

WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

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

Call to Worship PWS&D Insert

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

★ Praise: Hosanna, loud hosanna 218
(Children & Teachers leave for Sunday School)

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of Confession and Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say,

All: "God's steadfast love endures forever."

One: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

**All: This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

One: I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

**All: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

One: This is the Lord's doing;

All: it is marvelous in our eyes.

One: This is the day that the lord has made;

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

All: O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, who has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

One: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

All: you are my God, I will extol you.

**O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Choir Anthem: Gospel Hosanna! by Jack Schrader

Scripture Readings: Philippians 2:5-11

John 12:12-16

Kim Poser

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

★ Praise: Blessed be your name

Sermon: **Hosanna!**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

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Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts When I survey the wondrous cross 231 (1&4)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

★ Praise: Hosanna & How Great is our God
(Children & Teachers return from Sunday School)

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

★ Praise: My song is love unknown 220

★ 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.*



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.

Please note that some fellow worshippers are sensitive to perfumes. We ask that you consider keeping Chalmers scent free. Thank you.

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

AT A GLANCE: Mar 25 – April 1

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| SUNDAY | Worship – 10am Library Open – 11:15am Coffee Fellowship - 11:15am Junior Choir - 11:30am Stephen Ministry - 6pm Labyrinth Prayer Walk - 7pm |
| MONDAY | Ukes of London - 7pm Holy Week Prayers - 7pm Bible Study - 7:30pm |
| TUESDAY | Seniors' Fitness - 1pm Care & Share - 1pm Holy Week Prayers - 7pm |
| WEDNESDAY | Knitting Circle - 1:30pm Holy Week Prayers - 7pm Reachout - 7:30pm |
| THURSDAY | Maundy Thursday Worship - 7pm Choir Rehearsal - 7:45pm |
| FRIDAY | Good Friday Breakfast - 9am Good Friday Worship - 11am Praise Team Rehearsal - 12pm |
| SUNDAY | Sunrise Service in Belmont - 7am Easter Worship - 10am Library Open – 11:15am |

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday: 9-12
Friday: Closed (Good Friday)

UPCOMING DATES:

April 6: Movie Night
April 15: Tasteful Topics

TODAY'S HOSTS:

Jo-Ann & Ainsley Marshall
Abbey Poser & Torry Thibodeau
Winter Hales & Wanda MacKay

NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Barb Jessop & Host Needed
Dan & Loretta Duffin
Charles & Kathy McCartney

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Mar 25: Debbie Scott & Karen Dutton
April 1: Easter!
April 8: Sherri & Kevin Hartman
April 15: Tasteful Topics

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

Mar 25: Leslee Johnston & Kirstyn
April 1: Susan Stevenson & Jackie N.
April 8: Cathy Spooner & Joycie
April 15: Heather deHoog & Torry

OFFERING COUNTERS:

Mar 25: Doris & Yvonne
April 1: Brenda & Todd
April 8: Maureen & Heather
April 15: Brian & Pat

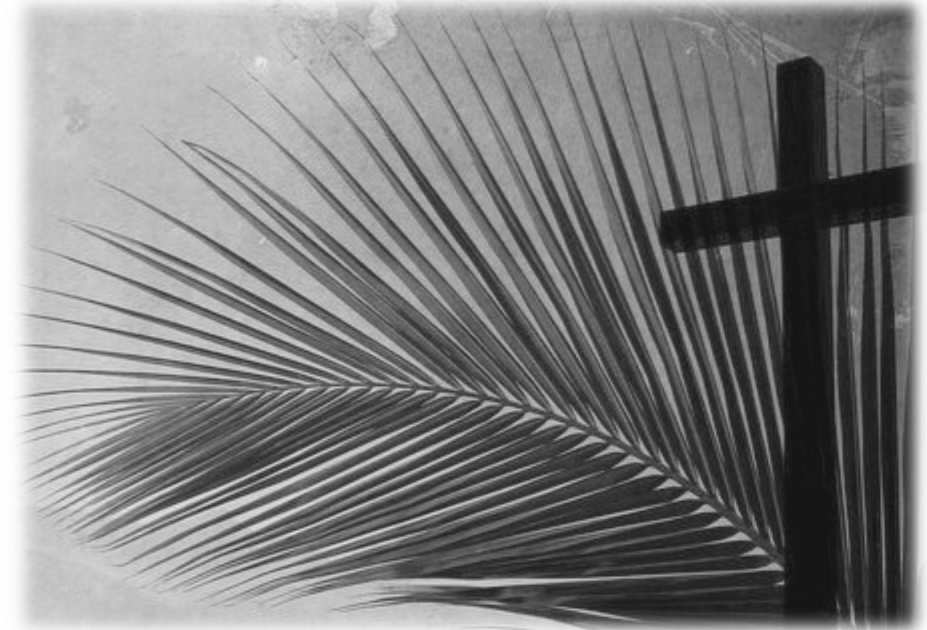


Chalmers Presbyterian Church

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Palm/Passion Sunday

March 25th, 2018—10:00 am



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Lizz Thibodeau
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For Wendy Lefler who had surgery recently, and for her husband George.
- ◆ For God's peace for Martin McHardy as he receives care at the St. Thomas Elgin Hospital.
- ◆ For God's blessing for Shirley Bakelaar, Ross Cole, Doris Doskas, Maureen Gaskin, Linda McPherson, Margaret Middaugh, Eileen Reid and Daisy Herbert.

Chalmers' Stephen Ministry Group is hosting "PRAYING THE LABYRINTH", tonight at 7pm. Come for a time of meditation and prayer while walking the path of the labyrinth.

GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST - Friday March 30th 9am - 10:30am - \$5 per person/ \$15 per family. Come enjoy a full breakfast feast! (eggs, sausage, toast, pancakes, juice, tea/coffee) Please sign up on the sheets in the narthex. Everyone Welcome! We would welcome helpers with clearing tables and washing dishes too. Sign up sheet for helpers in narthex.

St. James Presbyterian Church has invited us to share in their **EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE** at 7am in the Belmont Park on April 1st. This is a wonderful way to begin Easter celebrations. Vehicles will be leaving Chalmers' parking lot at 6:30am sharp. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would like to take part and need transportation.

BLOOD DONORS are urgently needed in London. When you donate, mention that you're a 'Partner for Life from Chalmers' and give our ID# CHAL673812. To the young and healthy, it's no loss. To the sick it's hope. Donate blood to bring hope to life's journey for others.

Our next **TASTEFUL TOPICS** will be April 15th, following worship. Our speaker will be Ericka Ayala Ronson from Mission Services of London

MOVIE NIGHT, on April 6th at 7pm, will be showing The Way starring Martin Sheen. Come and bring a friend! No charge.



March 25: Equipping congregations through webinars

Are you interested in learning about digital giving? Church renewal? Sharing your congregation's story in inspiring ways? Moving forward with your church's vision? The PCC's webinars provide online learning opportunities that equip congregations on topics relating to leadership, renewal and stewardship. Each webinar is free, made possible by gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*. It's easy to register and participate. Each webinar is recorded and posted online for viewing at any time. To find out about upcoming webinars, visit presbyterian.ca/webinar-Wednesday. *Presbyterians Sharing funds learning opportunities*

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude. *Mary Jo Leddy (1946), Radical Gratitude*

The **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA** says Thank you for your gifts in 2017!

"I am truly blessed to see your generosity in action," says the Rev. Ian Ross-McDonald, General Secretary of the Life & Mission Agency. "Presbyterian congregations and individuals sharing and working together have extended the reign of God in Canada and around the world in remarkable and compelling ways this year. Exciting stories of faith, transformation, reconciliation, liberation and changed lives - and so much more - are the results of our shared gifts. Your commitment to Christ's continued mission and ministry through the church is vital to the work that we are doing together."

There will be a **STEPHEN MINISTRY INFORMATION SESSION** on Sunday April 8th for those who may be considering serving as a Stephen Minister at Chalmers. The information session will be from 11:30am to 12:15pm and a light lunch will be served.

LIBRARY NEWS

Parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles you get the message, huh? Check out our children's reading for Easter. What a beautiful and gentle way to introduce your young ones to the story of Easter. Take time at night to read and pray as they too start to wonder and question what it is all about. **Mary's Easter Story** – Eric C. Bohnet
The Legend of the Three Trees – by Tommy Nelson
The Easter Story – by Patricia A. Pingry
The Story of Easter – by Patricia A. Pingry
The Best thing about Easter – by Christine Harder Tangvald
 Check out these books on the children's reading table in the narthex. Christine Hunter, Librarian



Compass Community Church is offering a **FREE TAX CLINIC** for individuals and families with no or modest income: students, pensioners, single parents, newcomers to Canada. Starting March 8th, every Wednesday noon - 9pm and Thursday 9am - noon through March & April 2018.

Rev. Heather Paton will soon be returning from her maternity leave to London Presbytery. She is looking for **TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION** for the summer until her husband's contract in Kingston is finished. Does anyone need a house sitter or have an unused "granny flat" for May-August or even part of that time? One bedroom would be sufficient and they don't have any pets. If you are able to help, please speak to Rev. John.

Chalmers' Session has agreed to allow **GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL CHURCH**, a small congregation of about 10 people, to use our lower classroom for worship on Sunday mornings, beginning April 8th. Please make our brothers & sisters in Christ feel welcome.

The **SPECIAL EASTER & LOOSE OFFERING** will be designated to the London Presbytery Refugee Committee. If you would like to donate flowers for Easter, please drop them off at the church by Good Friday.

RAISE THE ROOF FUNDRAISING UPDATE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS ...

Sunday, April 22 – Italian Lunch – The menu will consist of salad, penne pasta with various sauces, breads/rolls, dessert and tea & coffee. Tickets are \$15.00/adults and \$5.00/children age 13 and under. They can be purchased in the lower hall following the service. NOTE: We will accommodate special dietary restrictions (i.e. gluten free, vegetarian)
Sat., May 26 – Pie, Plant and Yard Sale
 Continue to watch the bulletin for more information on these events.

Did you know - the weekly offering envelope has a line item "**Please consider an additional gift to the Roof Fund**".

RTR FINANCIALS

\$93,980 – Funds as of March 12
 512 – Funds received March 18
 \$94,492 – TOTAL funds received to date

Financial Report – As of February 28, 2018 INCOME:

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| Offerings | \$32,862.05 |
| Rent & Other Income | 913.92 |
| Total Income | \$33,775.97 |

EXPENSES:

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| Committee Expense | \$ 515.60 |
| Church Building | 10,666.93 |
| Manse | 100.00 |
| Office & General | 2,016.72 |
| Salaries | 26,710.47 |
| Presbyterians Sharing | 3,859.34 |
| Presbytery Assessment | 1,046.50 |
| Total Expenses | \$44,915.56 |

DEFICIT (\$11,139.59)

PAN MISSION Loraine Warnock is co-leading a Medical Mission trip this fall (end of November) to Nicaragua & El Salvador through PAN Mission. We are looking for medical and non-medical people interested in participating. Please phone me at 519-243-0530 or email me at dragonboatmama@hotmail.com to learn more!