

# Chalmers



## **The United Church of Canada Second Sunday of Easter**

**10:30 am    April 23, 2017**

**Assists** Hearing Devices and Large Print Bulletins, available from Greeters

**Song Books** *VU Voices United*    *MV More Voices*

**Ringers Off** please, on all electronic devices. Thank you.

**Prayers of the People** Prayer requests for persons ill (with permission) and for global, national and local concerns may be left at the Prayer Desk at the south back wall of the sanctuary. These will be brought to the Communion Table with the Offering and included in the Prayers.

For millennia indigenous people have inhabited this land. We gather on the traditional shared territory of the *Anishinaabek* and *Haudenosonee* Peoples, grateful for their historic stewardship.

# Gathering

## COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Light at the Beginning* - David Melhorn-Boe

*stand* MV 50

*Alleluia*

Choir procession

## PRAYER OF THE HEART

*Alleluia*

*stand* VU 265

*Creating God, Your Fingers Trace*

## THE VOICE OF THE CHILDREN

Margaret Moncrieff

*seated Refrain*

**Blow, blow, blow till I be  
but breath of the Spirit blowing in me.**

Words: Miriam Therese Winter. Medical Mission Sisters, Miriam Theresa Winter  
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Children leave for *Spirit Alive* to enjoy the theme of weaving  
a Tapestry of Generosity in Christian Community.

## Word

### Romans 8: 18 – 27

- One I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.
- All **For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God.**
- One For the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it,
- All **In hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.**
- One We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now.
- All **And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved.**
- One Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?
- All **If we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.**
- One The Spirit helps us in our weakness.
- All **For we do not know how to pray as we ought,**
- One But that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit,
- All **For the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.**

*stand VU 272*

*Open Your Ears, O Faithful People*

*Malignancy or Pregnancy*

Rev. Drew Strickland

*Come, You Faithful* - R. S. Thatcher

Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness.  
God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness.  
'Tis the spring of souls today. Christ has burst his prison.  
And from three days sleep in death as a sun has risen.

Now this beautiful season bright with the day of splendour,  
With the holy feast of feasts, comes its joy to render.  
Comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection  
Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,  
Nor the watchers, nor the seal, hold him as a mortal.  
But today amidst the twelve Jesus stood bestowing  
That his peace which evermore passes human knowing.

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## Thanksgiving

### PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

*Light Within* - David Melhorn-Boe

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*stand VU 178*

*Because You Live, O Christ*

### OUR INTENTION

All **We go into the world with a daring and tender love.  
We go in peace. The world is waiting.  
Whatever we do, we do it for love, and  
In the Spirit of Jesus, who is the Christ.**

adapted

The Rev. Dr. Clifford Elliott,

### BENEDICTION

*Sung*

*Alleluia*

*Light at the End* - David Melhorn-Boe

## Gifts Shared

*Light at the Beginning ... Within ... at the End*

The voluntaries for today's worship are improvised on Juliet Huntly's *spirit drum*, made in Canada from a repurposed propane cylinder. The Offertory (... *Within*) and Postlude (... *End*) take their titles from works of visual art painted by the late Reverend Roy Huntly, whose life continues to be a source of inspiration.

**Greeters**        Monika Holzschuh Sator, Ruth Tracy  
**Hospitality**     Outreach Committee  
**Sound Tech**     Eric MacPherson, Daniel Bergeron shadowing  
**Counter**         Wilmer Hill

## Today

This is Eric MacPherson's last Sunday up in the sound booth. He graduated with a MA in Global Development Studies and will be pursuing a PhD in History at McMaster University this Fall.

- **7 pm: Sunday Perspectives**, our monthly film series at the Screening Room, 120 Princess St. Tonight: *A United Kingdom*, the inspiring true story of Seretse Khama, the King of Bechuanaland (modern Botswana), and Ruth Williams, the London office worker he married in 1948 in the face of fierce opposition from their families and the British and South African governments. Seretse and Ruth defied family, Apartheid and empire. Their love triumphed over every obstacle and in so doing they transformed their nation and inspired the world. \$10. Screening Room Members and Seniors: \$8.

Hosted by Chalmers, St. Andrew's and St. Mark's Churches.

## This Week

### Tuesday Apr. 25

- **Noon Discussion Group** meets in Church House, exploring *A New Harmony* by John Philip Newell. Brown bag lunch.

### Thursday Apr. 27

- **1:30 pm: Centering Prayer Circle** in Church House.

## OutReach

### Saturday Apr. 29 Truth and Reconciliation Group

- **10 am - 3 pm: *Opening Paths to Reconciliation***, hosted by Four Winds Presbytery Truth & Reconciliation Committee, at Grace United Church, Napanee. Register with <chris.ingersoll@kos.net>
- **We need 20 Blankets** for our Worship Service, Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>, to present the KAIROS Blanket exercise describing the history of Canada's Indigenous People.

