

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to worship at Chalmers. If you are a guest, visitor or newcomer to Chalmers we reach out to you with hospitality and friendship in Jesus' name. Please take a moment to fill in a guest card—available in the pew holder or from the welcome table. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate, in the box on the welcome table, or given to Rev. John.

Please note that some fellow worshippers are sensitive to perfumes. We ask that you consider keeping Chalmers scent-free. Thank you.

Everyone is welcome to join us in the lower hall following worship for our annual **Burger Bash!**

### AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER 15-22

- SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am  
Library Open – 11:15 am  
Coffee Fellowship - 11:15 am  
Parkwood Worship - 2 pm  
Meadowpark Worship - 3:30 pm
- MONDAY** Ukes of London - 7 pm  
Worship Committee - 7 pm  
Policy & Planning - 7 pm
- TUESDAY** Care & Share - 1 pm  
Seniors' Fitness - 1 pm  
Session - 7 pm
- WEDNESDAY** Knitting Circle - 1:30 pm  
Reachout - 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY** Choir Rehearsal - 6:30 pm  
Praise Team - 8 pm
- FRIDAY** Seniors' Satellite - 9 am  
Seniors' Euchre - 12:30 pm  
Volleyball (Supreme Courts) - 7 pm
- SATURDAY** Beyond These Walls - 9:30 am
- SUNDAY** Worship & Sunday School - 10 am  
Library Open – 11:15 am  
Tasteful Topics - 11:30 am  
Stephen Ministry - 7 pm

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Mon:** 9 am - 3pm & **Tues-Fri:** 12 pm - 3:30 pm

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Oct 5:** Ride for Refuge - 9:30 am  
PAN Mission Spaghetti Supper - 5:30 pm

### TODAY'S HOSTS:

Muriel Bertling & Host Needed  
Host Needed & Bev Cameron  
Yvonne Daniel & Karen Dutton

### NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

Murray & Lois Cummings  
Gail McHardy-Leitch & Don Leitch  
Betty & Peter Longmore

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Sept 15: Sherri & Kevin Hartman  
Sept 22: Tasteful Topics - no coffee  
Sept 29: Karen Dutton & Heather Reid  
Oct 6: Helen Innes & Debbie Scott

### COUNTERS:

Sept 15: Joanne & Bruce  
Sept 22: Heather & Maureen  
Sept 29: Brian & Pat  
Oct 6: Todd & Brenda

### IN THE BOOTH:

Sept 15: Tammy, Rick & Lizz  
Sept 22: Tom, Marilyn & Rose Marie  
Sept 29: Tom, Isla, Lizz  
Oct 6: Colin, Torry & Sue

### IN THE NURSERY:

Sept 15: Leslee @ Cathy  
Sept 22: Dan & Wanda  
Sept 29: Heather & Jackie  
Oct 6: Patricia & Laurie



# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

September 15, 2019—10:00 am

14th Sunday after Pentecost



### 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. John Bannerman

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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Silent Prayer      A time to be still and know the presence of God

Call to Worship      Psalm 118:24

One: This is the day the Lord has made.

All: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Declaration of Pardon

The Peace      May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

★ Praise:      *Praise him, praise him, Jesus our blessed Redeemer*      372

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading:      Psalm 51:1-10

One: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

All: **according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

One: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

All: **and cleanse me from my sin.**

One: For I know my transgressions,

All: **and my sin is ever before me.**

One: Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight.

All: **so that you are justified in your sentence**

**And blameless when you pass judgment.**

One: Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

All: **You desire truth in the inward being;  
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

One: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

All: **wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

One: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

All: **Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.**

One: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

All: **and put a new and right spirit within me.**

Choir Anthem: *Sing Out with Splendour* by M. Martin & D. Nolan

Scripture Reading:      1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10      (French/English)

Didine Mabondo

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

★ Praise:      *Everyone needs a little*

Sermon:      **Rejoice with me**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection      *Come, rejoice in God*      417

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The Offering of Our Gifts:      *I come, O Lord*

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

**Lord God, we give these gifts in a spirit of generosity and joy. Use them, we pray,  
for the work you long to do in the world in Jesus' name...**

★ Praise:      *The River is here*

Celebrating with the Children & **The Lord's Prayer**

★ Praise:      *Come, let us sing*      706

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

★ *This symbol is used to invite people to stand. All songs and responses will be projected on the screens.*

### Sing Out with Splendour - M. Martin & D. Nolan

Sing out with splendor to God, our creator. We are the instruments; He is the song.

He fills each heart with the joy of salvation. Sing out with joy, with praise loud and strong.

Sing out with splendour, with great exultation. Shout unto God, all His praises proclaim.

Let now the songs of the ones He created sound forth in splendor, rejoice in His name.

Alleluia, praise the Lord with thanksgiving. Alleluia, praise the Lord and rejoice.

Alleluia, praise the Lord with thanksgiving. Let the people rejoice.

Let the people sing alleluia, singing as one mighty voice, mighty voice.

Alleluia, sing with splendor to God.

# Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For healing and strength for Jack Webster as he remains in hospital receiving care.
- ◆ For healing for Lois Cummings as she recovers at home from recent surgery.
- ◆ For healing for Blanche Gardiner who is in hospital receiving care for a broken hip.
- ◆ For healing and strength for Carl Suchard, a former member of Chalmers who is receiving care following a diagnosis of leukemia.
- ◆ 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 Eileen Reid, Linda McPherson, Maureen Gaskin, and Ross Cole.
- ◆ For the staff of the Pond Mills Branch of the London Public Library at 1166 Commissioners Rd. E. across the street just east of our church building, as they serve the people of our community.

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**THE TERRY FOX RUN:** for cancer research takes place today. Rev. John is running again this year. John is inviting you to make a pledge or gift payable to the Terry Fox Foundation. Tax receipts will be provided for gifts of \$20 or more. Pledge sheets are on the table in the narthex. Please consider participating this year by walking, running, wheeling or cycling in support of cancer research. Thank you for your support!

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**BEYOND THESE WALLS:** You are invited to participate in a time of discussion and planning about our outreach to, and mission in the local community. How can we use our current programs and consider new ministries to reach out to our neighbours and serve them in Jesus' name? Join us Saturday, September 21, 2019, 9:30 am - noon. Please sign up on the table in the narthex.

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**VOLLEYBALL:** All are welcome to join us for an evening of recreational volleyball on Friday, September 20 at 7 pm at Supreme Courts, 11 Buchanan Ct., London.



## **September 15: International Day of Prayer for Peace (September 21)**

The International Day of Prayer for Peace is a time to reflect on the importance of upholding peace among people and across nations. A peaceful society is one where justice, equality and security are available to everyone. To achieve this, people everywhere need to have the opportunity for economic and social development. That is why PWS&D is working in some of the most vulnerable and marginalized countries around the world to help families overcome poverty hunger, and oppression by promoting health, education, gender equality, sanitation, protection of the environment and social justice. While peace will enable a compassionate world to take shape, a sustainable environment will also further peace.

*PWS&D promotes sustainable development for peace*

## **SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP September 15**

Give to God what's right, not what's left.

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Our Mission Committee will be leading worship at **MEN'S MISSION** on Sunday, September 22 at 7pm. If you are able to bring sandwiches or participate in the service, please indicate so on the sign up sheet in the narthex.

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**TASTEFUL TOPICS:** Our first luncheon will be on September 22 following morning worship, with guest speaker, Karen Green of Power of HOPE, a community organization that provides teddy bears and pajamas to children in need. Suggested donation for lunch: \$10/person. Please sign up on the table in the narthex.

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**POP CANS FUNDRAISING:** Thank you for supporting the pop can venture, which raises funds for our Youth Ministry. A total of \$109.65 has been raised thus far this year! There is a Rubbermaid bin in the narthex for the pop cans.

