

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Our services are in-person and live-streamed. They can be viewed 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 online by filling in the short response form.

This Week at a Glance: AUGUST 14-21

SUNDAY	Livestream and In-Person Worship Stephen Ministry Meeting (Zoom)	10:00 am 7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Online Prayer Meeting Reachout Rehearsal	12:30 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
SATURDAY	Charity Tennis Event	10:00 am
SUNDAY	Livestream and In-Person Worship Communion Sunday	10:00 am

Office Hours:

For the months of July and August, our regular office hours are:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8:30 am—1:30 pm.

Rev. John can be reached by email at jbannerman@bellnet.ca or on his cell, 226-919-9180.

Beth Hickey is on vacation until August 20. Our thanks to **Kim Poser** for providing organist supply in Beth's absence.

Worship Volunteers:

	This Week	Next Week
HOSTS	Pat & Brian MacKay Maureen Bruff	Lorna Wilson Bill George Muriel Bertling
A/V	Tammy McDonald Rose Marie Finlay	Andrea Bruce Richard Cote
Webex	Marilyn McFadden	Richard Cote

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

August 14, 2022

10th Sunday after Pentecost

In-Person and Livestream Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Micah 6:8

One: He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you

**All: but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?**

Praise: *God bless your church with strength (to tune of hymn 274)* 491

Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Pardon

The Peace: One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children (Camp Kintail story video)

Praise: *God of the sparrow, God of the whale* 307

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 112

One: Praise the Lord! Blessed are those who fear the Lord,
who greatly delight in God's commandments.

**All: Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness
endures forever. They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

One: It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their
affairs with justice. For the righteous will never be moved; they will be
remembered forever.

**All: They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord.
Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.**

One: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honour.

**All: The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away;
the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.**

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Matthew 7:7-12

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Special Praise: **Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* sung by Bob Finlay

Sermon: **Acts of Kindness**

Time for Reflection: *Jesus' hands were kind hands* 631

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *What does the Lord require of you* 709

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

Praise: *Lord of all hopefulness* 748

Blessing

Musical Postlude

***Tell Me the Stories of Jesus** by W.H. Parker

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear. Things I would ask him to tell me if he were here.
Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood around his knee. And I shall fancy his blessing resting on me.
Words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the love light of Jesus' face.

Tell me about the disciples from far and near, and I will listen among them eager to hear.
Whose loaves and fishes did Jesus bless, showing the people God's tenderness.

Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea. Tossing the boat in a tempest on Galilee.
And how the master, ready and kind chided the billows, and hushed the wind.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of palm tree high in my hand.
One of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King".

Show me the scene in the garden, of bitter pain. Show me the cross where my Saviour for me was slain.
Sad ones or bright ones, so that they be, stories of Jesus, tell them to me. Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

God bless your church with strength

John A. Dallas

God bless your church with strength!
Wherever we may be,
up build your servants as we work
in common ministry.
Urge us from fledgling faith
to venture and to soar
through open skies to sing the praise
of Christ whom we adore.

God bless your church with life!
May all our branches thrive,
unblemished, wholesome, bearing fruit,
abundantly alive.
From you, one holy vine,
in freedom may we grow;
sustain us in our mission, Lord,
your love and peace to show.

God bless your church with hope!
Despite chaotic days,
may we in darkness shine to light
a pathway through life's maze.
May justice be our aim,
and kindness ours to share;
in humbleness oh may we walk,
assured our God is there!

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*To Tune: Diademata (Crown Him with Many Crowns)

God of the sparrow, God of the whale

Jaroslav J. Vajda

God of the sparrow, God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake, God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow, God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry, God of the sick
God of the prodigal
How does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbour, God of the foe
God of the pruning hook
How does the creature say Love
How does the creature say Peace.

God of the ages, God near at hand
God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

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Jesus' hands were kind hands

Margaret Cropper

Jesus' hands were kind hands,
doing good to all,
healing pain and sickness,
blessing children small,
washing tired feet
and saving those who fall;
Jesus' hands were kind hands,
doing good to all.

Take my hands, Lord Jesus,
let them work for you;
make them strong and gentle,
kind in all I do.
Let me watch you, Jesus,
'til I'm gentle too,
'til my hands are kind hands,
quick to work for you.

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What does the Lord require of you

Jim Strathdee

What does the Lord require of you?
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Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.
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To seek justice, and love kindness,
And walk humbly with your God.
To seek justice, and love kindness,
And walk humbly with your God.

