

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

Welcome to Worship. Our service today will be in-person and livestreamed through our website at ChalmersLondon.com. If you are visiting with us, please fill out a visitor card, found in the pews, and drop it in the offering plate or the visitor card basket on the information table. Please plan on joining us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall following worship today.

This Week at a Glance: NOVEMBER 19—26

SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am
TUESDAY	Session Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Fall Bible Study Reachout Choir Rehearsal	12:00 pm 1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Exercise	9:00 am
SATURDAY	Moderator of PCiC Event	11:00 am
SUNDAY	In-Person & Livestream Worship Stephen Ministry Meeting	10:00 am 7:00 pm

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 8:30 am—2:30pm. Call 519-681-7242 or email chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca with any questions or admin needs.

Rev. Andrew Thompson's office hours are Mondays 9:30—2:30, Wednesdays & Thursdays 9:30 am to noon and Fridays, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm.

Volunteers: NOVEMBER 19

NOVEMBER 26

HOSTS	Muriel Bertling Fran Peach Anita Powell	Bill George Lorna Wilson Marg Ward
AUDIO VISUALS	Tammy McDonald Josiah Duffin/Nathaniel Thompson Richard Cote	Andrea Bruce Islay Thibodeau Lizz Thibodeau
FELLOWSHIP	Keith & Phyllis Johnston	Marg Ward & Mary Vair
NURSERY	Available, unsupervised	Available, Unsupervised
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Sarah Thompson, Linda Adamson	Linda Adamson, Marilyn McFadden

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

November 19, 2023

In-Person and Livestream Worship



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Brad Dobbie
Rev. Andrew Thompson

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WE APPROACH GOD

Instrumental Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Chris Hardy

Call to Worship

One: God says, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters.

All: Come, you who have no money. Come, buy and eat!"

One: We have come to feast on the living bread, that we might minister to the world's hungers.

All: We have come to drink from the waters of life, that we might minister to the world's thirst.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Let us worship God, the source of every blessing. Amen

Hymn of Praise: *You thirsty ones*

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Prayers of Adoration & Confession, and **The Lord's Prayer**

Assurance of Pardon

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

All: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: *From Heaven You Came, Helpless Babe (The Servant King)* by Graham Kendrick

Celebrating with the Children

Praise Time: *All who are thirsty*

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 121

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

All: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

One: The Lord will not let your foot be moved; the Lord who keeps you will not slumber.

All: The One who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

One: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

All: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

One: The Lord will keep you from all evil, will keep your life.

All: The Lord will keep you going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25: 14-32

Lorna Wilson

One: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Message: **Security Risk Management**

Hymn of Praise: *He leadeth me*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *God whose giving knows no ending*

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Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

Hymn of Praise: *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

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Benediction

Choral Amen

Instrumental Postlude



CHOIR ANTHEM: From heaven you came, helpless babe by Graham Kendrick

From heaven you came, helpless babe, entered our world, your glory veiled,
not to be served but to serve, and give you life that we might live.

Chorus

*This is our God, the Servant King, he calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears, my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn: "Yet not my will but yours," he said.

Come see his hands and his feet, the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space to cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone him,
each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving.

Please Pray

- ◆ For God's comfort and strength for **Doris Tutt** with the passing of Harold Tutt on Saturday, November 4.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Barry M.** who is in hospital receiving treatment for an infection.
- ◆ For **Janice C.**, who is undergoing tests in hospital. Pray for wisdom for the doctors and God's peace for Janice.
- ◆ For God's healing and comfort for **Beverley E.** as she receives care in hospital.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles M.**, who is suffering many health problems, and strength for Cathy as she cares for him.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Holly W.**
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Helen L., Jackie H., Laura M., Betty S., Ed C., Bill C.**

Ladies' Night

Christmas is Coming! Please plan on joining us on **Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 PM** in the lower hall for a night of fun, food and fellowship. Sign up in the narthex today!



Mission Moment

November 19: The friendship between the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean and the Rev. Manias Chang Yu-fa began in 2012 when they first started working together on the Bunun Bible translation project, one of the Indigenous languages in Taiwan. In March 2023, they had just finished finalizing the entire translation when Manias was hospitalized. He passed away three months later. Although Manias did not live to see the complete Bunun Bible, his family and friends find comfort in knowing that he knew that his translation work of many years was completed before he passed away. We give thanks for faithful servants. Paul receives support from Presbyterians Sharing for his work in Bible Translation.

Stewardship Moment

"We do not live by what is possessed but by what is promised."
Walter Brueggemann – scholar, theologian

Gaza Humanitarian Crisis

Donations made to the PWS&D humanitarian response will help with shelter, food, emergency help and mental health support for all those suffering the devastation of war, and are **eligible for matching** by the Canadian Government. Visit <https://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/> to donate, or give through Chalmers, and mark your envelope or cheque "PWS&D Gaza Relief".

Care & Share thank you for your generous support of this crucial ministry to our neighbours. *The need is greater than ever!* Your gifts are helping ease food insecurity for **200 families** in our area. God bless you!

From the Library...

Murder Wears Mittens – by Sally Goldenbaum

This is, as you may have guessed, a murder mystery. In the small town of Sea Harbor, Massachusetts, there are a group of ladies who meet week by week to knit garments for sale, for donation to good causes and to give them a time to chat, laugh and enjoy each other's company.

Cass Halloran is at the Laundromat just doing a bit of laundry when she sees a young boy hanging around the dryers. She wonders why he is out alone and so late in the day – so when he heads out the door, she follows him to make sure he gets home safely.

Dolores Cardozo is a senior lady, living on her own, who loves to find worthy causes and donate to them financially. Dolores is found dead one day, murdered in her own home.

Interesting? You need to read this fascinating book to find out how the ladies of the knitting group help to solve this murder.

I enjoyed it – you may too!

Christine Hunter, Librarian

Offering Envelopes

If you use a guest envelope, please be sure to include your contact information on the reverse side of the envelope so we can send you a receipt in January. Contact the church office if you would be interested in envelopes for 2024. **NOTE: if you have envelopes and will NOT be using them in the new year, please let Wendy know.**

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Linda Bone	November 19
Shirley Hall	November 21
Sawyer MacKeigan	November 21
Alex Cote	November 22
Charles McCartney	November 23
Sarah Walker	November 26

Salvation Army Kettle 2023

For over 35 years Chalmers Church has committed the volunteer hours for the White Oaks Mall Salvation Army kettle, near Tim Hortons. Our Chalmers portion of the campaign runs for TWO Weeks. **Monday, December 11th to December 23, no Sunday. 11am to 7:30 pm.** Sign up in the narthex TODAY! Questions? Speak to Andrew Thibodeau.

FROZEN BEEF & FRUIT PIES

Cost - \$5.00 ea. Proceeds to the General Fund. These are available following Sunday service or by pre-ordering through the Church office or email : mobruff@rogers.com.

MINT SMOOTHIES

Great stocking stuffers (or as a treat) \$3 or 2 for \$5.00. Available following Sunday service.



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