

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **online** worship this Sunday. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The live stream video link is found on the home page. We encourage you to let us know you have joined us by filling in the short response form.

*Our thanks to **Dr. Roland De Vries**, the new Principal of The Presbyterian College in Montreal for bringing the message this morning.*

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE:

NOVEMBER 15—23

SUNDAY	Online Worship	10:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Online Supervision	7:00 pm
MONDAY	Online Bible Study	7:00 pm
TUESDAY	Care & Share	9:30 am
	Session Online Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Virtual Sunday School	7:00 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting	8:00 pm
THURSDAY	Virtual Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Online Worship	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

The church and church office remain closed to visitors until such a time as meeting restrictions are lifted. Wendy is in the office **Monday 12-3 pm, and Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 9am—12 pm**. Phones and email are being monitored. Please email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca with any questions or needs. Rev. John can be reached at his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell phone (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, www.chalmerslondon.com. You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

November 15, 2020

24th Sunday After Pentecost

(Online Worship)



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Living Faith 1:1

One: There is one true God whom to know is life eternal,

All: Whom to serve is joy and peace.

Praise: *There is a redeemer* (Lyrics on page 3)

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Prayers of Adoration and Confession

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Exodus 3:1-12

Psalm 46

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**All: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

One: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

**All: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.**

One: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
God's voice resounds, the earth melts.

All: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

One: Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations God has brought on the earth.

**All: The Lord makes wars to cease to the end of the earth;
breaks the bow, shatters the spear; burns the shields with fire.**

One: "Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth."

All: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-5

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: **Encountering God**

Special Praise: Psalm 121 by The Psalm Project
(Lyrics on page 3)

Chalmers Praise Team

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We are God's people*

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Offering Prayer

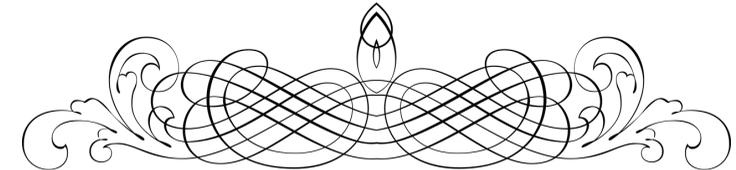
Prayers of the People and **The Lord's Prayer**

Praise: *When the poor ones* (Lyrics on page 3)

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The Blessing

Musical Postlude



There is a redeemer

Melody Green

There is a redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb Of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

Refrain:

*Thank you oh my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit,
'til the work on Earth is done.*

Jesus my redeemer,
name above all names,
precious Lamb Of God, Messiah,
oh, for sinners slain.

Refrain

When I stand in glory,
I will see his face,
and there I'll serve
my King forever,
in that holy place.

Refrain

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We are God's people

Brian Jeffery Leech, Arr. Fred Bock

We are God's loved ones,
the bride of Christ our Lord,
for we have known it,
the love of God outpoured;
now let us learn how to return
the gift of love once given:
let us share each joy and care
and live with a zeal that pleases heaven.

We are the body
of which the Lord is head,
called to obey him,
now risen from the dead;
he wills us be a family,
diverse yet truly one:
oh let us freely give our gifts,
and so shall God's work on earth be done.

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen

When the poor ones

Manzano, Olivar, Tr. Lockwood

When the poor ones who have nothing
share with strangers,
when the thirsty water give unto us all,
when the crippled in their weakness
strengthen others,
then we know that God
still goes that road with us.

When at last all those who suffer
find their comfort,
when they hope though even hope
seems hopelessness,
when we love though hate at times
seems all around us,
then we know that God
still goes that road with us.

When our joy fills up our cup
to overflowing,
when our lips can speak no words
other than true,
when we know that love for simple things
is better,
then we know that God
still goes that road with us.

When our homes are filled with goodness
in abundance,
when we learn how to make peace
instead of war,
when each stranger that we meet
is called a neighbour,
then we know that God
still goes that road with us.

