

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to worship at Chalmers. If you are a guest, visitor or newcomer to Chalmers we reach out to you with hospitality and friendship in Jesus' name. Please take a moment to fill in a guest card—available in the pew holder or from the welcome table. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate, in the box on the welcome table, or given to Rev. John.

There will be a time of refreshments and fellowship in the lower hall following worship. The **striped mugs** at coffee hour are for visitors. Please help our visitors feel welcome.

AT A GLANCE: MARCH 15-22

SUNDAY	Worship & Sunday School	10:00 am
	St. Patty's Kitchen Party	11:30 am
	Parkwood Hospital Worship	2:00 pm
MONDAY	Lent Bible Study	7:00 pm
TUESDAY	Care & Share	12:30 pm
	Seniors' Fitness	1:00 pm
	Session	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Knitting Circle	1:30 pm
	Worship Committee Mtg.	7:00 pm
	Reachout Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	Praise Team Practise	8:00 pm
FRIDAY	Seniors' Satellite Fitness	9:00 am
	Seniors' Euchre	1:00 pm
	Volleball @ Supreme Cts.	7:00 pm
SUNDAY	Worship & Sunday School	10:00 am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:15 am
	Stephen Ministry	7:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon: 9 am - 3 pm, **Tues - Thurs:** 12-3 pm
Fri: 10:30 am - 3:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * Volleyball @ Supreme Courts - Mar 20, 7:00 pm
- * Biblical Storytelling Workshop - Apr 25, 9:30 am

TODAY'S HOSTS:

Doug & Janet Bruce
Dennis Smedley & Keith Spooner
Lorna Wilson & Bill George

NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Maureen Bruff & John Coy
Josiah & Naomi Duffin
Andrea Bruce & Shirley Hall

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Mar 15: No Coffee - St. Patty's Luncheon
Mar 22: Helen Innes & Debbie Scott
Mar 29: Karen Dutton & Heather Reid
April 5: Gaily McHardy Leitch & Don Leitch

COUNTERS:

Mar 15: Bruce & Joanne
Mar 22: Maureen & Heather
Mar 29: Doris & Yvonne
April 5: Todd & Brenda

IN THE BOOTH:

Mar 15: Colin, Torry & Rose Marie
Mar 22: Tom, Sue & Lizz
Mar 29: Tom, Marilyn, Rick
April 5: Tammy, Rick & Lizz

IN THE NURSERY:

Mar 15: Cathy & Jane
Mar 22: Wanda & Dan
Mar 29: TBD
April 5: Dan & Wanda

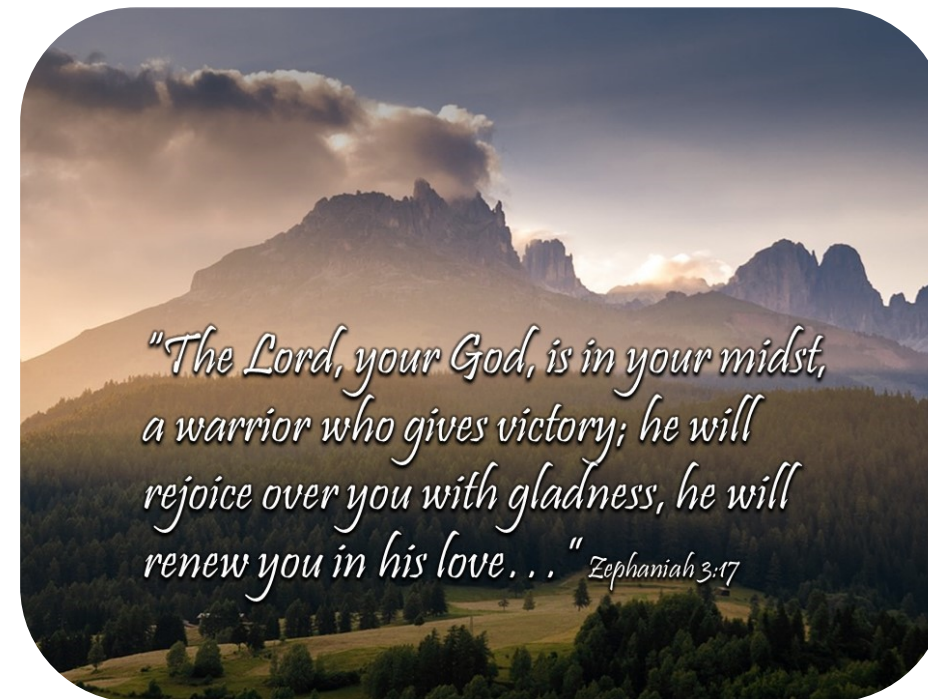
We appreciate our volunteers!

