

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Welcome to worship. Our services are in-person and livestreamed through our website at [chalmerslondon.com](http://chalmerslondon.com). The video link is found on the home page. Today we welcome **Rev. Michael Stol** to lead worship. Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall following worship. We thank **Kim Poser** for stepping in as instrumentalist for the service this morning.

### This Week at a Glance: MARCH 26-APRIL 2

<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person and Livestream Worship Church School Stephen Ministry	10:00 am 10:15 am 7:00 pm
<b>MONDAY</b>	Ukes of London	7:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Lent Study - Link on Chalmers' website Reachout Choir Rehearsal	12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Senior Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Senior Satellite Fitness Programming	9:00 am
<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person and Livestream Worship - Palm Sunday	10:00 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](mailto: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](mailto:m.currie@knoxstthomas.ca).

### Volunteers: THIS SUNDAY

### NEXT SUNDAY

<b>HOSTS</b>	Joyce Kilbourne Elaine McInnis Christine Hunter	Todd Webster Brenda Webster Marg Ward
<b>AUDIO VISUALS</b>	Andrea Bruce Jack Hardy Rose Marie Finlay	Tammy McDonald Josiah Duffin Marilyn McFadden
<b>Fellowship</b>	Muriel Bertling & Carolyn Walker	Heather Reid & Nancy Suchard

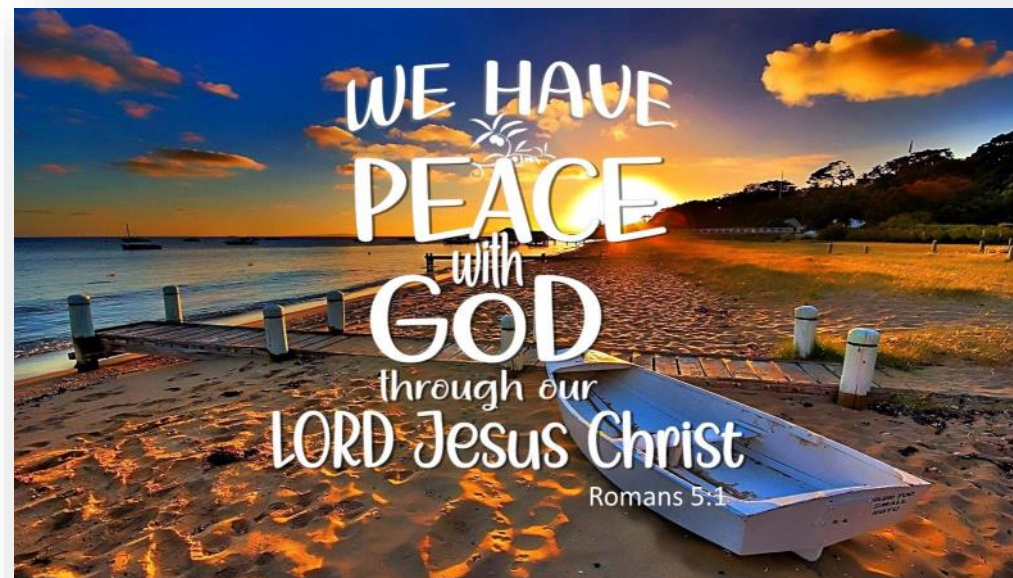
**Thank you, Volunteers!**

## Chalmers Presbyterian Church Worship Celebration

March 26, 2023

*Fifth 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  
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**Rev. Mavis Currie**

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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Kim Poser

Call to Worship

One: O come, let us sing to our God and make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

**All: We lift our hearts and voices in joy and thanksgiving for being here together in the presence of our beloved God.**

One: Come, let us worship this amazing God, for we belong to God.

**All: We will listen for God's word and live in the hope it inspires.**

**Praise:** *Amazing grace* 670 (vv. 1-4)

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 Grade 8 leave for Church School)*

**Praise:** *You are My All in All*

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19

One: I love the Lord, who has heard my voice and my supplications.

**All: Because God inclined an ear to me, therefore I will call on the Lord as long as I live.**

One: What shall I return to the Lord for all God's bounty to me?

**All: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.**

One: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of the faithful.

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your hand maid.  
You have loosed my bonds.

