

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.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: AUGUST 25 — SEPTEMBER 1

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am
WEDNESDAY	Knitting Circle will resume in September Reachout Choir will resume September 4th	7:30—9pm
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 :. Beginning Tuesday August 27th, our office hours will be Tuesday– Friday 8:30am—3pm. 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 25 SEPTEMBER 1

HOSTS	Todd Webster Brenda Webster Yvonne Daniel	Chris Hardy Pat MacKay Brian MacKay
AUDIO VISUALS	Josiah Nathaniel Lizz	Bob Rose Marie Marilyn
FELLOWSHIP	Karen Dutton & Dennis Shakleton	Long Weekend
SUNDAY SCHOOL	No Sunday School (Summer Session—ask hosts for kids' activity packages in the narthex)	No Sunday School (Summer Session—ask hosts for kids' activity packages in the narthex)

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

August 25, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Lizz Thibodeau
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* Signifies to stand if you are able

WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Bill George

Call to Worship:

One: Let us worship God in the Beauty of Holiness.

All: Let us bow down out hearts and give him praise.

One: Let us bring ourselves in humble adoration.

All: Knowing that God is King over all the earth.

One: Jesus Christ is Lord!

All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Praise:

This is My Father's World

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Prayers of Adoration & Confession & **The Lord's Prayer**

Assurance of Pardon

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

All: And also with you.

Special Praise: *A Bush Bursts Into Flame (#673)* Presented by Judith DeWitt

Celebrating with the Children

*Hymn of Praise:

Praise, I Will Praise You Lord

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: Psalm 32:1-7 (NRSV)

One: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

All: Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

One: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

All: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah

One: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah

All: Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

One: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

All: Selah

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1-2; 16-21 Philippians 3: 4-14 (NRSV)

Loretta Duffin

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message:

Forgetting

*Hymn of Praise:

Will You Come and Follow Me

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

*Offering Praise:

God, Whose Giving (v 1 & 3)

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Offering Prayer and Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Praise:

One More Step Along the World I Go

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Commissioning & Benediction

*Benediction Song:

Three-fold Choral Amen

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Instrumental Postlude



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.
- ◆ On August 31st, we recognize the violent history of colonization faced by people of African descent, and we seek the Spirit's wisdom to end ongoing anti-Black racism.
- ◆ 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**.

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



Mission Moment: Sunday August 25

In Malawi, the Mabiri Community Day Secondary School's Sexual Reproductive Health Club is a component of the Every Girl Empowered Project, which is supported by PWS&D. One of the issues discussed by club members is school dropout rates among their peers. One of the reasons for this is the inability to pay school fees. Determined to make a difference, club members identified a peer, Wezzie, aged 16, struggling financially. To help her, they organized an open house event, inviting supporters to hear Wezzie's story and learn about the importance of financial support for marginalized pupils. Through their advocacy efforts, the club secured pledges to cover Wezzie's school fees, enabling her to take and pass her examinations successfully. The club was pleased knowing they successfully advocated to help improve Wezzie's future.

From PCC: Sunday, August 25

We give thanks and pray for the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian in Malawi, celebrating its 100th anniversary this month.

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Robert Villers	August 26
Nathaniel Thompson	August 27
Kathryn Biro	August 29

From the Library...

In our donated books, there are three books by a new author (to me) – Kristy Cambron. I really enjoyed her books, but she writes in, for me, an unusual way. Her books flip back and forward in time, and so I had a little notebook nearby that I could jot down where we were now – and sometimes I also wrote down who the initial two characters were. I found that this helped me keep track of what year we were in – and once I started to do this, I found her books and her stories to be fascinating, and well written. I hope this little introduction will help to make these books as interesting to you as they certainly were to me. Check for these books on the “New Books Shelf” in the library: “A Sparrow in Terezin”, “The Paris Dressmaker”, and “The Illusionist's Apprentice”

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.

Senior Choir ★ BEGINS SOON!

— SEPTEMBER 5TH —

Join us Thursdays
6:30pm - 8pm

Please let Beth Hickey know
if you are interested.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Wednesdays 7:30-9:00pm

SING PRAISES TO GOD WITH REACHOUT

No experience needed

Starting Sept. 4th