

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **online** worship this Sunday. The service will be available 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 by filling in the short response form.

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: JANUARY 24—31

<b>SUNDAY</b>	Online Worship	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Online Supervision	7:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup	12:30 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting	8:00 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Online Worship	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am

### OFFICE HOURS:

The church building and office remain closed to the public. *Wendy is once again working from HOME. We urge you to call ahead before dropping by the church.* Email [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) with any questions or needs.

Rev. John can be reached on his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, [www.chalmerslondon.com](http://www.chalmerslondon.com). You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## Worship Celebration

January 24, 2021

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

(Online Worship)



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Living Faith 2.2.1

One: The mystery of human existence is that we belong to God and have been made in the divine image.

**All: In God we live and move and have our being.**

One: Therefore, we know ourselves only when we know God.

**All: Our lives must reflect the Creator's love and purpose for all creation.**

Praise: *Arise, your light is come* (Lyrics on p. 3)

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Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Pardon

Celebrating with the Children ('God is talking to you and me' video)

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Micah 6:1-4, 6-8

Scripture Reading: Psalm 62:1-2, 5-8

One: For God alone my soul waits in silence, from whom comes my salvation.

**All: God alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress; I shall never be shaken.**

One: For God alone my soul waits in silence, from whom comes my hope.

**All: God alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress;  
I shall not be shaken.**

One: On God rests my deliverance and my honour;

**All: my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.**

One: Trust in God at all times, O people;

**All: pour out your heart before God who is our refuge.**

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-11

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Praise: *O God, you call for justice* (Lyrics on p. 3)

Message: **What God Requires**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Special Praise: *What does the Lord require of you* (Lyrics on p. 3)

Thibodeau Family

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We praise you, O God* (Lyrics on p. 3)

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Offering Prayer, Prayers of the People & **The Lord's Prayer**

Praise: *May the God of hope go with us every day* (Lyrics on p. 3) 726

The Blessing

Musical Postlude

**We are Called** by David Haas (Postlude Piece)

Come, live in the light, shine with the joy and the love of the Lord.  
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain:

*We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,  
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

Come, open your heart, show your mercy to all those in fear;  
we are called to be hope for the hopeless, so all hatred and blindness will be no more

Refrain

Sing, sing a new song, sing of that great day when all will be one;  
God will reign and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love...

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## Arise, your light is come

Ruth Duck, William H. Walter

Arise, your light is come!  
The Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God  
which shines you your today.

Arise, your light is come!  
Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captive's liberty,  
good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come!  
All you in sorrow born,  
bind up the brokehearted ones  
and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing;  
God's power will make us strong.

© 1974, Ruth Duck.

## O God, you call for justice

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

O God, you call for justice —  
for goodness, never greed!  
You seek a world of fairness  
where all have what they need —  
Where all have food and water  
and homes in which to thrive,  
Where all have hope and laughter  
and joy to be alive!

O God, you call for kindness  
instead of keeping score;  
You seek a world that welcomes  
the hungry and the poor.  
Lord, where there is injustice  
may we work to protect  
The struggling ones, the voiceless  
that others would reject.

You call us to walk humbly,  
for we are not our own;  
We all are poor and needy;  
we need the grace you've shown.  
May we respond to others  
reflecting what you give —  
Compassion, kindness, justice —  
so all may gladly live.

O God, may our great nation  
seek justice, as we should,  
and work with dedication  
to seek the common good.  
We're blessed to be a blessing;  
may we within our law  
Seek justice and compassion  
that reaches out to all.

Tune: AURELIA 7.6.7.6 D ("The Church's One Foundation")  
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## We praise you, O God

Anonymous, Trans: Julia Buckley Cady Cory

We praise you, O God,  
our Redeemer, Creator;  
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.  
We lay it before you;  
we kneel and adore you;  
we bless your holy name;  
glad praises we sing.