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Lord of all hopefulness

Jan Struther

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust ever childlike,
no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray
your bliss in our hearts, Lord,
at the break of day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled
at the plane and lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray
your strength in our hearts,
Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome,
your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray
your love in our hearts, Lord,
at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment,
whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us,
we pray your peace in our hearts, Lord,
at the end of the day.

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Please Pray

- ◆ For God's healing and strength for **Jeanne Ferguson** as she continues to make progress at home.
- ◆ For healing and pain control for **Vic Laursen** as he receives care at Waverly Manor.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Ken Hall, Betty Smedley, and Linda McPherson.**
- ◆ For God's healing hand to touch **Doug Bruce** as he recovers at home from a mild heart attack.
- ◆ For healing and a spirit of perseverance for **Shirley Hall** as she recovers at home from a fractured clavicle bone.
- ◆ For God's healing Spirit to strengthen and encourage **Leny Jongepier** as she recovers at Westmount Gardens from the recent amputation of the lower part of her leg.
- ◆ 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.

Chalmers COVID Protocols

Advanced registration is no longer required for Sunday services. We will continue with:

- 1) Masks are **recommended** in the building.
- 2) Physical distancing of 2 m maintained in the building at all times.
- 3) Food & beverages are not permitted in the building at this time.

Vacation Notice:

Beth Hickey is on vacation until Friday, August 20, 2022. We thank Kim Poser for providing organist supply during this time.



August 14: The Raw Carrot Soup Enterprise is a growing social enterprise that is doing so much more than making soup—it is changing lives by employing individuals living with disabilities and mental illness. Meagan is one of the many people who have found meaningful employment at the Raw Carrot. Her work has helped her to gain confidence and skills and to feel proud of who she is and what she can contribute. Meagan is a huge Raw Carrot fan, as she put it, "The world should have more Raw Carrots, not just because they have good soup, but because it's a good place to work." With support from Presbyterians Sharing, the Raw Carrot is transforming lives. We pray for the staff at the Raw Carrot and give thanks for the meaningful employment and support that this social enterprise provides to people living with disabilities and mental illness.

Speaking of Stewardship

Giving is always a blessing; generosity is always life-changing.

Todd Stocker – *author, life coach*

Charity Doubles Tennis Tournament

in support of Camp Kintail takes place **Saturday, August 20, 2022**, 10 am to 12 noon at Western University Tennis Centre. Donations welcome! Please mark your donation "Tennis Tournament for Kintail".

Library News

A Bride in Store – by Melissa Jagears

This story takes place in 1881 when "mail-order brides" were something that seemed like a good idea. Marriages would be arranged by mail, and the bride and groom would meet for the first time when the bride arrived in her new town.

Eliza Cantrell is just such a bride-to-be, and is on her way by train to meet her intended husband when the train is robbed. A group of men come through the carriages and demand money, jewellery and anything of value from the passengers. Eliza has her inheritance with her as a start in her new life, and she tries to hide it from the robbers. But the thief who is standing by her seat notices her attempt to hide the money and he not only takes it, but he pistol whips her across the face and neck, cutting her quite badly. When they train finally arrives in Salt Flatts, Eliza has no money, is seriously hurt, and her future husband is not even in town.

This is an interesting story that takes place in a time long past. I thoroughly enjoyed it.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Exit Interview Meetings

With Rev. John's retirement scheduled for September 1, 2022, a series of exit interview meetings are planned with Rev. Keith McKee and Presbytery Committee. These will be in-person meetings here at Chalmers the evening of Tuesday, August 23, between 6:30 and 8:45 pm and will include a time for congregational discussion. Members of the congregation are invited to meet with Rev. McKee between 8 and 8:45 pm.

St. Georges Church Yard Sale

St George's Presbyterian Church, 1475 Dundas Street East, invites you to our Yard and Bake sale on August 20, 2022 from 8 am to 1 pm. Shop second-hand items, frozen meat pies, and home-made baked goods from our Church families.

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 in the amount you choose is withdrawn directly from your bank account monthly. Forms are available in the church office, or we can send you one by email.

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Naomi Mabondo	August 14
Courtney Cronkwright	August 16
Brynn Colledge	August 17
Jacqueline Nathaniel	August 18
Margaret Harper	August 20
Lizz Thibodeau	August 21
Didine Mabondo	August 22