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

March 15, 2020 - 10:00 am

Third Sunday of Lent



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Silent Prayer *A time to be still and know the presence of God*

Call to Worship (See PWS & D Insert)

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Declaration of Pardon

The Peace May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

★ Praise: *Come, let us sing to the Lord our song* 412
(Children and teachers leave for Sunday school)

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture reading: Psalm 95

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

All: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

All: let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!

One: For the Lord is a great God, and a great Sovereign above all gods;

**All: in whose hand are the depths of the earth,
and also the heights of the mountains.**

**The sea belongs to God who made it,
and the dry land, which God's hands have formed.**

One: O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**All: For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture,
and the sheep of God's hand.**

Choir Anthem: *But the Lord is Mindful* by Mendelssohn

Scripture Reading: Exodus 17:1-7 Lorna Wilson
John 4:5-42

One: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: **Questions for Lent: Is the Lord among us or not?**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection: *Holy, holy, holy* (Spanish/English/French) 303

★ Praise: *Mighty to Save*

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts: *We are God's people* 472 (v. 2-3)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

Loving God, we praise you for you are among us, strong to save. And so we offer you our gifts and our very selves, knowing that it is in your service we find true fulfillment. Bless us as we share these gifts of money, so that we may become gifts to those we encounter through the grace of Christ Jesus our Lord...

★ Praise: *Still*
(Children and teachers return from Sunday school)

Celebrating with the Children & **The Lord's Prayer**

★ Praise: *Guide me, O thou great Redeemer* 651

★ Commissioning and Benediction

★ Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

★ *This symbol is used to invite people to stand. All songs and responses will be projected on the screens.*

CHOIR ANTHEM: **But the Lord is Mindful** by Mendelssohn

But the Lord is mindful of His own, He remembers his children.
But the Lord is mindful of His own.

The Lord remembers his children, remembers his children.
Bow down before Him, ye mighty, for the Lord is near us.
Bow down before Him, ye mighty, for the Lord is near us.

Yea, the Lord is mindful of His own, He remembers his children.
Bow down before Him, ye mighty, for the Lord is near.

Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For strength and healing for **Betty Smedley** who is in hospital recovering from surgery. May God surround Dennis and Betty with his strength & peace.
- ◆ For God's comfort and strength for Heather Reid, Nancy Boyle and family with the passing of **Eileen Reid** last Sunday, March 8. May God fill you with his peace in this time of sorrow.
- ◆ 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 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, Maureen Gaskin, Roy Young, and Ross Cole.**

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**ST. PATTY'S KITCHEN PARTY:** TODAY in the lower hall following worship, featuring Irish Stew, Irish Soda Bread, Irish Desserts and music by Bob Finlay and the Ukes of London.

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Our Mission Committee will be leading worship at **MEN'S MISSION** on Sunday, March 22 at 7pm. If you are able to bring sandwiches or participate in the service, please indicate so on the sign up sheet in the narthex.

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**VOLLEYBALL:** Youth and young adults are encouraged to join us once again for recreational volleyball at Supreme Courts (11 Buchanan Ct, London) on Friday, March 20 at 7:00pm. A small donation will be received to defray the cost of the court rental.

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ELDERS: Please check your mail slot in the Elder box in the narthex for documents pertaining to Easter Communion.



