

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for in-person worship this Sunday at 10 am. Please pre-register by Friday noon. We will also be livestreaming the service. This can be viewed through our website at [chalmerslondon.com](http://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: NOVEMBER 7—14

<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service	10:00 am
<b>MONDAY</b>	Online Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Ukes of London	7:00 pm
	Special Session Online Meeting	8:30 pm
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Presbytery Online Meeting	7:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pick-up	12:30 pm
	Knitting Circle (in Narthex)	1:30 pm
	Policy & Planning Online Meeting	7:00 pm
	Online Prayer	8:00 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service	10:00 am

We welcome and give thanks to **Denise McLay** who will be in the Church office on a temporary basis until a permanent replacement is confirmed for the position of Office Administrator.

### OFFICE HOURS:

The office is open Tuesday—Friday mornings. Please call ahead before dropping by the church. [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) or call (519) 681-7242 with any questions or needs.

Rev. John can be reached by email, [jbannerman@bellnet.ca](mailto:jbannerman@bellnet.ca) or on his cell, (226) 919-9180.

### WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

	This Week	Next Week
<b>HOSTS</b>	Brian MacKay Pat MacKay Andrea Bruce Rita McWilliam	John & Lillian Cree Rita McWilliam
<b>A/V</b>	Torry Thibodeau Tammy McRonald Rose Marie Finlay	Torry Thibodeau Tammy McRonald Isla Thibodeau
<b>Webex</b>	Lizz Thibodeau	Lizz Thibodeau

# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## Worship Celebration

November 7, 2021

**Remembrance Sunday**

*In-Person & Livestream Worship*



### Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Call to Worship

One: From east and west, north and south, we gather on this day of remembrance to give thanks and praise.

**All: We come to hear the Word of God and honour the sacrifices of those who have committed themselves to service before self.**

One: In times of peace, in times of conflict, and in times of uncertainty,

**All: we remember that we are not alone.**

One: We are the people of God, connected across time and space, from generation to generation.

**All: We are united by the love of the One who said: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."**

One: As we gather to remember, let us sing and pray.

**All: Let us worship God together!**

Praise: *O God, our help in ages past* (Lyrics on p. 3) 330

Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Pardon

The Peace

One: May the peace of Christ be with you

**All: And also with you.**

Special Praise: *Precious Lord, take my hand* Sung by Jim Harrett

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Micah 4:1-4  
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-12

One: Lord, you were favourable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**All: You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin.**

One: Let me hear what God will speak, for the Lord will speak peace to the people, to the faithful, to those who turn to God on their hearts.

**All: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God, that glory may dwell in our land.**

One: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**All: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

One: The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

**All: Righteousness will go before the Lord, and make a pathway for God.**

Scripture Reading: John 14:25-27

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Praise: *Be still, my soul* 749

Reflection for Remembrance Sunday

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *The love of God comes close* (Lyrics on p. 3) 474 (vv. 1, 2 & 4)

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

Praise: *Make me a channel of your peace* (Lyrics on p. 3) 740

An Act of Remembrance

Words of Remembrance

The Last Post (video)

Minute of Silence

The Reveille (video)

Prayer

Praise: *For the healing of the nations* (Lyrics on p. 3) 736

Blessing

Musical Postlude



## O God, our help in ages past

Isaac Watts

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of thy throne,  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away,  
They fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

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## The love of God comes close

John L. Bell, Graham Maule, John David Edwards

The love of God comes close  
where stands an open door,  
to let the stranger in,  
to mingle rich and poor.

*The love of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the love of God is here to stay.*

The peace of God comes close  
to those caught in the storm,  
forgoing lives of ease  
to ease the lives forlorn.

*The peace of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the peace of God is here to stay.*

## Be still my soul

Jane L. Borthwick, Katharina von Schlegel

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
leave to thy God to order and provide;  
in every change God faithful will remain.  
Be still my soul, thy best, thy heavenly Friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake  
to guide the future wisely, as the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still my soul: the waves and winds still know  
the voice that ruled them here on earth below.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then shalt thou better know  
God's love, God's heart,  
who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.  
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all death takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul:  
when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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The grace of God comes close  
to those whose grace is spent,  
when hearts are tired or sore  
and hope is bruised and bent.

*The grace of God is here to stay,  
embracing those who walk the Way;  
the grace of God is here to stay.*

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## Make me a channel of your peace

Saint Patrick of Ireland

*Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there is hatred,  
let me bring your love;  
where there is injury,  
your healing power,  
and where there's doubt,  
true faith in you.*

Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there's despair in life,  
let me bring hope;  
where there is darkness, only light,  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Spirit, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace:  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born  
to eternal life.

