

## 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 join us for coffee fellowship in the lower hall following worship today.

### This Week at a Glance: OCTOBER 29-NOVEMBER 5

<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship Stephen Ministry Meeting	10:00 am 7:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Pastoral Care Team Meeting Care & Share Food Pickup Knitting Circle Fall Bible Study Reachout Choir Rehearsal	9:30 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Senior Satellite Exercise <b>Christmas Bazaar Sale Items/Baking Drop – off</b>	9:00 am 1:00—4:00 pm
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>Everything Christmas Bazaar</b>	9:00 am
<b>SUNDAY</b>	In-Person & Livestream Worship	10:00 am

**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: OCTOBER 29

### NOVEMBER 5

<b>HOSTS</b>	Mavis Love-Symonds Marg Ward Mary Vair	Keith Johnston Phyllis Johnston Carolyn Walker
<b>AUDIO VISUALS</b>	Andrea Bruce Jack Hardy Rose Marie Finlay	Torry Thibodeau Josiah Duffin Richard Cote
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	Keith & Cathy Spooner	Gord & Mary Vair
<b>NURSERY</b>	Patricia Matesic, Paige Hardy	Volunteers Needed!
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	Linda Adamson, Carolyn Walker	Sarah Thompson, Yvonne Daniel

# CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Worship Celebration

October 29, 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

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

One: The Lord has been our dwelling place in all generations.

**All: From everlasting to everlasting God is God, and so we come to worship.**

One: God satisfies us every morning with steadfast love;

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad all our days.**

One: Tell of God's glorious power and praise God's holy name.

**All: We will offer God the work of our hands and praise from the depths of our hearts**

**Praise:** *Holy, Holy, Holy* 299

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.**

Celebrating with the Children

**Praise:** *You are my all in all*

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 1

One: Blessed are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**All: but their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and on that law they meditate day and night.**

One: They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

**All: In all that they do, they flourish.**

One: The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.  
Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**All: for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Elaine McInnis

One: The Gospel of the Lord

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

Choir Anthem: *For All the Saints Who've Shown Your Love*

John Bell

Message: **An Unfinished Life**

**Praise:** *In the bulb there is a flower* 674

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

Bob Finlay

Offering of our Gifts

**Offering Praise:** *We are God's people* 472 (1,2 & 4)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

## FOR ALL THE SAINTS: A TIME OF REMEMBERING AND GIVING THANKS

Reading the Names of our Departed Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

**Georgina Carroll** Feb 19, 2023

**Jim Patterson** Mar 1, 2023

**John Elliot** Mar 14, 2023

**Joyce Yull** June 11, 2023

**Betty Cross** July 5, 2023

Lighting of Memorial Candles

**Praise:** *O Lord my God* 332

Benediction

**Choral Amen**

Musical Postlude

**For All the Saints Who've Shown Your Love,**  
text and arr. John L. Bell

For all the saints who've shown your love In how they live and where they move,  
For mindful women, caring men, Accept our gratitude again.

For all the saints who loved your name, Whose faith increased the Savior's fame,  
Who sang your songs and shared your word, Accept our gratitude, good Lord.

For all the saints who named your will, And showed the kingdom coming still  
Through selfless protest, prayers and praise, Accept the gratitude we raise.

Bless all whose will or name or love Reflects the grace of heav'n above.  
Though unacclaimed by earthly pow'rs, Your life through theirs has hallowed ours.



## Please Pray

- ◆ For God's healing and comfort for **Beverley E.** as she receives care in hospital.
- ◆ For God's continued healing for **Marilyn M.**
- ◆ For God's healing for **Charles M.**, who is suffering many health problems, and strength for Cathy as she cares for him.
- ◆ Please continue to keep in your prayers **Helen L., Jackie H., Laura M., Betty S., Ed C., Bill C. & Holly W.**

### From Session:

The election of elders will take place on Sunday, November 12th, 2023. Anyone who cannot attend but wants to vote must contact their elder who will deliver a ballot. Ballots must be returned to Chalmers' office by November 19th.

## Stephen Ministry...Listen!

That's what Stephen Ministers do. They have gone through 50+ hours of training in providing Christian care so that they can focus on your needs and listen to what you really have to say. Chalmers is a Stephen Ministry congregation and we need more Stephen Ministers to be able to support our congregation. We will be starting a new training course in the new year. Please talk to Doug or Janet Bruce for more information.



**October 29:** Cyclone Freddy—one of the most powerful storms ever recorded in the southern hemisphere—made landfall in Malawi in March 2023. Thousands in Malawi were left homeless, and with severe crop losses, over 345,000 people were affected by the heavy rains, floods and landslides. Through its partners, PWS&D responded to this devastating disaster by providing maize flour and soya to enable families to meet their immediate food requirements. Additionally, because of critical food insecurity due to droughts and floods in the area, PWS&D implemented a three-month food assistance project for 2,500 households. This project provided food assistance in the form of cash transfers, as well as seeds to produce high-value crops.

### From the Trustees:

With the sale of the manse in September, Chalmers now has a significant sum of money to invest for future use. The trustees, in consultation with our treasurer and several financial advisors, proposed to the congregation to invest this money in the Presbyterian Church in Canada's Consolidated Portfolio. This portfolio is well diversified, offering us a safe and profitable investment. It is well managed by a team of financial experts. Because the fund is managed through PCC, we can also be confident that the portfolio is well-aligned with the church's vision and values. Because this portfolio is so strong, the trustees also proposed investing the Memorial Fund in conjunction with the Manse Fund. Both funds will continue to be monitored by the Trustees. This investment will be made in January 2024. Chalmers will subsequently have access to these funds on a quarterly basis. Both of these proposals were approved by the congregation at a congregational meeting on October 1st, 2023.

### From the Library...

**Atlanta Justice Series** – By Rachel Dylan

**Book 2: Lone Witness**

Lone Witness is an incredibly engaging, entertaining novel. I really enjoyed the legal aspect of the book, with two simultaneous trials—one where Sophie was the prosecutor, and the other where she was a witness for the prosecution. I found myself surprised by the bank case that Sophie was prosecuting, as I expected that to be "filler," while the main event was the murder trial. But the bank case ended up being more intriguing than it looked at first, and I loved that aspect of the novel.

*Review from book collector*

## 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**

*Please sign up in the narthex*

## Chalmers Upcoming Birthdays

Frances Sobieralski	November 4
Loretta Duffin	November 5
Jim Harrett	November 9
John Cree	November 10



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**\*\*DONATIONS FOR THE BAZAAR** baked goods, regifting items and gently used books will be received in the lower hall (please use side entrance) on Friday, November 3 from 1-4pm.

## St. Andrew's By the Sea Concert

Plan on joining us **Saturday, November 18** here at Chalmers from **2-4:30pm** for a fundraising concert, in support of Chalmers' General Fund. Featuring "Blown Ashore" Sea Shanty Band, a 7-piece band featuring our own Bob Finlay. They will perform songs of Scotland, Ireland, Canada and Sea Shanties. Refreshments will be served during intermission. Tickets are **\$25/person** (children 12 and under free) and may be purchased through the church office, (519) 681-7242, or from Bob Finlay or any Fundraising Committee member.

**Advent Event:** Anyone interested in helping out with an Advent Event early in December, please speak with Linda Adamson. Thank you!