### Sunday Apr. 30

- **Noon:** Our gathering for the presentation and discussion of the United Church of Canada's **Remit 4** will be at Sydenham Street United Church. Qs? Contact our Chalmers' Four Winds Presbytery Representatives: David Holden 613-634-2426 <dholden10@cogeco.ca> or Rosemary MacLachlan 613-549-6008 <rosymaclachlan@gmail.com> or go to [GC42.ca/remits](http://GC42.ca/remits).

### Wednesday May 3

- **11:30 am: *Keeping In Touch*** Service of Communion and Easter Luncheon.

### Sunday May 7

- **Noon – 2 pm: *Being There in a Better Way: Deepening our ability to do Pastoral Visiting***, in MacCallum Hall. A catered Lunch by *Old Farm* is provided. **RSVP or sign up by next Sunday Apr. 30<sup>th</sup>**. Info and Qs? Marilyn Perry 613-548-8462 <djp@queensu.ca> Linda Hutchinson 613-542-7645 <hutchinl@kingston.net>

### Tuesday May 9

- **11:30 am: The Chalmers Sydenham St. Joint Men's Group** gathers for its final meeting before the summer at Mino's Village Restaurant, 1762 Princess St. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion with our ministers the Rev. Drew Strickland and the Rev. Rienk Vlietstra. We will reflect on the past year's program, confirm our Leadership Team, and begin planning for next year. Members of our Group will be contacted by their Team Captains. Wishing to attend or have Qs? Contact Meikle Turner before 7 pm May 7<sup>th</sup> that adequate so that accommodation can be arranged. <meikle\_irish@yahoo.com> 613-542-7744. \$20 pp (tax and gratuity included).

## Pentecost Weekend

### Friday June 2

- **3:30 – 6:30 pm: Jam House Kitchen Party.** Food and Music in MacCallum Hall. Baking bread for Pentecost Communion.

### Saturday June 3

You are invited to join in the **Barndemonium!** at Drew's place. Open House Drop-in all afternoon. Food at Five. Music after. RSVP for supper [NendrumNow@gmail.com](mailto:NendrumNow@gmail.com) 613-876-0118.

### Pentecost Sunday June 4

- **10:30 am:** Worship Service with Communion.
- **11:30 am: Congregational Luncheon and AGM** to consider the July – Dec. Proposed Budget, and the Staffing Proposal of the Chalmers Sydenham St. Joint Committee, approved by the Chalmers Coordinating Council of Elders.

### Saturday June 10

- Chalmers Sydenham St. Truth and Reconciliation Group *First Nations Nutrition Project* Fund Raising Concert, in Chalmers sanctuary.

### Sunday June 11

- **11:30 am:** Picnic in the Park

## Community Life

- **Community Craft Group:** Knitting, Crocheting, making Jewelry, painting Pots ... What crafts do you enjoy making with your hands? We hope to include enthusiastic crafty people from the neighbourhood. Contact: Abby Foote 613-766-6628 <[abigailfoote1@gmail.com](mailto:abigailfoote1@gmail.com)> Mary-Stewart Ross 613-384-0952 <[marystewartross@gmail.com](mailto:marystewartross@gmail.com)>
- **One more Sound Tech is needed !** A paid position. Training is provided. No experience required. Contact: <[office@chalmersunitedchurch.com](mailto:office@chalmersunitedchurch.com)>
- **Please continue to save your cancelled stamps** from home or business mail, especially ones from around the world. The corner of the envelope is all that is required. Our stamp program saves Chalmers hundreds of dollars annually in postage costs. Please place stamps in the box at the back of the sanctuary or drop through the mail slot of church house. Thank you.



Did You Know?

For many years, on Wednesday afternoons, Jane MacEwen has been taking care of our church house and church bulletin boards. If you have posters you wish to display, please bring them to the church house office.

Community Pastoral Caring

Please refer persons in hospital or care facility, ill at home, needing contact or a *Thinking of You* card, to the Rev. Nancy Clarke at home 613-384-4698 or cell 613-532-4431 <revnancyclarke@gmail.com>, or Rev. Drew Strickland 613-546-3263 (ext. 226) or cell 613-876-0118 <drew.strickland@chalmersunitedchurch.com>



Flowers in the Sanctuary are in loving memory of

*our beloved, Joan (Nyomya)  
and her parents, Roddy & Teasie*

from the McGrath family in Kingston, Oakville and Cairo  
and the Kerrs, in Aberdeen.

During March, donations have been made in memory of:

*Tom Challis*

*Margaret Farr*



*Bob Gordon*

*Frances Whitely*

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David Melhorn-Boe, Sabbatical May 1 – July 31, Holidays in August  
Dr. Mark Sirett, Organist and Choir Director, May 1 – July 2  
The Rev. Nancy Clarke resignation, July 1  
The Rev. Drew Strickland retirement, July 1  
The Rev. Drew Strickland, Ordained Supply for July 2 - 30



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**Church House Office:** Monday to Thursday 9:30 am to 4 pm