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

### **Evidence of Mercy** – by Terri Blackstock

This is the first book in the series Sun Coast Chronicles. Lynda Barrett loves to fly, but has decided that she needs to sell her plane. Jake Stevens also loves to fly and when he sees the advert, he decides that he would like to try this plane out – and possibly buy it. The flight goes well until they are about to land and then there is a terrible crash that almost takes Lynda's life. As the story unfolds it becomes clear that someone is out to get Lynda. Terri Blackstock writes an interesting, exciting mystery story, and I really enjoyed this one. *Christine Hunter, Librarian*

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**PYPS REJUVENATE EVENT:** Rejuvenate is an event for ages 14-25, hosted this year by St. Lawrence Presbyterian Church, 910 Huron St. London, Sept 21 at 10 am to Sept 22 at 1 pm. The theme this year is "Getting to know the Bible Better". Cost: \$75/participant. Register today at [www.swopyps.ca/register](http://www.swopyps.ca/register).

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**RETHINK POVERTY:** ReThink Poverty is a workshop and simulation experience designed to provide attendees with an opportunity to learn more about the issue of poverty and strategies to address it. Various sessions are being held throughout the City of London this fall. See the poster on the bulletin board for details. To register, call 519-661-4600 or online at [lpl.ca](http://lpl.ca).

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**VERITAS SERIES LECTURE:** Although the Truth & Reconciliation Commission has produced its report, much remains to be done to ensure all Canadians understand and implement its recommendations. Senator Murray Sinclair speaks on *The Future of Truth and Reconciliation* at King's University College, London, Thursday, September 26 at 7 pm. Free admission and parking.

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**RIDE FOR REFUGE 2019:** On October 5, join PWS&D in the Ride for Refuge - a fundraiser in support of PWS&D's maternal, newborn and child health projects in Malawi and Afghanistan. Cycle 25 km or walk 5 km. Ride begins at 10 am at Chalmers Church. To register or to donate, visit [ride.w-ith.us/London4Malawi](http://ride.w-ith.us/London4Malawi).

## **PAN MEDICAL MISSION TRIP - NOV '19**

As our departure date is closer, our focus is clearer. Donations of Ladies underwear-small and medium, baseball gloves, facecloths, plastic pencil cases, combs and soaps are the items that are needed. Thanks to those crocheting the cords, we continue to need those. Adult and child clothing as well as flannel sheets and cotton, we thank all of you for these items. We have reached our quota for these products. Packing date: October 20. Any Questions, see Chris and Kristine Hardy, Linda Powers, Audrey Baldwin

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*\*When giving to the PAN mission in the Sunday offering, please clearly mark your envelope "PAN Mission" Thank you for your support!*

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**PAN SPAGHETTI SUPPER:** October 5, 2019. Doors open at 5pm, supper at 5:30 pm. Cost: \$20/adult, \$10/child (ages 5-12), under 5 eat free, family price (4+) \$50. Silent Auction and door prizes to be won. Tickets available Sept 15 following worship and in the church office.

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**HOSTING/COFFEE TEAMS:** If anyone would like to join the Sunday hosting team and/or the coffee hour team please contact Cathy Spooner or Maureen Bruff. Requirements for both groups are 3-4 times per year.

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**A NOTE FROM IRENE MATHYSSEN, MP:** Chalmers Presbyterian Church, I want to thank you for all the years of service to the communities of London-Fanshawe. Your contribution to the people has helped families and neighbourhoods prosper. Thank you also for supporting summer students. I know they learned valuable skills. I am retiring in October of this year and wanted to let you know that I valued your advice and dedication as a member of the community. Best wishes, Irene Mathysen

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**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT:** Sarah Baldwin and Nikko Kontitsis announce the safe arrival of Jonathan Alexander Kontitsis on Friday, September 6, 2019 at Victoria Campus, weighing 7 lb. 1oz. A brother for William. All are doing well.