

## CHALMERS' LIFE & MISSION

We welcome you to join us for **online** worship this Sunday. The service will be available through our website at [chalmerslondon.com](http://chalmerslondon.com). The 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: APRIL 18-25

<b>SUNDAY</b>	Online Worship Service	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Session Online Meeting	7:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Care & Share Food Pickup	12:30 pm
	Online Prayer Meeting	8:00 pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Online Community Coffee Hour	7:30 pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Online Worship Service	10:00 am
	Virtual Sunday School	11:00 am
	Stephen Ministry Supervision	7:00 pm

### OFFICE HOURS:

The church building and office remain closed to the public. Wendy is once again working from HOME. We urge you to call ahead before dropping by the church. Email [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) with any questions or needs.

Rev. John can be reached on his home phone (519) 681-9876 or cell (226) 919-9180. Regular updates will be posted on the home page of our website, [www.chalmerslondon.com](http://www.chalmerslondon.com). You may also find up to date information on the **Chalmers Presbyterian Church Ministries Group** Facebook page.

# Chalmers Presbyterian Church

## Online Worship Celebration

April 18, 2021

3rd Sunday of Easter



### Chalmers' Ministry

#### Team:

Ministers  
Clerk of Session  
Music Director  
Office Administrator  
Caretaker  
Pastor

All the People of Chalmers  
Tom Hunter  
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## WE APPROACH GOD

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Isaiah 12:2

One: Surely God is our salvation.

All: **We will trust and will not be afraid.**

One: The Lord is our strength and our song.

All: **The Lord has become our salvation.**

Praise: *God, we praise you for the morning* (Lyrics on p. 3) 436

Prayers of Adoration, Confession, and Pardon

Celebrating with the Children: *Together in Mission* (PCC video)

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 121

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

All: **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

One: The Lord will not let your foot be moved;  
the Lord who keeps you will not slumber.

All: **The One who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

One: The Lord is your keeper;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

All: **The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

One: The Lord will keep you from all evil, will keep your life.

All: **The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in  
from this time on and forevermore.**

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-23

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Praise: *Psalm 121*

Message: *My Help Comes from the Lord*

Special Praise: *The Lord's My Shepherd* (Lyrics on p. 3) Bob Finlay

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Chalmers' Life and Mission

The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Praise: *We give Thee but thine own* (Lyrics on p. 3) 661 (vv. 1 & 2)

Offering Prayer

Praise: *Come, let us sing unto the Lord our song* (Lyrics on p. 3) 412

The Blessing

Musical Postlude



## God, we praise you for the morning

Jim Strathdee

God, we praise you for the morning;  
hope springs forth with each new day,  
new beginning, prayer and promise,  
joy in work and in play.

God, we praise you for creation,  
mountains, seas and prairie land.  
Waking souls find joy and healing  
in your bountiful hand.

God, we praise you for compassion,  
all the loving that you show;  
human touching, tears and laughter,  
help your children to grow.

God, we praise you for your Spirit,  
Comforter and daily friend;  
restless searcher, gentle teacher,  
strength and courage you send.

God, we praise you for the Saviour,  
come that we may know your ways.  
In his loving, dying, rising,  
Christ is Lord of our days.

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## Psalm 121

Kee Ann Vermeulen-Roberts

Up the hills I lift my eyes,  
where does my help come from ?  
(repeat)

*My help comes from the Lord.  
My help comes from the Lord.  
My help comes from the Lord.  
My help comes from the Lord.*

He will not let you slip or fall,  
He never rests or sleeps.  
(repeat)

Chorus

The Lord will guide and keep you,  
the Author of creation.  
The Author of creation.  
The Author of creation.

Your life is always in his hands,  
at home and on your way.  
(repeat)

He watches over you,  
He guards you night and day.  
(repeat)

Where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the Lord.  
Where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the Lord.

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## We give thee but thine own

William Walsham How

We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have it thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us,  
to thee our first-fruits give.

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## Come, let us sing to the Lord our song

James Montgomery

Come, let us sing to the Lord our song:  
we have stood silently too long;  
surely the Lord deserves our praise,  
so joyfully thank God for our days.

