

## 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.

### This Week at a Glance: JANUARY 28—FEBRUARY 4

<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Reachout Rehearsal	12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Senior Satellite Exercise Programs Resumes	9:00 am
<b>SUNDAY</b>	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](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) with any questions or admin needs.

### Volunteers:

	JANUARY 28	FEBRUARY 4
<b>HOSTS</b>	Brian MacKay Pat MacKay Wanda MacKay	Bill George Lorna Wilson Maureen Bruff
<b>AUDIO VISUALS</b>	Bob Finlay Nathaniel Thompson Marilyn McFadden	Bob Finlay Josiah Duffin Rose Marie Finlay
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	Keith & Phyllis Johnston	Marg Ward, Keith & Cathy Spooner
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	Linda Adamson Yvonne Daniel	Sarah Thompson Marilyn McFadden



# CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

January 28, 2024

Third Sunday After the Epiphany



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
Lizz Thibodeau  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Maureen Bruff

Call to Worship

One: God's praise endures forever,

**All: and eternity meets us in fleeting moments.**

One: God's praise endures forever,

**All: and glory bursts into ordinary activities.**

One: God's praise endures forever,

**All: and faith is steadfast in the midst of change and challenge.**

One: Let us worship the Eternal God who calls us to this time and place.

**Hymn of Praise:** *All creatures of our God and King*

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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.**

Choir Anthem: *Christ Came to Live Here Among Us* Arr. Hal Hopson

Celebrating with the Children

**Hymn of Praise:** *Jesus bids us shine*

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## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 111

One: Praise the Lord!

**All: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

One: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

**All: Full of honour and majesty are the works of the Lord,  
whose righteousness endures forever, who has gained renown by wonderful deeds.**

One: The Lord is gracious and merciful.

The Lord provides food for the faithful, ever mindful of the covenant.

**All: The Lord has shown the people works of power  
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

One: The works of God's hand are faithful and just;

**All: all the precepts of the Lord are trustworthy.**

One: They are established forever and ever,

**All: to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

One: The Lord sent redemption to the people;

**All: the Lord has commanded a covenant forever.**

**Holy and awesome is the name of the Lord.**

One: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;

**All: all those who live by it have a good understanding.**

**The praise of the Lord endures forever.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 1:21-28

Mary Vair

ONE: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Message:** **Disturbing Authority**

**Hymn of Praise:** *Breathe on me, breath of God*

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

**Offering Praise:** *Seek ye first*

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Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**Hymn of Praise:** *Lord of all power*

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Commissioning & Benediction

**Choral Amen**

Instrumental Postlude



## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Barry M** who was readmitted to hospital this week and underwent surgery on Tuesday.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Holly W**.
- ◆ 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!

## Donation Receipts

Please visit the mail slots today to pick up your donation receipt for the 2023 calendar year. Elders are asked to please hand deliver any envelopes belonging to members of your district who are unable to attend church. Thank you.

## Mission Moment

**January 28:** In Nepal, Nirba struggled with an undiagnosed skin condition that kept her inside. In addition to her health struggles, Nirba grappled with financial instability. Because she couldn't afford medical assistance, Nirba borrowed money from friends and relatives. Thanks to a clinic set up by the International Nepal Fellowship (a PWS&D partner), Nirba was able to meet with a dermatologist, receive a diagnosis of leprosy and begin treatment. The clinic's support also provided financial aid for Nirba's child's education. Nirba expressed profound gratitude for this assistance as it not only helped her son but her own health situation as well.

*We pray that those who are receiving treatment for leprosy at the Shining Hospital in Nepal know God's healing love.*

## Stewardship Moment

With enough intentionality, our budget can become a sacred song.

*Rev. Tyler Sit – United Methodist Pastor*

## Annual Report Submissions

TODAY is the deadline for submitting committee reports and financial statements to Wendy for the Annual Report. Thanks to all who have already done so!

## A Very Special Birthday Greeting

goes out to **Margaret Holdsworth**, who will celebrate her 98th birthday on Wednesday, January 31! Margaret, enjoy your celebrations and may God continue to bless and keep you in the year to come.

Your Chalmers Church Family

## 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 Tidewater 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

Jeanne Ferguson	January 28
Linda Adamson	January 29
Richard Cote	January 29
Margaret Holdsworth	January 31
Christina Ball	February 2
Bill George	February 2

## 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!!**

CHOIR ANTHEM:

**Christ Came to Live Here Among Us**

arr. Hal Hopson

Refrain:

*Christ came to live here among us,  
He came to live here among us,  
He came to live here among us.  
Hallelujah! Sing evermore.  
Sing hallelujah forever.  
Sing hallelujah forever.  
Sing hallelujah forever.  
Hallelujah! Sing evermore.*

He brought joy to the world.  
He brought joy to all the people  
Let our voices ring; this is why we sing:  
He brought joy to the world.

He brought love to the world.  
He brought love to all the people.  
Let our voices ring; this is why we sing:  
He brought love to the world.

He brought life to the world.  
He brought life to all the people.  
Let our voices ring; this is why we sing:  
He brought life to the world.

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