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## May the God of hope go with us every day

Alvin Schutmaat

May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
brining light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace,  
singing, share our joy with all.  
Working for a world that's new,  
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

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## SPECIAL PRAISE

### What does the Lord require of you

Jim Strathdee

*What does the Lord require of you?  
What does the Lord require of you?*

Justice, kindness,  
Walk humbly with your God.

To seek justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with your God.

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## Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing and pain control for **Joyce Yull** as she has recently returned to her home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jo-Ann Marshall** as she recovers at home from leg surgery. May God give her strength and peace during her time of convalescence.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he recovers at home after enduring a fall late last year. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Evelyn Campbell** as she recovers from a fall.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Edna May** who is home from hospital.
- ◆ For **Shirley Andersen**, recovering at home from a fall and concussion. May God speed her healing.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Betty Smedley**, **Linda McPherson**, and **Ross Cole**.

**CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR:** Join us Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for a relaxed time of fellowship. We are meeting on Zoom, meeting ID 350 336 4073 (this will remain the same each week) and there is no password. Contact Sue at 226-663-4735 if you have any questions!



### January 24 Providing Food for the Displaced

In Syria, conflict continues to plague the population, causing over six million people to become internally displaced. As a result, many people are faced with a lack of access to food, loss of employment, high prices and inflation, making them very vulnerable. COVID-19 has only exacerbated the situation. Working with partners at Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Presbyterian World Service & Development is providing food baskets to 7,400 families to help meet daily food requirements. During these times of uncertainty, the food baskets will provide a source of sustenance for the families.

### SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP Jan 24

"You can't take it with you, but you can send it on ahead." *Anonymous*

**CARE & SHARE** Chalmers' weekly food assistance program continues to serve our local community in this time of need. Precautions and procedures are in place, as prescribed by the Health Unit. Families in need can call the church Mondays to book an appointment for food pickup on Wednesday between 12:30 and 1:30 pm. The Care & Share team is pleased to welcome Cathy Spooner as a volunteer starting in February! We so appreciate all who give of their time and resources to support this valuable ministry to our community.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### New Books

#### Christian Life:

*24/6* – by J. Matthew Sleeth MD  
*Spiritual Care* – Rev, Moe Anderson

#### Devotional:

*Dear God, It's Me and It's Urgent* – Marion Stroud

#### Bible Study:

*The Bare Bones Bible Bios* - Jim George  
*The Bible, A Biography* – Karen Armstrong

#### Fiction:

*A Silken Thread* – Kim Vogel Sawyer  
*Outbreak* – David Bunn  
*Half Finished* – Lauraine Snelling  
*Christmas at Carnton* – by Tamara Alexander  
*Christmas Next Door* – by Susan Davis & Page McDonough (4 Short Stories)

Christine Hunter, Librarian

**CHALMERS SUNDAY SCHOOL :** Join us online Sundays at 11am following worship. All kids welcome! For login information, contact [chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com](mailto:chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com).

#### CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING:

Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting. We will meet on Webex, every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about an hour. Visit our website, or check your email for login instructions. All Welcome!

**\*\*2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES\*\*:** Offering envelopes are available at the church office. Wendy will be in the office Tuesdays from 9am-11am weekly. Please let her know if you'd like to come pick up your envelopes.

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** At their meeting on December 15 Chalmers Session decided that **online worship will continue for the month of February 2021**. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church and office are **closed**. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

**\*OFFICE HOURS:** The church office is closed and **Wendy will be working from home** as much as possible for the foreseeable future. She can be reached there during her regular office hours (Mon 12-3 pm, Tues/Thurs/Fri 9am—12pm) by email or phone/text (519) 872-0003.

*Chalmers Birthdays this Week*

Mike Poser	January 24
Kristine Hardy	January 27
Linda Adamson	January 28
Jeanne Ferguson	January 28
Susan Garner	January 28
Ben Sanderson	January 28
Richard Cote	January 29
Margaret Holdsworth	January 31

*Happy Birthday!*