

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We will be live-streaming the service this week. This can be viewed 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.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: MARCH 13—20

SUNDAY	Livestream and In Person Worship	10:00 am
MONDAY		
TUESDAY	Session Meeting Online	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup	12:30 pm
	Knitting Circle	1:30 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting	7:00 pm
THURSDAY	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
SUNDAY	Livestream and In Person Worship	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

Our regular church hours are Mon-Thurs, 9:30-4:30pm. Rev. John can be reached by email jbannerman@bellnet.ca or on his cell, 226-919-9180.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

	This Week	Next Week
HOSTS	Yvonne Daniel John & Lillian Cree Rita McWilliam	Karen Dutton Anita Powell Fran Peach Rita McWilliam
A/V	Tammy McDonald Marilyn McFadden	Torry Thibodeau Isla Thibodeau
Webex	Richard Cote	Lizz Thibodeau

Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

March 13, 2022

Second Sunday in Lent



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Denise McLay
Brad Dobbie
Rev. John Bannerman

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship PWS&D Liturgy for Lent 2

Praise: *Arise, your light is come* 712

Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Pardon

The Peace One: May the peace of Christ be with you

All: And also with you.

Celebrating with the children Video - Lead me, Jesus; I will follow Reuben St. Louis

Praise: *Lead me, Jesus; I will follow (2x)* 646

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 112

One: Praise the Lord! Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in God's commandments.

All: Their descendants will be mighty in the land, the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever. They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

One: It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice. For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

All: They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord. Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

One: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

All: The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

Scripture Readings: Luke 4: 16-21

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise: O God, you call for justice

(versus 1-3)

Sermon: *Good News to the Poor*

Choir Anthem: *Let Me Be a Light in the Darkness*

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We give Thee but thine own* 661

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

Praise: *Christ for the world we sing* 772

Blessing

Musical Postlude

**** Hymn lyrics are on page 3 ****

CHOIR ANTHEM

Let Me Be A Light in the Darkness

Beall, Carter

Let me be a light in the darkness to help you find your way;
Let me be a light in the darkness to turn your night to day.
Let me dry your tears when you're crying,
Let me calm your fears when you're sighing;
Let me be a light in the darkness for you.

Let me be a friend when you're lonely...when God seems far away;
Let me be a friend when you're lonely to brighten up your day.
Come and take my hand, let me lead you.
Let God's Word of Life heal and feed you;
Let me be a light in the darkness for you.

Let me give you hope for tomorrow; you're part of God's great plan.
Let me give you hope for tomorrow; your life is in God's hands.
God is on your side...never doubt it!
Won't you let me tell you about it!
Let me be a light... I want to be a light...
Let me be a light in the darkness for you.

Arise, your light is come

Ruth Duck, William H. Walter

Arise, your light is come!
The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God
which shines you your today.

Arise, your light is come!
Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty,
good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come!
All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokehearted ones
and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing;
God's power will make us strong.

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Lead me, Jesus; I will follow

Ted Green

Lead me, Jesus; I will follow,
down the dusty pathways,
all along the sea.
Teach me, Jesus, to be loving:
your disciple I will be.

O God, you call for justice

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

O God, you call for justice —
for goodness, never greed!
You seek a world of fairness
where all have what they need —
Where all have food and water
and homes in which to thrive,
Where all have hope and laughter
and joy to be alive!

O God, you call for kindness
instead of keeping score;
You seek a world that welcomes
the hungry and the poor.
Lord, where there is injustice
may we work to protect
The struggling ones, the voiceless
that others would reject.

You call us to walk humbly,
for we are not our own;
We all are poor and needy;
we need the grace you've shown.
May we respond to others
reflecting what you give —
Compassion, kindness, justice —
so all may gladly live.

Tune: AURELIA 7.6.7.6 D ("The Church's One
Foundation")
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We give thee but thine own

Words: William Walsham How
Music: Konig's harmonischer Liederschatz
Arr.: William Henry Havergal

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus
as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us,
to thee our first-fruits give.

To comfort and to bless,
to find a balm for woe,
to tend the lonely in distress
is angels' work below.

The captive to release,
to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace,
it is a Christ-like thing,

And we believe thy word,
though dim our faith may be:
whate'er for thine we do, O Lord,
we do it unto thee.

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Christ for the world we sing

Samuel Wolcott

'Christ for the world' we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal,
the poor and all that mourn,
the faint and over borne,
sinsick and sorrowworn,
for Christ to heal.