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## Precious Lord, take my hand

Thomas A. Dorsey

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand;  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night,  
lead me on to the light: take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear precious Lord, linger near;  
when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call;  
hold my hand lest I fall: take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,  
and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand,  
guide my feet, hold my hand: take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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## For the healing of the nations

Fred Kaan

For the healing of the nations,  
Lord, we pray with one accord,  
for a just and equal sharing  
of the things that earth affords.  
To a life of love in action help us  
rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom,  
from despair your world release,  
that, redeemed from war and hatred,  
all may come and go in peace.  
Show us how through care and goodness  
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,  
let it from the earth be banned,  
pride of status, race or schooling,  
dogmas that obscure your plan.  
In our common quest for justice  
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written  
your great name on human-kind;  
for our growing in your likeness  
bring the life of Christ to mind,  
that, by our response and service,  
earth its destiny may find.

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## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's healing for **Janet Bruce** as she recovers at home from knee surgery.
- ◆ For God's comfort for Sherri Hartman's mother, **Linda Clifford**, who is palliative. May the Lord give strength to Sherri and Kevin as they care for her at home.
- ◆ For God's care and comfort for **Vivian Pearse**, who is in palliative care.
- ◆ For God's strength and healing for Linda Bone as she undergoes foot surgery this week.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles McCartney**, who is recovering at home.
- ◆ For God's healing and pain control for **Joyce Yull**.
- ◆ For healing and pain control for **Vic Laursen** who is in hospital fighting an infection.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Doris Tuff** and a spirit of perseverance as she recovers at home.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Leslee Johnston** as she recovers from surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he convalesces at home. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Barry May**.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **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.
- ◆ 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.



**November 7**

### Life-Saving Treatment in Haiti

Haiti is experiencing a food shortage crisis. As a result, many children, like Elisemene Joachim, suffer from malnutrition. At four years old, Elisemene weighed a mere 8.5 kg (around 19 pounds) when she was diagnosed with acute malnutrition at a mobile clinic. She was immediately enrolled in a program where she received life-saving treatment and was regularly monitored for several months. After 10 months, Elisemene's health and nutrition status improved, and she was healthy enough to be discharged from the program. Today, Elisemene is thriving and enjoying a healthy childhood. This project is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development and Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

### SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

**November 7**

"Every charitable act is a stepping stone towards heaven."

Henry Ward Beecher (1813 – 1837), minister, social reformer

### WE CAN SING!

The Middlesex London Health Unit (MLHU) COVID19 safety guidelines prohibiting singing during in-person Church worship have been revised. The Church received an update on October 26 2021 from the MLHU that we are now allowed to sing **with a mask on!**

*Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.*

*Worship the Lord with gladness;*

*Come before Him with joyful songs.*

Psalm 100:1-2 (NIV)

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Kings Meadow Romance** – by Robin Lee Hatcher

### Book 3 – Keeper of the Stars

Penny Cartwright has not had an easy life. Her mother died of pneumonia when she was still quite young, and only 12 years later her younger is being buried.

Penny blames Trevor Reynolds for her brother's death. She cannot understand why her younger brother would choose to join a country singer's band rather than return to Kings Meadow after college and the separation strained their relationship. Then a car accident made certain her brother could never return. Trevor Reynolds has chased stardom in Nashville for more than a dozen years, but it remains out of his reach. After an accident kills his young drummer, Trevor goes to Kings Meadow to keep a promise and perhaps to discover what truly matters in this life.

Can Penny even listen to Trevor when he tries to tell her what had happened.

I enjoyed this book. It is well written and an interesting story.

*Christine Hunter, Librarian*

**ADVENT BIBLE STUDY:** Join us online for a 4 week study of the book, "**Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas**" by Adam Hamilton. Mondays, November 29—December 20, 7—8 pm on Zoom. How God became human in the Christ child of Bethlehem is a mystery. It is difficult to understand and harder to explain. Adam Hamilton explores the why and to what end questions of the Incarnation. Books available for \$10, and printed study materials will be provided.

**RSVP** to Rev. John and let him know if you'd like a book.

**PIES. PIES. PIES.** Many thanks to all who ordered beef, turkey and fruit pies. This has been a huge success and we will report the amount raised next week.

Reminder - **orders can be picked up at the Church on Tuesday November 9th between 10:30 am and noon.**

**FROM PAT MACKAY:** Sorry to report that the cheese mouse will not be selling cheese/gift boxes again this year. Hopefully next November 2022 for Christmas giving. Thanks ~ Pat

### Chalmers Birthdays this Week

**Jim Harrett**

**Jasmine Nathaniel**

**Doris Lamont**

**November 9**

**November 13**

**November 14**

*Much joy on your birthday!*

### JOB VACANCY

#### CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Chalmers Presbyterian Church is currently recruiting an Office Administrator. The Office Administrator will provide confidential administrative functions on behalf of the Church and the Minister. The successful candidate will have experience in MS Office and a knowledge of Easy Worship would be an asset. The Office Administrator will work 20 hours per week with reduced hours during the summer. For more information on this position (duties and qualifications), please visit Chalmers' website, [ChalmersLondon.com](http://ChalmersLondon.com).

Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume **no later than November 19** to Yvonne Daniel, [yvonne-mariadaniel@gmail.com](mailto:yvonne-mariadaniel@gmail.com).