

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Welcome to worship. Our services are in-person and live-streamed through our website at [chalmerslondon.com](http://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 21-28

<b>SUNDAY</b>	Livestream and In-Person Worship Communion Sunday	10:00 am
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Exit Review Meetings Members of Congregation invited to meet with Rev. Keith McKee	8:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Online Prayer Meeting Reachout Rehearsal	12:30 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Softball	10:00 am
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Livestream and In-Person Worship Farewell Lunch on the Lawn	10:00 am 11:30 am

### Office Hours:

For the week of August 22—26, Wendy will be in the office **Tuesday, Wednesday & FRIDAY, 8:30 am—1:30 pm**. The office will be closed Thursday. Rev. John can be reached by email at [jbannerman@bellnet.ca](mailto:jbannerman@bellnet.ca) or on his cell, 226-919-9180.

### Worship Volunteers:

	This Week	Next Week
<b>HOSTS</b>	Lorna Wilson Bill George Muriel Bertling	Anita Powell Fran Peach Jane Vannus
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<b>Webex</b>	Richard Cote	Marilyn McFadden

## Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

August 21, 2022

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

In-Person and Livestream Worship



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Call to Worship

Living Faith 7.7.1

One: In breaking bread and drinking wine Jesus told us to remember him.

**All: In this action called Holy Communion, Lord's Supper, or Eucharist, Christ offers himself to us and we present ourselves to him in worship and adoration.**

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**All: And also with you.**

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## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 146

One: Praise the Lord!

**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

One: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

**All: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

One: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**All: When their breath departs they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.**

One: Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

**All: whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.**

One: The Lord sets the prisoners free;

**All: the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.**

One: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

**All: the Lord loves the righteous.**

One: The Lord watches over the strangers, and upholds the orphan and the widow;

**All: but the Lord bring the way of the wicked to ruin.**

One: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

**All: Praise the Lord!**

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:43-47

John 6:1-15

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Special Praise: *By Faith* K & K Getty, S. Townend sung by Wendy Sibley

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## All who hunger, gather gladly

Sylvia G. Dunstan

All who hunger, gather gladly;  
holy manna is our bread.  
Come from restlessness and wandering.  
Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness,  
all around us, is our food

Refrain:

*Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.*

All who hunger, never strangers,  
seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming.  
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered  
in communion's love have stood.

Refrain

All who hunger, sing together;  
Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing.  
Here, in peace, we have been led.  
Blest are those who from this table  
live their days in gratitude.

Refrain

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## Lift up your hearts/Sing Halleluia

Early Christian Liturgy

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord,  
Lift up your hearts unto the Lord,  
Sing halleluia, sing halleluia  
Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.

2. In Christ the world has been redeemed...
3. His resurrection sets us free...
4. Therefore we celebrate the feast...
5. Sing halleluia to the Lord...

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## Eat this bread

John 6:35, paraphrase R. Batastini

Eat this bread, drink this cup;  
Come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup;  
Trust in me and you will not thirst.

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## We give Thee but thine own

Words: William Walsham How

Music: Konig's harmonischer Liederschatz

Arr.: William Henry Havergal

We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us,  
to thee our first-fruits give.

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## The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And with you also.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna  
in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again. Amen.**

## The love of God comes close

John L. Bell, Graham Maule, John David Edwards

The love of God comes close  
where stands an open door,  
to let the stranger in,  
to mingle rich and poor.

*The love of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the love of God is here to stay.*

The peace of God comes close  
to those caught in the storm,  
forgoing lives of ease  
to ease the lives forlorn.

*The peace of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the peace of God is here to stay.*

The joy of God comes close  
where faith encounters fears,  
where heights and depths of life  
are found through smiles and tears.

*The joy of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the joy of God is here to stay.*

The grace of God comes close  
to those whose grace is spent,  
when hearts are tired or sore  
and hope is bruised and bent.

*The grace of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the grace of God is here to stay.*

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## Now let us from this table rise

Fred Kaan

Now let us from this table rise  
renewed in body, mind and soul;  
with Christ we die and live again,  
whose selfless love had made us whole.

With minds alert, upheld by grace,  
to spread the Word in speech and deed,  
we follow in the steps of Christ,  
at one with all in hope and need.

To fill each human house with love,  
it is the sacrament of care;  
the world that Christ began to do  
we humbly pledge ourselves to share.

Then give us grace, companion God,  
to choose again the pilgrim way,  
and help us to accept with joy  
the challenge of tomorrow's 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.

## Exit Review 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.**



**August 21:** When the Taliban took control of Afghanistan in August 2021, an atmosphere of uncertainty prevailed. Among the many issues that have surfaced since the Taliban takeover are rapidly spreading hunger and restrictions to education. International sanctions on the Taliban make it challenging to provide assistance in Afghanistan. When possible, Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) provides emergency food assistance with the support of other members of Canadian Foodgrains Bank. PWS&D's partner in Afghanistan has also established 12 education centres to safely support students while restrictions on education are in place.

As the future for people in Afghanistan remains uncertain under Taliban control, we pray that God grants them the strength to get through this difficult period.

## Speaking of Stewardship

"Happiness is not made by what we own. It is what we share."

*Rabbi Jonathan Sacks – philosopher, theologian, author*

## 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

## Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

<b>Lizz Thibodeau</b>	August 21
<b>Didine Mabondo</b>	August 22
<b>Stephanie Cadieux</b>	August 24
<b>Kathryn Biro</b>	August 29
<b>Betty Longmore</b>	September 1

## 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.



## Rev. John's Farewell Service & Lunch on the Lawn

Rev. John Bannerman's farewell service will take place at Chalmers Presbyterian Church

**Sunday, August 28, 2022 at 10 am.**

Following the service, please join us for Lunch on the Lawn, a free burger lunch, and an opportunity to say goodbye to Rev. John & Laurie and to wish them well.

**All welcome!**