

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us as we **live stream** worship for the next few weeks. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The live stream 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: JULY 19 – 26

SUNDAY	Worship (Online)	10:00 am
TUESDAY	Care & Share	12:30 pm
	Session Online Meeting	7:00 pm
THURSDAY	Virtual Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
	Property Management Online Meeting	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Worship (Online)	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

The Chalmers Church office is closed until such a time as meeting restrictions are lifted. Rev. John and Wendy Sibley are working from home. Please email chalmerspclondon@gmail.com with any questions or needs. Rev. John can be reached at his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell phone (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, www.chalmerslondon.com. You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

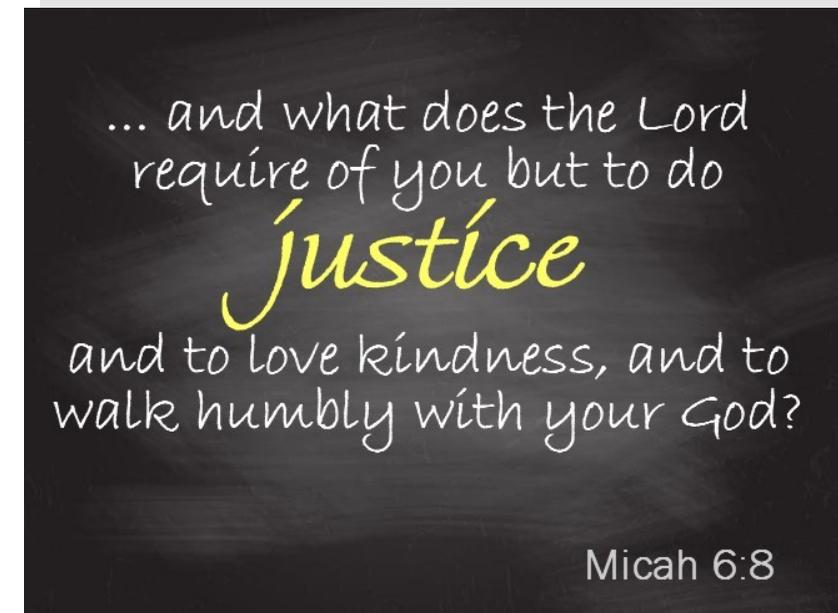
Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

July 19, 2020

7th Sunday after Pentecost

(Online)



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Living Faith 8.4.1 & 2

One: God is always calling the church to seek that justice in the world which reflects the divine righteousness revealed in the Bible.

All: God's justice is seen when we deal fairly with each other and strive to change customs and practices that oppress and enslave others.

Praise: *Praise, my soul, the God who crowns you* (Lyrics on page 3) 467

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Celebrating with the Children

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Psalm 103:1-8

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: and forget not all God's benefits—

One: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases

who redeems your life from the Pit,

All: who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

One: The Lord works justice and vindicates all the oppressed.

God's ways were made known to Moses,

God's acts to the people of Israel.

All: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord will not always accuse, nor harbor anger forever.

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 7:1-7

Luke 4:16-21

One: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: **Doing Justice**

Special Praise: *Christ has broken down the wall* by Mark A. Miller
(see note below—lyrics on page 3) Chalmers Senior Choir

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Prayers of the People and **The Lord's Prayer**

Praise: *O for a world where everyone* (lyrics on page 3) 730

The Blessing / Praise: *May the God of hope go with us every day* 726

Musical Postlude

Choir Anthem

"Christ Has Broken Down the Wall" by Mark A. Miller

Mark Miller's text affirms several great themes from 2 Corinthians 5:

- Stanza 1: Christ has broken down the wall; we are to be united.
- Stanza 2: We're accepted as we are and reconciled through God's love.
- Stanza 3: Reconciled, we will cast aside doubts and fears; freely share peace and love
- Stanza 4: Because Christ has broken down the wall, God calls us to tear down every wall that divides us.

The hymn has special significance in a church that is divided by a number of issues and by walls of separation constructed by a number of factions: old and young, clergy and laity, pro-choice and pro-life, gay and straight, politically conservative and liberal, large church and small church, global divisions, contemporary and traditional and others. The hymn reminds and calls us to break down those walls between us, just as Christ broke down the wall and reconciled us to God.

Source: Mark A. Miller, Biography on Drew University Website

Praise my soul, the God who crowns you

Psalm 103; paraphrase Andrew J. Donaldson

Praise, my soul, the God who crowns you,
crowns with mercy all your days;
bless the God whose good surrounds you,
rescues, heals, forgives, reclaims.

