

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.

There will be a time of refreshments and fellowship in the lower hall following worship. The **striped mugs** at coffee hour are for visitors. Please help our visitors feel welcome.

AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER 1 - 8

SUNDAY Worship - 10 am
Library Open – 11:15 am
Coffee Fellowship - 11:15 am

TUESDAY Pastoral Care Team - 9:30 am
Care & Share - 1 pm
Seniors' Fitness - 1 pm
CE & Faith Development - 7 pm
Policy & Planning - 7:30 pm

WEDNESDAY Knitting Circle - 1:30 pm
Session Exec - 3 pm
Mission Committee - 6:30 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

SUNDAY Worship - 10 am
Library Open – 11:15 am
Burger Bash - 11:30 am

*NEW OFFICE HOURS:

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

UPCOMING DATES:

Sept 8: Burger Bash - 11:30 am
Sept 13: Movie Night - 7 pm
Sept 20: Volleyball - 7 pm
Sept 22: Tasteful Topics - 11:30 am

TODAY'S HOSTS:

Debbie Latta & Host Needed
Torry Thibodeau & Jane Vannus
Holly Williams & Shirley Andersen

NEXT SUNDAY'S HOSTS:

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

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS:

Sept 1: Keith & Phyllis Johnston
Sept 8: Burger Bash - no coffee
Sept 15: Sherry & Kevin Hartman
Sept 22: Tasteful Topics - no coffee

COUNTERS:

Sept 1: Todd & Brenda
Sept 8: Patricia & Paul
Sept 15: Joanne & Bruce
Sept 22: Heather & Maureen

IN THE BOOTH:

Sept 1: Tom, Torry & Lizz
Sept 8: Tammy, Sue & Marilyn
Sept 15: Tammy, Rick & Lizz
Sept 22: Tom, Marilyn & Rose Marie



Chalmers Presbyterian Church

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

September 1, 2019—10:00 am

12th Sunday after Pentecost



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Summer Outreach Coordinator
Caretaker
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers
Tom Hunter
Beth Hickey
Wendy Sibley
Jacqueline Nathaniel
Brad Dobbie
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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 Living Faith 2.3.1, 2.3.2, 2.3.3

One: We are called to work out the meaning of our own lives and to find our true vocation in the love and service of God.

All: We serve and love God by the service and love of creation, especially the care of the needy. Every kind of work that is honest and serves others is a vocation from the Lord.

One: In God's service true freedom is to be found.

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: *God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian* 589

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 41:1-4, 13

One: Blessed are those who consider the poor.

**All: the Lord delivers them in the day of trouble.
The Lord protects them and keeps them alive;
they are called blessed in the land.**

One: You do not give them up to the will of their enemies.

**All: The Lord sustains them on their sickbed;
in their illness you heal all their infirmities.**

One: As for me I said, "O Lord be gracious to me;
heal me, for I have sinned against you.

**All: Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting. Amen and Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:35-45

Lizz Thibodeau

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

★ Praise: *Love the Lord your God*

Sermon: **Called to Serve**

WE RESPOND TO GOD

A Time for Reflection *Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love* 229 (v.2, 4)

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of Our Gifts: *Je louerai l'Éternel / Praise, I will praise* 420 (v.1 Fr, v.2,3 Eng)

Offering Prayer & Prayers of the People

We worship you, God of grace and glory, with our prayers, praise and these gifts of money that we return to you for your work in the world. May we continue to serve you with our words and actions this week, through Jesus Christ our Lord...

★ Praise: *The River is here*

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

★ Praise: *The church's one foundation* 479 (v. 1, 2 & 5)

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.*

Please *PRAY*

- ◆ Phyllis Wellington passed away on Tuesday, August 27. We pray for comfort and strength for her family as they grieve her passing. The funeral was on Saturday, August 31.
- ◆ 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. Carl and his wife Nancy live in Goderich.
- ◆ 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.

