

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Welcome to worship. Our services are in-person and livestreamed through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The video link is found on the home page. We encourage you to let us know you have joined us online by filling in the short response form. Today we welcome **Rev. Michael Stol** to lead worship. Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall following worship.

This Week at a Glance: MARCH 12-19

SUNDAY	In-Person and Livestream Worship Church School Stephen Ministry	10:00 am 10:15 am 7:00 pm
MONDAY	Ukes of London	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Lent Study - Link on Chalmers' website Reachout Choir Rehearsal	12:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Senior Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Fitness Programming	9:00 am
SATURDAY	Search Committee	8:00 am
SUNDAY	In-Person and Livestream Worship Church School	10:00 am 10:15 am

Office Hours:

The Church Office is open Tuesday to Friday, 8:30 am–2:30 pm. Please contact the church office with any needs or concerns (519) 681-7242 or by email at chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca. Contact **Rev. Mavis Currie**, Chalmers' Interim Moderator, for emergency Pastoral Care at her church office, (519) 631-2414, on her cell (519) 860-1380 or by email, m.currie@knoxstthomas.ca.

Volunteers: THIS SUNDAY NEXT SUNDAY

HOSTS	Brian MacKay Pat MacKay Wanda MacKay	Bev Cameron Chris Hardy Ann Hunter
AUDIO VISUALS	Torry Thibodeau Isla Thibodeau Lizz Thibodeau	Tammy McDonald Richard Cote Marilyn McFadden
Fellowship	Ann Hunter & Elaine McInnis	Soup'er Stew Sunday

Thank you, Volunteers!

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

March 12, 2023

Third Sunday in Lent

In-person and Live-stream Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Interim Moderator

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. Mavis Currie

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

One: We have gathered from our different places to worship together.

All: How good it is to worship together in unity!

One: We come from our different occupations, our diverse activities.

All: How good it is to worship together in unity!

One: We come as unique individuals, bound together in the love of Christ.

All: How good it is to worship together in unity!

Praise: *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven* 407 (vv. 1,2 & 4)

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace: One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the Children *(Children in SK to Grace 8 leave for Church School)*

Praise: *Amigos de Cristo / Friends of the Lord* 476

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture reading: Psalm 133

One: How very good and pleasant it is
when kindred live together in unity!

**All: It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down upon the beard,
upon the beard of Aaron,
running down over the collar of his robes.**

One: It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion.

All: For there the Lord has ordained the blessing of life forevermore.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 45:1-15

Heather Reid

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Choir Anthem: *Peace Be in You* by Allen Pote

Message: **A Little Closer**

Praise: *We come to ask your forgiveness* 201

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission Doug Bruce

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *God forgave my sin / Freely, freely* 774

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

Praise: *Forgive our sins as we forgive* 751

(Children return from Church School during the hymn)

Benediction

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

Choir Anthem *Peace Be in You* by Allen Pote

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
for to this peace God has called you in one body.
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,
as you teach one another in wisdom.
Sing songs, sing Alleluia. Sing psalms and hymns unto God.
And whatever you say, whatever you do,
do so in the name of Lord Jesus.
Forgive one another as Christ has forgiven you,
for love will bind us together in the name of Lord Jesus.
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Please Pray

- ◆ For God's comfort and peace for **John Elliot**, who is now in palliative care. May God grant peace and strength to Kim & Mike Poser, Karen Dutton and Dennis Shackelton, Brenda & Todd Webster and their families at this difficult time.
- ◆ For God's comfort for Joan Patterson & family with the passing of **Jim Patterson**, on Wednesday, March 1.
- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Ainsley Marshall** who is recovering at home.
- ◆ For strength for **Bob and Mary Taylor**, and healing for Mary, as she deals with constant pain.
- ◆ For strength and comfort for **Joyce Yull**.
- ◆ For God's healing and strength for **Shirley Hall** as she deals with some health challenges.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Linda Bone, Leny Jongepier, Helen LeTissier, Jackie Harrett, Beverly Ertl, Laura McInnis, Sam Nimako** and **Betty Smedley**.
- ◆ For God's wisdom and guidance for Chalmers' **Pastoral Search Committee** as they prepare to interview potential candidates. May the Lord bless Rev. Mavis as she guides the Committee in this important process.

Soup'er Stew Sunday Lunch

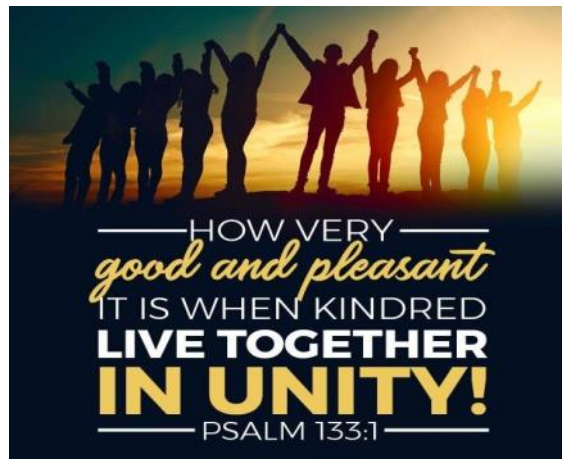
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Speaking of Stewardship

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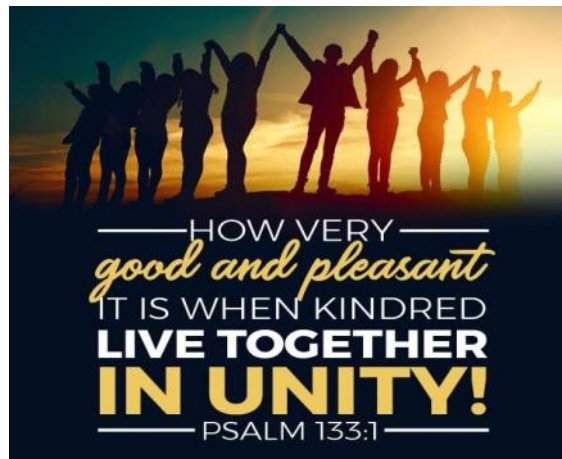
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