

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 Annual General Meeting of Chalmers Presbyterian Church will take place after worship today. All members are encouraged to attend. Coffee will be served in the narthex following the service. *We ask that you please not bring coffee into the sanctuary.*

This Week at a Glance: FEBRUARY 25—MARCH 3

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship—Lent II Annual General Meeting	10:00 am 11:15 am
TUESDAY	Ladies' Games Night	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Lent Bible Study (choir room) Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Reachout Rehearsal	10:30 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Seniors' Satellite VBE Registration Opens	9:00 am 8:30 am
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am

Church Office Hours: The church office is closed Mondays, **and open Tuesday to Friday, 8:30 am–2:30 pm.** Call 519-681-7242 or email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca with any questions or admin needs.

Volunteers:

FEBRUARY 25

MARCH 3

HOSTS	Chris Hardy Yvonne Daniel Islay Thibodeau	Mary Vair Christine Hunter Cathy Spooner
AUDIO VISUALS	Torry Thibodeau Nathaniel Thompson Marilyn McFadden	Chris Hardy Jack Hardy Richard Cote
FELLOWSHIP	Gord & Mary Vair	Brian & Pat MacKay
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Linda Adamson Judy Steward	Judy Steward Angeline Nathaniel



CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

February 25, 2024

Second Sunday in Lent



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Lizz Thibodeau
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. Andrew Thompson

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WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Chris Hardy

Call to Worship: Lenten Worship Liturgy

PWS&D Insert

Hymn of Praise: *This is my Father's world*

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

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

All: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: *To Calvary* by James Koerts

Celebrating with the Children

Hymn of Praise: *We come to ask your forgiveness*

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 22:23-31

One: You, who fear the Lord, praise God! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify God;
stand in awe, you offspring of Israel!

All: For you, Lord, did not despise or disdain the affliction of the afflicted;

One: you did not hide your face from me, but heard me when I cried to you.

**All: From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those who fear you.**

One: The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek the Lord shall praise the Lord!
May your hearts live forever!

All: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

One: and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

All: For dominion belongs to the Lord who rules over the nations.

One: All who sleep in the earth shall bow down to the Lord;

All: all who go down to the dust, shall bow before the Lord; and I shall live for God.

One: Posterity shall serve the Lord; future generations will be told about the Lord,
and proclaim deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that God has done it.

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:27-38

Bill George

ONE: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Message: The Cruciform Way

Hymn of Praise: *We lay our broken world in sorrow at your feet*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *When we are living*

630 (vv. 1, 2,4)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

Hymn of Praise: *Guide me, O Thou Great Redeemer*

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Commissioning & Benediction

Benediction Song: *Jesus, remember me*

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Instrumental Postlude



CHOIR ANTHEM: **To Calvary**, by James Koerts

King of my life, I crown Thee now, Thine shall the glory be;
I'll not forget Thy thorn-crowned brow, lead me to Calvary.

Show me the tomb where Thou was laid, tenderly mourned and wept;
angels in robes of light arrayed guarded Thee while Thou slept.

*Refrain: I'll not forget Gethsemane; I'll not forget Thine agony;
I'll not forget Thy love for me. Lead me to Calvary.*

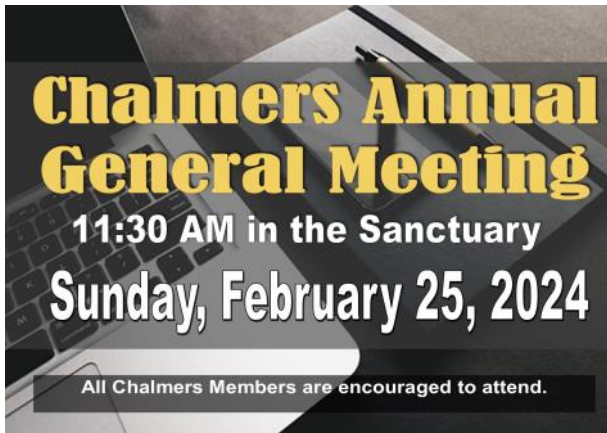
Let me like Mary through the gloom, come with a gift to Thee;
show to me now the empty tomb, lead me to Calvary. (Refrain)

May I be willing, Lord, to bear daily my cross for Thee;
even Thy cup of grief to share, Thou has borne all for me. (Refrain)

Lead me to Calvary.