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**CARE & SHARE RESUMES THIS WEEK!** This is a community effort to help struggling families in our area who are in need of food support. 3-4 more volunteers are needed to give one Tuesday a month to help with the food cupboard. Volunteer time is roughly 10am - 2pm and involves packing boxes with non perishable goods, milk and eggs. If you can help out with this vital ministry, please contact Joanne Dickert.

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BURGER BASH: Come join in the fun at Chalmers' Annual Burger Bash! Sunday, September 8th immediately following the church service in the lower hall and on the East lawn. Come enjoy a FREE BBQ featuring hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans and ice cream cones as we join together and "kick off" the fall season.

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**CHALMERS MOVIE NIGHT:** Join us for the movie, "Amazing Grace" featuring Aretha Franklin on Friday, September 13 at 7:00 pm. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. All ages welcome! The popcorn will be on!



## September 1: Learning and healing

For students in Central India, higher education is too often a distant dream. Many nurses who aspire to enhance their skills cannot afford the tuition. With support from Presbyterians Sharing, the MIBE Graduate School for Nurses in Indore offers partial scholarships which help to make advanced education accessible. This Christian school offers a Post-Basic Bachelor of Nursing degree, equipping men and women to become educators, administrators and leaders in nursing. It even attracts students from other faiths, as they appreciate the emphasis on academic excellence, learning in a collegial environment and compassion in health care. As anyone who has been ill knows, compassion and competence are essential skills to care for the whole person.

*Presbyterians Sharing supports leadership development*

## SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

### September 1

Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.

*– William Ward (1921-1994), writer*

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THE TERRY FOX RUN: for cancer research will take place on Sunday, September 15. Rev. John will be 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 very much for your support of this worthwhile cause.

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**TASTEFUL TOPICS:** Our first luncheon will be on September 22, 2019 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.

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Traces of Guilt** by Dee Henderson, An Evie Blackwell Cold Case

Dee Henderson is one of my favourite murder mystery writers. I find she manages to keep you guessing and interested for the whole book. This is no exception. Evie is a top investigator for the Illinois State Police and has been assigned to the small town of Carin to look into solving a cold case. Here she meets Gabriel Thane who is the local sheriff and prides himself on being good at his job. He tries to be open about Evie "moving in on his job", but as they talk and do some research into a couple of cold cases, he realizes that she is very good at her job, and that she brings a new perspective as she looks at the cases from a different angle. Great story – definitely a page-turner.

*Christine Hunter, Librarian*

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Have you considered signing up for **PAR (PRE AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE)?** It's easy to do, makes consistent offerings simple and can be stopped or adjusted easily. Offering is withdrawn directly from your bank account monthly. Forms are available in the narthex, or speak to Wendy in the office.

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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.

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RIDE FOR REFUGE 2019: On October 5, join PWS&D in the Ride for Refuge - a cycling and walking 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 9 am at Chalmers Church. People of all ages and abilities are encouraged to participate. If you would like more information, visit presbyterian.ca/pwsd/rideforrefuge. To register or to donate, visit ride.w-ith.us/London4Malawi.

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**ELDERS DOCUMENTS:** Elders are asked to please pick up documents from the files in the narthex today.

Anyone wishing to **PLACE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** throughout the year is invited to do so. If you wish these to be acknowledged, please let the office administrator know so a note can be placed in the bulletin (needs to be by Wednesday).

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If you would like a copy of the **CHALMERS DIRECTORY** (phone numbers & addresses), please call or email Wendy in the church office (chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) and she will print one off for you.

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**DAILY BREAD:** The September - November issue of Our Daily Bread are available in hutch in the narthex. If you wish to make a donation for this, please put it in the box located on beside the books.

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WE GIVE THANKS for the **PEW CUSHIONS** we now enjoy in our sanctuary, which were gifted to Chalmers by Fairmont United Church.

PAN MEDICAL MISSION TRIP - NOV '19

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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. Any Questions, see Chris and Kristine Hardy, Linda Powers, Audrey Baldwin

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the PAN Spaghetti Supper- Saturday, 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.

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*\*When putting a donation to the PAN mission in the Sunday offering, please clearly mark your envelope "PAN Mission" so we can be sure to allocate the funds to the team. Thank you for your support!*