

CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us as we **live stream** worship for the next few weeks. The service will be available through our website at chalmerslondon.com. The live stream video link is found on the home page. We encourage you to let us know you have joined us by filling in the short response form.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER 6—13

SUNDAY	Worship (Online)	10:00 am
MONDAY	Stephen Ministry Supervision	6:30 pm
TUESDAY	Pastoral Care Online Meeting	9:30 am
	Care & Share	12:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Policy & Planning Online Meeting	7:30 pm
THURSDAY	Virtual Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
SUNDAY	Worship (Online)	10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

The Chalmers Church office is closed until such a time as meeting restrictions are lifted. Please email chalmerspclondon@gmail.com with any questions or needs. Rev. John can be reached at his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell phone (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, www.chalmerslondon.com. You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

Chalmers Presbyterian Church

Worship Celebration

September 6, 2020

14th Sunday after Pentecost

(Online Worship)



Chalmers' Ministry Team:

Ministers
Clerk of Session
Music Director
Office Administrator
Caretaker
Pastor

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WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

1 John 4:7-8

One: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God

All: All who love are born of God and know God.

One: All who do not love do not know God, for God is love.

Praise: *Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet* (Lyrics on page 3) 466

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Celebrating with the Children

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Psalm 143:1-8

One: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

All: give ear to my supplications in your faithfulness;

One: answer me in your righteousness.

**All: Do not enter into judgment with your servant,
for no one living is righteous before you.**

One: For the enemy has pursued me, crushing my life to the ground,
making me sit in darkness like those long dead.
Therefore my spirit faints within me; my heart within me is appalled.

**All: I remember the days of old, I think about all your deeds,
I meditate on the works of your hands.
I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.**

One: Answer me quickly, O Lord, my spirit fails.

**All: Do not hide your face from me,
or I shall be like those who go down to the Pit.
Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning,
for in you I put my trust.
Teach me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.**

Scripture Reading: James 1:18-27

Mark 10:46-52

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: **Quick to Listen**

Special Praise: *Sing to the Lord with a Joyful Sound* by Jill Gallina Chalmers Senior Choir

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

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

Praise: *Help us to help each other, Lord* (Lyrics on page 3) 489

The Blessing

Musical Postlude

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet

Natalie Sleeth

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,
praise the Lord with the harp and lute,
praise the Lord with the gentle sounding flute.
Praise the Lord in the field and forest,
praise the Lord in the city square,
praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.
Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine,
praise the Lord in the dark of night,
praise the Lord in the rain or snow
or in the morning light.
Praise the Lord in the deepest valley,
praise the Lord on the highest hill,
praise the Lord, never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal,
praise the Lord with the pipe and string,
praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.
Praise the Lord on a weekday morning,
praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,
praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.
Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow,
praise the Lord in the time of joy,
praise the Lord every moment,
nothing let your praise destroy.
Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,
praise the Lord in your work or play,
praise the Lord everywhere in every way!

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen

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Help us to help each other, Lord

Charles Wesley

Help us to help each other, Lord,
each other's cross to share;
let each our friendly aid afford,
and feel each other's care.

Up into thee, our living Head,
let us in all things grow,
and by thy sacrifice be led
the fruits of love to show.

Drawn by the magnet of thy love
let all our hearts agree;
and ever to each other move,
and ever nearer thee.

This is the bond of perfectness,
thy spotless charity.
O let us still, we pray, possess
the mind that was in thee.

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Special Praise

Sing to the Lord with a Joyful Sound

Jill Gallina

Sing to the Lord with a joyful sound.
Lift your voice,
let His praises abound.
Sing to the Lord, let the joy resound.
Allelu, alleluia!

Lift your voice in joyful sound.
Sing to the Lord,
spread His love around.
Sing His praises, let them resound.
Alle, alleluia!

Sing His praises with a joyful sound.
Rock of Ages, alle, alleluia!

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Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing for **Jo-Ann Marshall** as she recovers at home from leg surgery. May God give her strength and peace during her time of convalescence.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he recovers at home after enduring a fall late last year. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ For **Todd Webster** who is now at home receiving treatment for pancreatitis.
- ◆ For God to give peace and comfort to the family and friends of **Ron Sumner** who died at home with his son Alex by his side on Wednesday, August 26th. Ron was a professing member of Chalmers who will be greatly missed by his family and his family of faith. We praise God for his life, faith and legacy. Funeral arrangements pending.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Jim Gill** who is recovering at Victoria Hospital following hip surgery on August 21st. May the Lord give to Jim a speedy and full recovery from this surgery and give him strength and patience during this time of hospitalization and convalescence.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ For God's blessing for **Betty Smedley, Linda McPherson,** and **Ross Cole.**



September 6

World Literacy Day (September 8)
In Afghanistan, cultural norms dictate that men often play a more central role in public life, while women and girls have more significant roles in the home. Because of this, many girls do not have equal access to education. Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D), with the support of local partners, has been working to provide girls with access to high quality education. Through summer camps, girls are informed about human rights, gender, sex, and leadership and democracy. Sadaf and Nargi participated in this summer camp, where they were inspired and excited about the great things they could achieve in the future. For the two girls, access to fair and equal education is vital for their goals and dreams; it is also essential to allow their communities to flourish.

PWS&D supports equal education

SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

"Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow."

Melody Beattie (1948 -), author

CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR: Every Thursday evening at 7:30pm. We'll open up at 7:15 to allow time for setup. If you have any questions or need setup help, contact Sue at 226-663-4735 or suegarner32@gmail.com.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Second Half – by Lauraine Snelling

An interesting family story. The Sorensons are getting ready to retire. At least Ken is, and Mona is looking forward to taking some time off from her business and doing some travelling – seeing a bit of the world, visiting the grandchildren.

Their son is divorced with two young children, and is an officer in the Army. When he is suddenly facing an overseas assignment at very short notice, he asks his parents to look after his family. This is not something they had been expecting, but also something they feel they must do.

Read on to see how this family story turns out.

Christine Hunter, Librarian

CHURCH DIRECTORY: If you would like a copy of the church directory, please email the church office at chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca and Wendy will provide one for you.

CARE & SHARE: Chalmers' food assistance program continues to serve our local community in this time of need. Precautions and procedures are in place, as prescribed by the Health Unit. Families in need can call the church Mondays to book an appointment for food pickup on Tuesday between 12:30 and 1pm. Many thanks to our faithful Care & Share volunteers!

ONLINE DONATIONS: Thank you for your continued, faithful support of Chalmers Presbyterian Church during this time of physical distancing. Offerings may be mailed in to the church, or submitted online through the link found on the home page of our website.

COVID-19 UPDATE: Most of the Province of Ontario has moved to Stage 3 of re-opening, with some restrictions lifting, taking precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. At their meeting on September 1, Session decided that online worship will continue for the month of September. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church office is closed. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

THANK YOU to my church family for the lovely cards of condolence sent in memory of my Mother, Joan MacKenzie. It brought great comfort to know so many people remembered her, not only for her art contributions but her devotion to Chalmers.

Laurie & Les MacNeill & Family

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. Drop Wendy an email if you would be interested, at chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca.