

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.

This Week at a Glance: OCTOBER 1—8

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1	In-Person & Livestream Worship Congregational Meeting	10:00 am 11:15 am
MONDAY	Ukes of London	7:00 pm
TUESDAY	CE & Faith Development Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Reachout Choir Rehearsal	9:30 am 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Senior Satellite Exercise	9:00 am
SUNDAY OCTOBER 8	In-Person & Livestream Worship Thanksgiving Sunday	10:00 am

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. To reach the church office, chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca or 519-681-7242. **Rev. Andrew Thompson's** office hours are Monday, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm, Wednesday and Thursday 9:30 am - noon and Friday, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Please contact the office with any questions or pastoral care needs.

Volunteers: OCTOBER 1

OCTOBER 8 (THANKSGIVING)

HOSTS	Brian & Pat MacKay Wanda MacKay	Fran Peach Anita Powell Ann Hunter
AUDIO VISUALS	Torry Thibodeau Jack Hardy Richard Cote	Torry Thibodeau Islay Thibodeau Lizz Thibodeau
FELLOWSHIP	Keith & Phyllis Johnston	Thanksgiving—no coffee fellowship
NURSERY	Volunteers Needed!	Volunteers Needed!
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Linda Adamson Carolyn Walker	Thanksgiving—no Sunday School

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

October 1, 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
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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Chris Hardy

Call to Worship

One: The banqueting table is prepared and God calls us to the feast.

**All: We have come from east and west, from north and south,
to sit at Christ's table.**

One: Here compassion, love, and grace pour out like fine wine.

All: Here we taste the bread of life, bread for our journey.

One: There are gifts of God for all the people of God.

All: Let us taste and see that the Lord is good!

Praise: *This is my Father's world*

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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

Praise: *When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul*

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 25:1-9

One: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**All: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

One: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;

All: let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

One: Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

All: teach me your paths.

One: Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

All: for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

One: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

**All: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to
your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!**

One: Good and upright is the Lord;

**All: therefore the Lord instructs sinners in the way,
leads the humble in what is right, and teaches them the way they should go.**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 21:23-32

Philippians 2:1-13

Yvonne Daniel

One: The Word of the Lord

All: Praise be to God

Choir Anthem: *We Are One With You, O Lord* by Jay Althouse

Message: **Downward Mobility**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We give Thee but thine own*

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Offering Prayer

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Apostle's Creed

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Praise: *All who hunger, gather gladly*

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Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and **The Lord's Prayer**

The Sharing of the Elements

Prayer After Communion

Praise: *Lord of light, whose name and splendour*

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Benediction

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

Please Pray

- ◆ For God's healing for **Marilyn M**, as she recuperates from surgery for her broken leg.
- ◆ For **Jamie and Andrew B**, struggling with their breathing due to the smoke in Yellowknife.
- ◆ For God's healing and comfort for **Beverley E** who has recently moved to Parkwood for rehabilitation.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Helen L, Jackie H, Laura M, Betty S, Ed C, and Bill C.**

Congregational Meeting

Members are encouraged to remain following worship today for a congregational meeting regarding the investment of the proceeds from the sale of the manse.

Elder Nominations:

Chalmers members are invited to submit nominations for the position of elder. Nominations will be received for three Sundays: October 1, 8 & 15. A list of active members is available at the table in the narthex for your information. Nominations may also be submitted by email by October 15.



Thanksgiving Decorating Items:

Donations of flowers, produce etc., for Thanksgiving displays in both the Narthex & Sanctuary, would be very welcome! Please drop items off at the church by the morning of Wednesday, October 4th so that I can do the decorating.

Pat MacKay



October 1: Hummingbird Ministries, one of the Indigenous ministries supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, is committed to bringing peace and healing to Indigenous families living in BC's lower mainland. Led by The Rev. Mary Fontaine, Moderator of the 2023 General Assembly, the ministry helps to restore hope by offering regular healing circles, working with the community in art and celebration, and providing educational and healing workshops, Bible studies, children's art and music programs. The ministry has also recently embarked on a journey to gather the wisdom and teachings of Indigenous elders through a series of interviews, reviving and preserving their treasured stories for generations to come.

Speaking of Stewardship

The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

Psalm 24:1

A poster for a Fall Bible Study. The background is a dark, atmospheric landscape with a silhouette of a person standing on a hill. The text is in white and yellow. It reads: "Fall Bible Study", "God Never Gives Up on You:", "What Jacob's Story Teaches Us about Grace, Mercy, and God's Relentless Love", "by Max Lucado", "Wednesdays at 6:30 pm", "in person at the church", "October 18, 25, November 1, 8 & 15", and "Please sign up in the narthex".

From the Library...

Atlanta Justice Series – By Rachel Dylan

Book1 Deadly Proof

I really enjoyed this legal thriller! Kate was a pleasant character to get to know and I quickly became invested in her effort to stop the bad guys who were knowingly putting bad drugs on the market. There were loads of twists and this case was like peeling back layers of an onion. It kept my brain engaged and the case is well paced.

Review from book collector.

Upcoming Fundraising Events

Save these dates! More info to follow!

- ◆ **All Things Christmas Bazaar**,
November 4, 9am—12pm, lower hall.
- ◆ **St. Andrews by the Sea Concert**
November 18, 2—4:30, Chalmers
Sanctuary. Tickets \$25.

Please watch your bulletin and church website for more details of both events!

We Are One With You, O Lord by Jay Althouse

We are one with you, O Lord. We are one with you, O Lord. When we break the bread and taste it, we are one with you, O Lord. And we know that you have suffered for you gave your only Son. We are one, O Lord, we are one.

We are one with you, O Lord. We are one with you, O Lord. When we pour the wine and drink it, we are one with you, O Lord. And your Spirit will be with us till our life on earth is done. We are one, O Lord, we are one.

For all that you have given, for all we will receive,
We thank you, Lord, we thank you, and we believe. Yes, we believe!

We are one with you, O Lord. We are one with you, O Lord. You have given us our faith, and we are one with you, O Lord. And your love is everlasting, like the moon and stars and sun. We are one, O Lord, we are one. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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Sunday School is in need of teachers. If you would be able to help out approximately once a month, please speak to Linda Adamson. All volunteers will need to obtain a police record check.

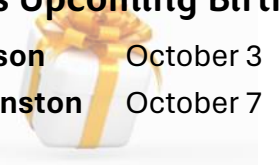
Nursery Volunteers

We are in need of volunteers to provide nursery supervision so some of our young families can attend worship. We hope to create a rotating roster, with 1 adult and 1 youth per week. A police record check is required for anyone age 16+. Youth helpers welcomed! Please contact the church office.

Audio/Visual team is in need of more members. If you would be interested in helping out in the booth from time to time, please contact the office. Full training will be provided.

Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Lorna Wilson October 3
Phyllis Johnston October 7



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