March 15: Blessed are the peacemakers

Shaun MacDonald was inspired to be an instrument of God's peace by the prayer of St. Francis. He decided to put that into action by serving as an Ecumenical Accompanier in Hebron, Palestine. From October 2019 to January 2020, Shaun provided a protective presence, monitored human rights violations, and supported local peace and human rights groups as he witnessed life under occupation. Most importantly, he visited Palestinian families and shop keepers to learn their stories so he could share them with Canadians upon his return. The World Council of Churches created the Ecumenical Accompaniment Program in Palestine and Israel in 2002. Since then, over 1,800 accompaniers from 22 countries have participated. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support this important ministry.

Presbyterians Sharing promotes peace in the Middle East

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

March 15

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"We need to help younger people recognize their own capacity to do good and help them discover the rewards of generosity."

*Bill Clinton, 42nd President of the USA*

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SAVE THE DATE: CE and Faith Development are offering a Biblical Storytelling Workshop on **Saturday, April 25 from 9:30-noon.** Guest Presenter: Rev. Susan Wilson of St. Matthews on the Plains Anglican Church, Burlington. Susan, member of the Network of Biblical Storytellers of Canada. Come learn how to commit Bible stories to heart and bring them to life. No cost. Please sign up in the narthex.

LIBRARY NEWS

Breach of Trust - by Rachel Dylan Atlanta Justice, Book 3

When corporate litigator Mia Shaw's colleague is brutally murdered, she vows to make the killer pay. The accused is a friend of Noah Ramirez, who feels that something doesn't add up. Mia and Noah are on opposite sides of this case – she is sure that David McDonald is guilty, but Noah knows David and is sure that he did not commit this murder. Can he convince her that the killer is still on the loose-- and protect her from growing threats? Another exciting, can't lay it down, book.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

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**LENT BIBLE STUDY:** Continues this week, "10 Key Passages from the Bible" by Julie B. Sevig. Please join us **Mondays March 16, 23, 30 and April 6, from 7-8:30 pm.** We will be exploring Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Exodus 20:1-17, Ephesians 2:8-10, Micah 6:8, Hebrews 11:1-3, Psalm 23, John 3:16, Romans 8:31-39, and Revelation 1:8.

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If you need a replacement **NAME TAG**, or if you do not have a name tag, please sign your name on the list on the name tag table and we will make sure you have one.

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**LONDON PRAYER BREAKFAST: Wednesday, March 18** at RBC Place (London Convention Centre, 300 York Street) from **7am - 9am** sharp. Tickets are \$35.00/person, and are available through the CCNL website.

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THANK YOU: My heartfelt thanks for your prayers and support as I recovered from my recent knee surgery. What a blessing to be part of a church family who genuinely care for one another! ~Marg Ward

NEW PROFESSING MEMBERS: We look forward to welcoming new professing members during the spring. Please speak with Rev. John or with your elder if you would like to know more about becoming a professing member of the church.

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**EASTER BRUNCH** at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre in Puslinch. **Sunday April 12** at 11:30am and 12:45pm. \$25 per person, \$10 children. Quiche royale, buttermilk pancakes and rosemary apricot stuffed lamb are just a few of the items on the menu! See our website for full details under dining [www.crieffhills.com](http://www.crieffhills.com).

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LENTEN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE: The Mission Committee, on behalf of Refuge Ministries Canada, are inviting you during Lent to provide release kits containing **toothbrush & toothpaste, deodorant, soap, a comb, a pen and notepad** for individuals being release from prison. Bags are available in the narthex with a shopping list. Please return kits to the designated box in the narthex by Palm Sunday, April 5.

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**CHALMERS GOLF SHIRTS:** Chalmers golf shirts will be for available for sale during the month of March, with delivery by the end of April. Men's and Ladies' styles - lots of colours and sizes. Cost: \$35 each with proceeds going to Chalmers' Ministries. Pop down to the lower hall following worship Sunday to view sample shirts and place your order. More order forms are available on the table n the narthex.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY: If you would like a copy of the church directory, please email the office chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca and Wendy will provide one for you.