

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. We invite you to stay and fellowship with us over coffee in the lower hall following worship.

THANK YOU to **Kim Poser** for stepping in on short notice as instrumentalist today in our worship service, while Beth Hickey travels to attend a family funeral.

This Week at a Glance: FEBRUARY 4 -11

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship, Communion Stephen Ministry	10:00 am 7:00 pm
TUESDAY	CE & Faith Development Meeting (Zoom)	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Pastoral Care Team Meeting Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Reachout Rehearsal	9:30 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Session Executive Meeting Choir Rehearsal	8:45 am 6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Exercise Programs Resumes	9:00 am
SATURDAY	A/V Team Meeting—Sanctuary	9:00 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 4

FEBRUARY 11

HOSTS	Bill George Lorna Wilson Maureen Bruff	Keith Johnston Phyllis Johnstor, Joyce Kilbourne
AUDIO VISUALS	Bob Finlay Josiah Duffin Rose Marie Finlay	Chris Hardy Jack Hardy Marilyn McFadden
FELLOWSHIP	Marg Ward, Keith & Cathy Spooner	Elaine McInnis, Heather Reid
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Sarah Thompson Marilyn McFadden	Linda Adamson Sarah Thompson



CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

February 4, 2024

Communion Sunday

Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany



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
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WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Bill George

Call to Worship

One: God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness.

All: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it; for God has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers. Let everything that has breath, praise the LORD!

One: There is no distinction between Jew or Greek,

All: The same GOD is LORD of all and richly blesses all who call on him.

Hymn of Praise: *Holy, holy, holy*

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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: *Did You Think to Pray* by Gilpin

Celebrating with the Children

Hymn of Praise: *Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpets*

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 147:1-11

One: Praise the LORD!

All: How good it is to sing praises to our God, the Lord is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

One: The Lord builds up Jerusalem, and gathers the outcasts of Israel.

All: The Lord heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

One: The Lord determines the number of the stars, and gives to all of them their names.

All: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power, whose understanding is beyond measure.

One: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

All: make melody to our God on the lyre.

One: The Lord covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass to grow on the hills.

All: The Lord gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

One: The Lord takes no delight in the strength of the horse, nor pleasure in the speed of a runner;

All: but the Lord delights in those who show reverence, in those who hope in God's steadfast love.

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40: 21-31

Mark 1:29-39

Sarah Thompson

ONE: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Message: **A Solitary Place**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *Glorify Thy name*

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Offering Prayer

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Apostle's Creed

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Communion Praise: *One bread, one body*

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Sharing of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

Hymn of Praise: *We are God's people*

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Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen

Instrumental Postlude



Please Pray

- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Barry M** who remains in hospital recovering from surgery; for strength for Edna as she cares for him.
- ◆ For God's comfort for **Beth H** and family with the passing of her nephew.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Janet B**, as she recovers from shoulder surgery.
- ◆ For God's comfort for **Beverley E** as she settles into her new space at Dearness Home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jim G**, who is suffering from Long Covid, receiving care at Parkwood.
- ◆ 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 **Helen L, Leny J, Jackie H, Laura M, Betty S, Bill C.**

Lent Bible Study

On Wednesdays from 10:30am—11:30am in the choir room, beginning February 14, we will take a look at **"24 Hours that Changed the World"**, a 6-week video Bible study and discussion led by Rev. Andrew. Experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. Dates: Feb 14, 21, 28 and March 6, 13 & 20. Sign up today in the narthex!

Chalmers Chili Night!

Join us **Saturday, February 17th at 6 pm** in the Lower Hall for Chili Night. *Who will be Chalmers Chili Champ for 2024?* Sign up to make a pot of chili and join the fun, maybe you will be the new Chili Champ! \$5.00 per person. Sign up today in the narthex, and let us know how many will be attending, & if you'll be bringing your special chili!

Mission Moment

January 28: For decades, Presbyterian World Service & Development has faithfully dedicated itself to serving those in need across the globe. In collaboration with our valued partners, PWS&D is actively contributing to positive transformation within our global community. From responding to emergencies to helping families and communities access nutritious food, clean water, adequate health care and quality education, PWS&D is helping people thrive. As people of faith, we respond to Christ's call to walk with the distressed and marginalized, work towards equality, the restoration of human dignity, peace, and care for God's creation. Together, we are working towards a sustainable, compassionate and just world.

Stewardship Moment

"Money never stays with me. It would burn me if it did. I throw it out of my hands as soon as possible, lest it should find its way into my heart."
John Wesley – English cleric, theologian, and evangelist

Tax Receipts

Unfortunately an error was made in the printing of tax receipts this year—they are missing some information required by CRA. **New, replacement receipts will be issued next week.** We apologize for the inconvenience.



Hold the date! We are planning a card/games night for **Tuesday, February 27th**. Watch your bulletin for more details!

From the Library...

All is Calm, All is Bright – by Colleen Coble

These are two short stories that take place at Christmas – but they are murder mysteries and I found them interesting, exciting and hard to put down.

All is Calm: Lauren Everman is a horse lover. She is also very good at training, understanding and caring for horses. Now there has been a murder at the stables she lives at, works at and makes her home. Lauren is blamed for all that has happened and finally takes off, with her horse, to find a safe place to stay. Exciting right to the last paragraph.

All is Bright: Delilah Carter helps to run the Tide-water Inn, and is also trying to plan a magnificent wedding for her friend, Elin Summerall. It is a busy life, but she loves it. As she leaves work one night and is driving along the coast road, a black truck runs into her, and then succeeds in pushing her off the road and into the ocean. I think that is enough to see that this too is an exciting story. Who is trying to kill her – and why?

I really enjoyed both of these short stories – I'm sure you will too.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Peggy Ross	February 7
Kim Poser	February 10
Jasmine Villers	February 10
Laverne Barfoot	February 12
Daniel Bolton	February 12
Josiah Duffin	February 13

Care & Share Corner

Our client base **increased by 55% in 2023**, as more and more households struggle to feed their families. 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), and fruit juice.**
We also need EGG CARTONS please!!

Hat and Mitten Donations

Thank you to everyone who donated to the "Hat and Mitten Tree". It was a great success and three large bags were donated and have been dropped off to Mission Services. I am confident we can do this again next year. ~ Joyce Kilbourne Chalmers Knitting Circle

CHOIR ANTHEM:

Did You Think to Pray? by Greg Gilpin

When you left your room this morning, did you think to pray?
Did you ask for loving favour as a shield today?
Oh, how praying rests the weary!
Prayer will change the night to day.
So in sorrow and in gladness,
don't forget to pray.

In the name of Christ our Saviour,
did you think to pray?
Did you claim the Holy Spirit
as your guide and stay?
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