*Hallelujah, hallelujah,
all within me, bless and praise.*

Praise God's mighty works of justice,
for, as far as east from west,
God removes transgression from us
and restores the sore oppressed.

*Hallelujah, hallelujah,
may the Holy One be blest!*

Mortal days are few in number;
soon our place is known no more.
God eternal will remember,
and the faithful will restore.

*Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Children's children will adore.*

Praise the Lord in highest heavens,
mighty ones who do God's will;
angels, cry through all dominions
God is sovereign over all.

Hallelujah, hallelujah,
praise your Maker, O my soul.

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God Has Broken Down the Wall

By Mark A. Miller

Christ has broken down the wall.
Christ has broken down the wall.
Let us join our hearts as one.
Christ has broken down the wall.

We're accepted as we are.
We're accepted as we are.
Through God's love all is reconciled.
We're accepted as we are.

Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Peace and love, freely offered here;
cast aside your doubts and fears.

We will tear down the walls!
We will tear down every wall!
God has called us, one and all.
Christ has broken down the wall.

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever.
Amen

O for a world where everyone

M. Winter, C. Glaser, L. Mason

O for a world where everyone
respects each other's ways,
where love is lived and all is done
with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared
and misery relieved,
where truth is spoken, children spared,
equality achieved.

We welcome one world family
and struggle with each choice
that opens us to unity
and gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich, the weak are strong,
the foolish ones are wise.
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong,
who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for
God's glorious reign of peace,
where time and tears will be no more,
and all but love will cease.

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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,
bringing 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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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ 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 his wife, Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For healing and strength for **Ron Sumner**. Ron has moved from Victoria Hospital to Kensington Village.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ For the Lord to encourage the staff and campers of **Camp Kintail** and all of our church camps across Canada as they deal with the cancellation of summer camp programs and the financial implications of the pandemic.
- ◆ 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 **Linda McPherson, Roy Young, and Ross Cole**.

VACATION NOTICE: Wendy Sibley will be on vacation from July 18—Aug 2. Many thanks to Lizz Thibodeau, who has graciously agreed to fill in for her during those two weeks, working from home.



July 19—Meeting Milestones

In Haiti, more than half of the total population is chronically undernourished, the majority of whom are children. Drastic, unpredictable weather changes caused by climate change have left many families food insecure. Many are not able to produce enough nutritious food for their families to consume. Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) works with local partners to bring nutrition to those who are suffering from malnourishment. Life-saving mobile clinics have been established to detect and treat malnutrition. Since the project began, 3,400 children have been treated, giving them the chance to regain their strength, meet developmental milestones and lead a healthy life.

PWS&D supports healthy futures

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

July 19

We should travel light and live simply. Our enemy is not possessions, but excess.

John Stott (1921 -) Anglican clergyman

Care & Share: Chalmers' 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 Tuesday between 12:30 and 1pm.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Ladies of Ivy Hill—by Julie Klassen

Tales from Ivy Hill #2

As friendships deepen, romances blossom, and mysteries unfold.

Living with the two Miss Groves in Ivy Cottage, impoverished gentlewoman Rachel Ashford is determined to earn her own livelihood . . . somehow. When the village women encourage her to open a subscription library with the many books she has inherited or acquired through donations, Rachel discovers two mysteries hidden among them. A man who once broke her heart helps her search for clues, but will both find more than they bargained for?

Rachel's friend and hostess, Mercy Grove, has given up thoughts of suitors and fills her days managing her girls' school. So when several men take an interest in Ivy Cottage, she assumes pretty Miss Ashford is the cause. Exactly what—or who—has captured each man's attention? The truth may surprise them all.

Meanwhile, life has improved at the coaching inn and Jane Bell is ready to put grief behind her. Now if only the man she misses would return—but where is he?

As the women of Ivy Hill search for answers about the past and hope for the future, might they find love along the way?

Review from Website.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Have you considered signing up for **PAR (PRE AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE)**? It's easy to do, makes consistent offerings simple and can be stopped or adjusted easily. Offering is withdrawn directly from your bank account monthly. Forms are available in the narthex, or speak to Wendy .

COVID-19 UPDATE: Most of the Province of Ontario remains in stage 2 of reopening, with some restrictions lifting, taking precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. At their meeting on June 23, Session decided that online worship will continue for the month of July. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church office is closed. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

ONLINE DONATIONS: Thank you for your continued, faithful support of Chalmers Presbyterian Church during this time of physical distancing. Offerings may be mailed in to the church, or submitted online through the link found on the home page of our website.

CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR: Every Thursday evening at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome! We'll open up at 7:15 to allow extra time for setup. Email suegarner32@gmail.com if you have any questions or need setup help. Or call 226-663-4735.