon her return.

## Speaking of Stewardship

In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protection, and all of us are responsible for it. Be protectors of God's gifts!

*Pope Francis*



## From the Library...

**The Pelican Harbor Series** – by Colleen Coble

### #2 - Two Reasons to run

This book starts with Jane Hardy, Chief of Police for Pelican Harbor, discovering that her son did not die in that Commune 15 years ago. She meets up with him and his father and immediately falls in love with her 15 year old son. She struggles with the fact that her father had lied to get her out of the Commune, but her father and her son are soon enjoying each other's company.

There is an oil platform just off the coast of Pelican Harbor, and Keith McDonald, one of the workmen on board this rig, sends a scary message to Jane Hardy telling her of a plan to cause an explosion on the rig. This would be bad news in so many different ways, but then Keith disappears and Jane has to try and find out what exactly is going on. Where is Keith and is the rumour of an explosion really true?

Another very exciting read.

Christine Hunter, Librarian.

## Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

<b>Kym Abrams</b>	August 13
<b>Todd Webster</b>	August 13
<b>Naomi Mabondo</b>	August 14
<b>Margaret Harper</b>	August 20
<b>Lizz Thibodeau</b>	August 21

## Special Praise (Medley)

### I Believe

Ervin Drake, Jimmy Shirl, Al Stillman, Irvin Graham

I believe for every drop of rain that falls  
a flower grows.

I believe that somewhere in the darkest night  
a candle glows.

I believe for everyone who goes astray  
Someone will come to show the way.

I believe, I believe.

I believe above the storm the smallest prayer  
will still be heard.

I believe that someone in the great somewhere  
hears ev'ry word.

Ev'ry time I hear a newborn baby cry,  
Or touch a leaf or see the sky,  
Then I know why I believe.

### You'll Never Walk Alone

Rodgers & Hammerstein

When you walk through a storm  
hold your head up high;  
and don't be afraid of the dark.

At the end of the storm is a golden sky  
and the sweet silver song of a lark.

Walk on through the wind,

Walk on through the rain,

Tho' your dreams be tossed and blown.

Walk on, walk on with hope in your heart

And you'll never walk alone,

You'll never walk alone.

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