'Christ for the world' we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with fervent prayer,
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost
from dark despair.

'Christ for the world' we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with one accord,
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear
for Christ our Lord.

'Christ for the world' we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with joyful song;
the newborn souls whose days,
reclaimed to live always,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.

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Please Pray

- ◆ We thank God that **Janet Bruce** had successful surgery. May God's healing hand be upon Janet as she recovers during these next few weeks.
- ◆ For God's peace and comfort for **Leny Jongepier** and her family as they grieve for the passing of her husband, **John**.
- ◆ For healing and pain control for **Vic Laursen** who is now receiving care in the complex care rehab program at St. Thomas Hospital.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Ken Hall, Betty Smedley, Linda McPherson,** and **Ross Cole**.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.

Praying for Ukraine

God of the Powers, and Maker of all creation; God of justice, and Lover and Maker of peace, we are distressed by the violence and the threats of violence and destruction in the world, and especially by acts of war and brutality that people experience in Ukraine.

In solidarity with them, we pray for those who are suffering and in danger, who live in fear and anxiety, who fear what tomorrow will bring, who are anxious for their lives and the lives of those they love and care for, and who mourn the dead. We pray that those with power over war will lay down weapons, and that those who have power to accomplish peace will have wisdom and compassion.

God of Grace, the Giver of Life, send your Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, who is everywhere present and fills all things, to sustain the hope of all those who seek justice and peace and to inspire the leaders of nations to do what is right. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen.



In Afghanistan, Fatima had always dreamed of attending school. However, most schools were far from her home and, as a girl, it was unsafe for her to travel to them. At the age of 10, Fatima's dreams finally came true. She learned about a school near her village and persuaded her father to enroll her. "After completing my studies, I will become a teacher and become a role model for other girls and women in our village," Fatima shared. Though the current political situation in Afghanistan has left many children uncertain about their futures, Fatima prays that she will be able to continue her education beyond primary school. This education project is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development.

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

The measure of a life is not its duration, but its donation. - Peter Marshall

Chalmers
Upcoming Birthdays

Beverley Ertl	March 19
Marg Ward	March 22
Laurie Spence Bannerman	March 22
Kenneth McDonald	March 22
Jim Gill	March 25
Shirley Anderson	March 27
Audrey Baldwin	March 29

Chalmers is open for in person worship!

The following protocols are in place:

- 1) There will be no Proof of Vaccination required.
- 2) Preregistration for services will be needed (closed Thursday at noon).
- 3) Contact tracing will be done.
- 4) Screening upon entering the building.
- 5) Masks will be worn at all times in the building.
- 6) Physical distancing of 2m will be maintained in the building at all times.
- 7) Singing, congregational and choir, with masks on and separated by a minimum of 2m, and soloists behind the screen without masks.

Ministry and community groups may meet following the above protocols.

Year-To-Date Financial Snapshot

Reporting Date – February 28, 2022

Actual Income \$ 37,166

Actual Expenses \$ 47,768

Year-to-date deficit of \$ 10,602 due to high season utilities of \$ 5,336 as well as organ repairs of \$4,892 and furnace repairs of \$ 2,882. Other expense items were within (proposed) budget guidelines. Income of \$ 37,166 comparable to same period 2021 of \$ 38,190.

Respectfully,

Mark Ranson – Convenor Policy & Planning

LIBRARY NEWS

Network of Deceit by Tom Threadgill This is a complex, but very interesting story about the death of a teenager at a local pleasure park. Amara Alvarez is the detective in charge or solving this case, but finds herself stalked online by cybercriminals. Now I am no computer expert, but I really enjoyed this story, even if I didn't always understand exactly what was going on.

An exciting, interesting mystery story.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Volunteers are Needed!

1) **Hosting** -We are looking for more volunteers to host on Sunday mornings. A short training will take place to go over the procedures and protocols.

2) **The Worship Committee** meets once a month to support our Minister and Music Director, and to provide leadership and oversight for the Worship life at Chalmers. We are searching for a new member to participate in this ministry

3) **The Audio/Visual (A/V) Team** provides audio and visual services required for in- person and live streaming, during our Sunday worship services. The A/V team is looking for volunteers to be part of this important ministry. Training will be provided.

If you are interested, please contact the church office at 519-681-7242, or email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca and we'll direct you to the right committee.



MISSION TEAM UPDATE

The mission team is pleased to report the 10% of the 2021 operating surplus (\$626) was allocated fully to Camp Kintail for support of their campership programs.

Mark Ranson, Interim Convenor
Mission Committee