**All: I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!**

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Yvonne Daniel

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Choir Anthem: *Gentle Voice* by Susan Naus Dengler, Lee Dengler, Lizz Thibodeau on violin

Message: **The Weight**

**Praise:** *I know not why such wondrous grace* 683

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission Bill George

Offering of our Gifts

**Offering Praise:** *We give Thee but Thine own* 661 (vv. 1-3)

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

**Praise:** *To God be the glory* 350

*(Children return from Church School during the hymn)*

Benediction

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

Kim Poser

### Choir Anthem "Gentle Voice" by Susan Naus Dengler, Lee Dengler

Far above the noise of life, there's a voice that is gently calling.  
"Leave behind your cares and strife. Come to me, I will give you rest.  
Bring your fear, and bring your pain. Bring your anger, and bring your worry."  
Do you hear the voice of Jesus gently calling, "Come unto me."  
Gentle voice, so meek and mild, gentle words of understanding.  
"You are my beloved child. Come to me, I will give you rest.  
Bring your grief, and bring your cares. Bring you heartaches, and bring your sorrow."  
Do you hear the voice of Jesus Gently calling, "Come unto me"?  
Gentle voice so full of love, Gentle words so rich in mercy.  
"You are my beloved child. Come to me. I will give you rest."

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## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's comfort and peace **Kim & Mike Poser, Karen Dutton and Dennis Shackelton, Brenda & Todd Webster** with the passing of John Elliot on Tuesday, March 14.
- ◆ For **Betty C.**, who was taken to hospital last week with breathing issues, and diagnosed with cancer. Please pray for peace and comfort for Betty and strength for **Don** as he cares for her.
- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Ainsley M.** Pray he receives good news from the cardiologist this week.
- ◆ For strength for **Bob and Mary T.**, and healing for Mary, as she deals with constant pain.
- ◆ Pray for **Peter L.** as struggles with heart related health challenges.
- ◆ For God's comfort for **Joyce Y.**
- ◆ For God's continued healing and strength for **Shirley H.**
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Linda B., Leny J., Helen L., Jackie H., Beverly E., Laura M., Sam N.** and **Betty S.**
- ◆ For God's wisdom and guidance for the **Pastoral Search Committee** and a blessing for Rev. Mavis Currie as she guides the process.



**March 26: In Haiti, Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) is supporting farmers and their families.** As a farmer, 62-year-old Emmanuel Joseph has experienced changes to his land for decades. When Emmanuel joined a farmer's collective supported by PWS&D in 2013, he began learning conservation agriculture practices like composting and crop rotation. Now, Emmanuel's garden produces more and better food year-round, and his wife is able to bring produce to the market to sell. Projects focusing on food security benefit farmers and their loved ones by providing education and resources to help achieve better food security and address the impacts of climate change—both now and in the future.

### Speaking of Stewardship

*"As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way."*  
Mary Anne Radmacher – writer, artist



### Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

<b>Shirley Andersen</b>	March 27
<b>Audrey Baldwin</b>	March 29
<b>Wanda MacKay</b>	April 6
<b>Betty Smedley</b>	April 8

### From the Library...

**Mitford Series** – Jan Karon

#1 – At Home in Mitford

I don't know if you have walked with Father Tim through his beloved town of Mitford. Do you know about his dog Barnabas who is bigger than a truck and only controlled by quoting scriptures at him.

I really enjoy reading this series and following Father Tim, Episcopal Priest through his life with his many church members and friends, each with their own peculiarities.

Just let me quote a little bit from page 625 of this first book in the series:

*"How could he (Father Tim) have considered taking Monday off? Monday was the diving board poised over the rest of the week. One walked out on the board, reviewed the situation, planned one's strategy, bounced a few times to get the feel of things, and then made a clean dive. Without Monday one simply bombed into the water, belly first and hoped for the best."*

Give it a try – I'm sure you will enjoy these stories as much as I do.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

**The Souper Stew lunch** was a huge success. With approximately 55 people in attendance, many commented on how wonderful it was to gather together again and enjoy a meal. **We raised approximately \$456.** More fundraising events are planned throughout the year. Please watch the bulletin for updates and information.

### Update from the Search Committee

Much work has been carried out by the Search Committee over the last five months! We reviewed a number of applicants and interviewed four individuals last Saturday. On Tuesday, one name was brought forward to the Session to preach for the call to be minister at Chalmers! We will have more information in the coming weeks about the candidate and the next step in the process! Stay Tuned! Members of the Committee are: Linda Adamson, Andrea Bruce, Yvonne Daniel, Bob Finlay, Bill George, Chris Hardy, Marilyn McFadden, Brian McKay, Torry Thibodeau and Brenda Webster, Maureen Bruff, Convenor.

### Lenten Study: "A Time to Grow"

There is still opportunity to join in our multi-church Lent study on Zoom! This hour-long, online session will take place every Wednesday evening in Lent from 7-8pm. The Zoom link and details are available on our website, or through the church office. All are welcome! This week's study: "Bible: A Book Like No Other" with Lauren Winner

### A Lenten Opportunity to Give

Thank you for your generosity toward this **Refuge Ministries Canada** Lenten campaign to provide release kits for individuals being released from prison. A reminder that any remaining release kits should be brought to the church by next **Sunday, April 2.**