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WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude Beth Hickey
Chalmers' Life and Mission Lizz Thibodeau
Welcome Doug Bruce

Call to Worship:

One: For joy to the LORD, all the earth.

All: Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

One: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

One: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

***Hymn of Praise:** *Holy, Holy, Holy* 299

Prayers of Adoration Mary MacDonald

Prayer of Confession

All: God of all that matters,

Forgive us when we forget what matters to you.

**Forgive the sins we have tried to hide,
and those we were once proud to commit.**

**Forgive the sins we have done to please ourselves,
and the sins we have done to please others.**

**By your grace, forgive us,
and bless what we can become through your faithfulness to us.**

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace:

One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination Maureen Bruff

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 18:1-6 (NRSV)

One: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn of Praise:** *Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh On Me* 400

Responsive Reading: Psalm 148 (NRSV)

One: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

All: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

One: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

All: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

One: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.

All: He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

One: Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

All: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

One: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

All: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

One: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

All: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Hymns of Creation** *For The Beauty of the Earth* 434

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Gospel Reading: Matthew 7:24-27 Torry Thibodeau

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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Celebrating with the Children Janet Bruce

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Praise: Jesus Loves Me, This I Know 373

Prayers For the Earth Gillian Cote

Hymn of Praise God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale (Verses 1, 2 & 3)

Prayers for the Hungry and Sick

Hymn of Praise God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale (Verses 4, 5 & 6)

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Invitation to the Offering Doug Bruce

Dedication Song: Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart by Henry Smith

Dedication Prayer for Offering

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Instrumental Postlude Doug Bruce

Chalmers Presbyterian Church
Worship Celebration

August 18, 2024

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Festival of Hymns and Prayer

Chalmers' Ministry Team:

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- Clerk of Session
- Music Director
- Office Administrator
- Caretaker
- Pastor
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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. the visitor card basket on the information table.

Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall immediately following worship today.

We welcome the Chalmers Worship Committee as our Worship Leaders this morning:
Maureen Bruff, Doug Bruce, Janet Bruce, Gillian Cote, Lizz Thibodeau, Torry Thibodeau

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: AUGUST 18 — AUGUST 25

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am
WEDNESDAY	Knitting Circle will resume in September	
THURSDAY	Senior Choir will resume September 5th	6:30pm –8:00pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Programming will resume September 20th	9:00am—12:00pm
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am

Church Office Hours : Summer Office Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 9am — 2pm. These hours are posted on the church office door for your reference. Feel free to reach the office by phone (519) 681-7242, or email office@chalmerslondon.com.

Volunteers:

AUGUST 18

AUGUST 25

HOSTS	Bill George Lorna Wilson Islay Thibodeau	Todd Webster Brenda Webster Yvonne Daniel
AUDIO VISUALS	Torry Islay Lizz	Josiah Nathaniel Lizz
FELLOWSHIP	Keith & Cathy Spooner	Karen Dutton & Dennis Shackelton
SUNDAY SCHOOL	No Sunday School Activity packages are available for children—be sure to get one from your hosts!	No Sunday School Activity packages are available for children—be sure to get one from your hosts!

Please Pray

- ◆ For God’s healing for the friends and family of **E. Brennan**, who passed away July 15th.
- ◆ For God’s continued healing for **A. Nathaniel** as she recovers after surgery.
- ◆ For God’s healing for the **May** family, for the recent passing of their beloved **Barry**.
- ◆ For God’s continued healing for **B. George** after a serious car accident.
- ◆ For God’s healing for **P. Hunter** who was in a serious motorcycle accident.
- ◆ For strength and healing for **J. Ferguson** as she deals with several health concerns.
- ◆ For God’s healing for **C. McCartney**, who is dealing with many health concerns; pray also for strength for Cathy as she cares for him.
- ◆ We pray for church musicians, ministers and all those who plan and lead worship as they prepare for the fall.
- ◆ We celebrate stewardship committees that help people in congregations across Canada discover the joy of sharing their gifts to participate in God’s mission.
- ◆ We pray for people who are angry and whose lives are shaped by bitterness, resentment and frustration that makes it difficult to give and receive grace.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers for **L. Bone, S. Nimako, B. Ertl, J. Gill, J. Harrett, L. Jongepier, L. McInnis, B. Smedley, B. Campbell.**