Please Pray

- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Barry M** who has been transferred to Parkwood to continue his recovery; pray also for strength for **Edna**.
- ◆ For God's comfort for **Anita P**, whose sister passed away in England at the end of January.
- ◆ For **Leny J** who is receiving care in hospital.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles M**, who is dealing with many health concerns; pray also for strength for Cathy as she cares for him.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Beverley E, Jim G, Helen L, Jackie H, Laura M, Betty S, Bill C**.



Lent Bible Study

Continues on Wednesdays from 10:30am—11:30am in the choir room, taking a look at “**24 Hours that Changed the World**”, led by Rev. Andrew. Experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. Dates remaining: March 6, 13 & 20. All are welcome to join in at any time.

Mission Moment

February 25: “We really appreciate the program, as we are in dire need to keep the education going for our kids,” shared a grateful parent. For Afghan children who sought refuge in Pakistan, education is often out of reach because they are not nationals. PWS&D supports the Digital Learning Center in Peshawar, which provides out-of-school children and adults with basic digital literacy classes, high school courses and tutoring sessions that aim to help a total of 520 students. Students and their family members are benefiting from the Darakht-e Danesh Library, which provides free and open educational resources on such topics as math, language, business and the sciences. Students access classes both in English and Dari/Farsi, equipping them with essential skills and providing hope for those who have lost so much, broadening their opportunities for the future.

Stewardship Moment

Stewardship is the way we love God and neighbor with our whole lives, not just our wallets.

Charles Lane and Grace Pomroy – authors

St. Paddy's Day Soup'er Stew:

Join us Sunday, March 17 immediately following worship for a St. Paddy's Day Soup'er Stew lunch. Sign up TODAY in the narthex to let us know how many are coming, and whether you are able to bring a soup or stew!

Membership Classes:

Are you interested in becoming a member of Chalmers Presbyterian Church? Chalmers will be welcoming new members by transfer and by profession of faith in March. We hope to offer membership classes on Sundays, March 3rd and 10th at 11:30 am. If you would be interested in attending, please speak with Rev. Andrew.

From the Library...

To Love a Prince by Rachel Hauck

This is a wonderful story, full of action, love, misunderstandings, and family loyalties. It is Book 1 of a 2 part series and we have both books.

As youngsters, Prince John, Prince Augustus and Daffodil play together, live together and just enjoy each other's company until Daffodil oversteps the boundaries and tries on one of the queen's ball gowns. Daffodil (Daffy) is then banished from the castle and made to live in the servants quarters with her mother.

Daffy grows up to be a curator for the Royal Trust and has a handsome, successful boyfriend who she assumes she will eventually settle down with.

Daffy, her sister Ella and a dear friend, Leslie, are on holiday in Florida when a handsome young man throws a frisbee for his dog to catch, and catches Daffy instead. The young man looks familiar, but Daffy is not sure if she truly recognises him or not. That is as far as I am going to entice you all to read this book and enjoy the interesting, intricate relationships that flourish and fail as life happens!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Vacation Bible Experience is being planned for the week of July 8-12 from 9 am – 12 pm here at Chalmers, for children completed JK to age 11. Please be sure to share this opportunity with family & friends. **Online registration will open March 1, 2024.**

WE NEED YOU! Looking for 15-20 volunteers to help out at VBE — high school students welcomed (volunteer hours available). See the flyer in the narthex for details and sign up in the narthex today or contact Sara Thompson: sarathompsonpcc@gmail.com

Care & Share Corner

Your continued support of this vital ministry is greatly appreciated! Financial gifts are always needed, and pantry needs this month are:

- ◆ **baked beans (no pork)**
- ◆ **cereal**

Ongoing needs: egg cartons and reusable, cloth grocery bags please & thanks!!

GROW: A six-week, Lenten Study **over Zoom** is again being offered by leadership from across the Presbytery of London. Each Wednesday evening session runs from 7pm – 8pm. Registration is not required—come when you can! **Pick up a flyer in the narthex, and contact the church office for the Zoom link** (changes weekly).

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Jackie Harrett	February 26
Colin Ball	February 27
Paige Hardy	March 5
Abbey Poser	March 8



Join us **Tuesday, February 27th at 7:00pm** for a night of games and fellowship (and perhaps even dessert!). Sign up today in the narthex—bring a friend!.