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SPECIAL PRAISE

Psalm 121

Lee Ann Vermeulen-Roberts

Up to the hills I lift my eyes,
where does my help come from?
(repeat)

My help comes from the Lord.
My Help comes from the Lord.

He will not let you slip or fall,
He never rests or sleeps.
(repeat)

My help comes from the Lord.
My help comes from the Lord.

The Lord will guide and keep you.
The author of creation (4x)
The author of creation
The author of creation.

Your life is always in his hands,
at home and on your way.
(repeat)

He watches over you.
He guards you night and day.

He watches over you,
He guards you night and day.
(repeat)

Where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord.
(repeat)

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing for **Jo-Ann Marshall** as she recovers at home from leg surgery. May God give her strength and peace during her time of convalescence.
- ◆ 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 Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jim Gill** who is recovering following surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Liz Gough** and **Evelyn Campbell** as they both recover from recent falls.
- ◆ For God's protection, peace and grace to surround us as we walk through these trying times due to the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ 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 **Betty Smedley**, **Linda McPherson**, and **Ross Cole**.

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**CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING:** Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting to give thanks to God and to pray for one another and for the world that God loves so much. We are trusting this time of prayer will be a source of strength and comfort for all who participate. We will meet online, on Webex, every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about an hour. Visit our website, or check your email for login instructions. Questions? Contact Wendy at 519-681-7242. Everyone is welcome to attend.



**November 15**

### **Together, We are Making a Difference!**

Presbyterians Sharing is about mission. It's about ministry. It's about working together, to share the good news of the gospel in Canada and around the world. Through our gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, we revitalize churches and support innovative worship. We empower young people to grow in their faith, and prepare leaders to serve the church. We care for God's creation and advocate for human rights. We walk with Indigenous Peoples on a journey of healing and reconciliation. We work with international partners to support leadership development, Christian education and evangelism. And so much more! When we work together, we can accomplish more than we can imagine. Together, we are making a difference.

### **SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP**

**November 15**

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.  
Psalm 24:1

### **CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE**

**Hour:** WE ARE BACK ON ZOOM every Thursday evening at 7:30pm. We'll open up at 7:15 pm to allow time for setup. Meeting ID and password remain the same weekly—see your email for details. If you have any questions contact Sue at 226-663-4735.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Midnight on the Mississippi – by Mary Ellis

This book has everything. Murder, cheating, love, people from the upper classes, people from the poor and forgotten areas, alligators, copperhead snakes, ... but is a thoroughly enjoyable read. Let me tell you a little bit about it.

Hunter Galen is engaged to socialite Ashley Menard, well not exactly engaged, but close to that point. The families are in favour of the match, and are trying to push Hunter to make that final commitment. Hunter comes from a wealthy family, is in the investment business and has been very successful.

Hunter's business partner James Nowak is killed, and Hunter is the main suspect in the case. Enter Nicki – a young lady who has taken training as a private investigator, is from a very poor background and comes to the Big City (New Orleans) in the hopes of getting a job with her cousin Nate, who is also a private investigator and works for Hunter. Read and enjoy!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

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CARE & SHARE: Chalmers' weekly food assistance program continues to serve our local community in this time of need. Precautions and procedures are in place, as prescribed by the Health Unit. Families in need can call the church Mondays to book an appointment for food pickup on Tuesday between 12:30 and 1:30 pm.

CHALMERS ONLINE 6-WEEK BIBLE STUDY:

Join us on Webex Monday nights from 7-8 pm, November 9—December 7 as we look at the topic of the Sabbath. Login details available through Chalmers' website. **Please RSVP to Rev. John if interested in participating so he can send you study materials.**

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**CHALMERS SUNDAY SCHOOL** has moved ONLINE this fall! Every Wednesday night from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. Chalmers Sunday School is offering online programming in place of classes on Sunday morning. For login information please email [chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com](mailto:chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com).

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COVID-19 UPDATE: The Province of Ontario continues to implement restrictions on public gatherings, in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19. At their meeting on October 20, Chalmers Session decided that online worship will continue for the month of November. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church and office are closed. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