Have you noticed the lovely polished candle sticks, the memorial plate & the Bible stand at the front of the Sanctuary? A big shoutout to Audrey Baldwin for enhancing our worship space. Thank you so much! ~Pat MacKay



Mission Moment: Sunday August 18

On World Humanitarian Day, we recognize and celebrate the efforts of humanitarian workers who provide life-saving assistance to millions of people affected by conflicts, natural disasters and other emergencies. We give thanks for PWS&D partners, who work tirelessly to ensure that essential food aid gets delivered, devastated communities are rebuilt, and access to life-saving resources is within reach. Humanitarian workers play a crucial role in ensuring the welfare of the vulnerable. Through collaborative efforts, we are working to build a sustainable, compassionate and just world. Let us take a moment this World Humanitarian Day to honour these advocates and offer an unwavering commitment to supporting their vital efforts.



From PCC: Sunday, August 18

We pray for congregations navigating difficult and contentious issues, and that the Committee on Church Doctrine’s paper, “On Unity and Diversity,” may help bring insight into how these two concepts work together.

From our Audio / Visual Team...

The AV Team was excited to have the first service with the new equipment in July, and it went well. That being said: various members of the Team will be using the equipment for the first time over the next several weeks so please have patience as they learn. Also, if you have any suggestions, especially for those that watch the service on-line, please send them to the office so the AV Team can review them.

Marilyn McFadden



Teens, Adults, Seniors

Make a Joyful
Noise!

Reachout
Wednesdays
Sept. 4th - Dec. 18th
7:30-9:00pm

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Jacqueline Nathaniel	August 18
Serenity Villers	August 18
Margaret Harper	August 20
Lizz Thibodeau	August 21
Didine Mabondo	August 22

Senior Choir ★ BEGINS SOON!

— SEPTEMBER 5TH —

Join us Thursdays
6:30pm - 8pm

Please let Beth Hickey know
if you are interested.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Andrew Thompson continues to be on holiday and Study Leave this summer. He will return August 19th.

Should you need Pastoral Care, contact your Elder or the Reverend below:

Available Sunday Aug 18:
Rev. Jim Patterson
(226) 378-5792

Care & Share Corner

Your continued support of this vital ministry is greatly appreciated! Financial gifts are always welcomed! Note that our food pantry pick-up is closed for the summer, and will begin again September 4th.

Pantry needs for AUGUST are:

- ◇ Pasta Sauce
- ◇ Tuna

From the Library...

The Perfect Silhouette – By Judith Miller

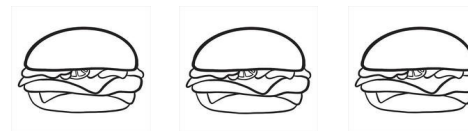
The time is 1850, the place is Manchester, New Hampshire. Mellicent Blanchard, commonly called Mellie, has to leave her home and find a way to make a living – hoping to be able to send money ‘home’, to help her sister. Mellie takes a job in a mill and starts working the long hours for little pay that was common in that time.

But Mellie has a talent that she hopes to put to good use in her new life. Mellie does paper cuttings or silhouette portraits for folks who can’t afford the highly priced daguerreotype. Mellie is very good at her “hobby” and is soon in great demand for the silhouette portraits.

I really enjoyed this story. It shows the absolute poverty of the time – and how hard most young people worked to make a small pittance of a salary. I also found the art of paper cuttings and silhouette portraits to be fascinating.

Let me know if you enjoy reading this book.

Christine Hunter, Librarian



Burger Bash is Back!

Join us Sunday Sept. 8th after the service for Burger Bash to launch the fall season!
Free Event and All are Welcome!

HIBERNATION SALE

On Sept. 7th, we will be selling books, puzzles games and baked goods in preparation for "winter hibernation". Please hang on to any of these items that you might read and play with during the summer, and then we will collect these items. These items can be brought to the church on Sunday mornings, and also on Fri. Sept. 6th from 1pm to 4pm. Baked goods can be dropped off on Fri. Sept. 6th as well.



VOLUNTEERS

We also need volunteers for the Hibernation Sale! A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex, on the table beside the name tag station. Please specify on the sheet if you are available for the set up on Friday, September 6th and/or the sale on Saturday September 7th.