O thirsty soul, come drink at the well;  
God's living waters will never fail.  
Surely the Lord will help you to stand,  
strengthened and comforted by God's hand.

You dwell among us and cause us to pray,  
and walk with each other following your way;  
our precious brothers and sisters will grow  
in the fulfilling love they know.

Deserts shall bloom and mountains shall sing  
to the desire of all living things.  
Come, all you creatures, high and low;  
let your praises endlessly flow.

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## SPECIAL PRAISE

### The Lord is My Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.  
He makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; he leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,  
and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness  
even for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk  
in death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear none ill,  
for thou art with me, and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished  
in presence of my foes;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint  
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me  
and in God's house forevermore  
my dwelling place shall be.

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## Please *PRAY*

- ◆ For God's healing and pain control for **Joyce Yull**.
- ◆ We pray for healing for **Tom Hunter** as he receives care in hospital for matters related to his recent surgery.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Doris Tuff** and a spirit of perseverance as she recovers from recent surgery on her shoulders.
- ◆ For God's healing for **Ken Hall** as he convalesces at home. May the Lord give strength to Shirley, as she cares for Ken.
- ◆ 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**.

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**CHALMERS ONLINE COMMUNITY COFFEE HOUR:** Join us Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for a relaxed time of fellowship. We are meeting on Zoom, meeting ID 350 336 4073 (this will remain the same each week) and there is no password. Contact Sue at 226-663-4735 with questions.

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**CHALMERS SUNDAY SCHOOL :** Join us online Sundays at 11am following worship. All kids welcome! For login information, [chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com](mailto:chalmers.sunday.school@gmail.com).



### April 18 Equipping Farmers to Thrive

Andrew and Flora successfully grow rice, cassava, maize and groundnuts on their two acres of farmland in Malawi as a result of adopting conservation agriculture practices to help their farm flourish and better cope with droughts. Last year, Andrew and Flora attended Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported training to learn how to rotate crops and protect the soil. In addition to conservation agriculture workshops, they also attended gender training where they learned the importance of working together. With these tools, Andrew and Flora now enjoy the rewards of conservation agriculture.

### SPEAKING OF STEWARDSHIP

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**April 18**  
The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.  
Psalm 24:1

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**CHALMERS VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING:** Join us for a weekly online prayer meeting. We will meet on Webex, every Wednesday evening at 8 pm for about 40-50 minutes. All Welcome!

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**FREE VIRTUAL INCOME TAX CLINIC:** Need help preparing your income taxes this year? Once again, Compass Community Church is offering a **free**, virtual income tax clinic. For an online appointment, please email [taxclinic@compasschurch.ca](mailto:taxclinic@compasschurch.ca).

## LIBRARY NEWS

**The Sugar Baron's Daughters** – by Lisa T. Bergren

### Book 3: Selah

The third book in this series is as exciting as the first two. Selah is the youngest of the three sisters, and is gentle by nature, but living on the Island of Nevis, in the West Indies, on a sugar plantation is inclined to harden a person as a necessity. It is a hard life, of hard work, in a situation where women have their place – and it isn't as plantation owners, and it isn't as people who help their slaves to obtain their freedom, and then hire them as actual farm hands.

Selah works well with the hired hands on their plantation – which sends Angus Shubert into fits of rage whenever he comes into contact with her. Jedediah Reed is a preacher who comes to the plantation to bring his faith to the slaves. Selah begins to get close to Jedediah, until she is in serious danger, and he just feels so helpless that he decides to cool their friendship.

This is another book of fast moving, exciting happenings on a sugar plantation in the 1770's.

Please let me know how you enjoy this series. I loved it!

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Christine Hunter, Librarian

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**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:** At their meeting on March 16 Chalmers Session decided that **online worship will continue for the month of April 2021**. All regular programming at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, save Care & Share, has been suspended and the church and office are **closed**. Mail, Email and phone messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

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**OFFICE HOURS:** The church office remains closed, and with the stay-at-home order, Wendy is only working in the office as necessary. Please call ahead before visiting the church. Wendy can be reached at 519-872-0003 (call or text) or [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca). Messages left on the church voicemail are being monitored.

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