

# Chalmers Sydenham Street



MidSummer Sabbath . Lammas Thanksgiving . Lughnasadh

## Summer Community The United Church of Canada 10:30 am 30 July 2017

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

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

**Ringers Off** 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 on 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.

### Summer Sundays Worshipping Together

Chalmers joins with Sydenham Street United: August 6 – September 3

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

*Serenata - William Boyce*

## COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INVITATION

*seated*

*Sanctuary*

Flute: Katie Henderson Piano: Joan Egnatoff

**God, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

### PRAYER OF THE HEART

*stand*

*Nicaea Redux*

Tune: VU 315

Guitars: Hassen Butler, Michael Dent, Drew Strickland

**Holy wondrous mystery, birthing all creation,  
Every day your songs arise from nature's harmony.  
Holy, wondrous mystery, breath of our formation,  
Source of all life throughout infinity.**

**Holy wondrous mystery, one in all things dwelling,  
Everywhere in everyone you bring divinity.  
Holy, sacred presence, loving and compelling,  
Living and moving through eternity.**

**Holy wondrous mystery, birthing all creation,  
All your works resound in praise from earth and sky and sea.  
Holy wondrous mystery, glorious revelation,  
Song of all life throughout infinity.**

## Word

**Psalm 90**

A Prayer of Moses

One O God

**All You have been our dwelling-place in all generations.**

One Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or you had formed the earth and the cosmos

**All From everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

One You turn us back to dust.  
For a 1000 years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past.

**All You sweep them away. They are like a dream,  
like grass that is renewed in the morning.  
In the morning it flourishes and is renewed.  
In the evening it fades and withers.**

One You have set our iniquities before you,  
our secret sin in the light of your countenance.

All For all our days pass away before you.  
Our years come to an end like a sigh.  
The days of our life are 70 years or perhaps 80,  
if we are strong.

One Even then their span is only toil and trouble.  
They are soon gone and we fly away.  
So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.  
O God

All Have compassion on your servants.  
Satisfy us with your steadfast love in the morning,  
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.  
Make us glad for as many days as you have given us.

One Let your work be manifest to your servants,  
and your glorious power to their children.

All Let God's favour be upon us.  
Prosper for us the work of our hands.

*stand* VU 218 *We Praise You, O God*

**Deuteronomy 34: 1 – 12**

*Holidays 'n Holy Days*  
Rev. Drew Strickland

## Thanksgiving

### PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

*Bless This House*

Piano: Joan Egnatoff Soloist: Michael Dufault

*stand* VU 518 *As Those Of Old Their First-Fruits Brought*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*stand* VU 595 *We Are Pilgrims On A Journey*

### BLESSING

*Trumpet Tune in D – Norm Giesbrecht*

## Talents Shared

Our thanks to:

**Greeters:** Jean Sills, Jan Trites **Hospitality:** Isabel McLeod  
**Sound Tech:** Daniel Bergeron **Counter:** Jean Sills

**Liturgical Animation Team Communion Table Theme:**  
Rosalie Armstrong, Jan Elliott, Katie Henderson, Faye Irving,  
Susan Irving, Katharine Smithrim

**Flute:** Katie Henderson **Guitars:** Hassen Butler, Michael Dent  
**Organ, Piano:** Joan Egnatoff **Soloist:** Michael Dufault

## It's MidSummer!

**August 1<sup>st</sup>** has all kinds of names and meanings given to it.

Here are a few:

- The 213<sup>th</sup> day of the year in the Zodiac sign of Leo
- **Simcoe Day** Our statutory holiday, the first Monday in August
- **Midsummer Thanksgiving** and the first day of **Autumn**  
Fall begins at the September 21<sup>st</sup> Autumn Equinox.
- **Lammas** From the Old English *hlaf-mas* loaf-mass, in honour  
of bread baked from the first grain and corn harvest of the year.
- **Lughnasadh** The Celtic festival celebrating the god *Lugh*,  
associated with agriculture and fertility.
- **Tisha B'Av** The 9<sup>th</sup> day of the Hebrew month Av. The Jewish  
Feast Day of mourning and remembrance of the destruction of the  
last Jerusalem Temple. The Western or Wailing Wall remains.
- **International Friendship Day** (and Beer Day!)

## Community Pastoral Care

From August 1<sup>st</sup> to September 3<sup>rd</sup> please refer persons in hospital, care facility,  
ill at home, or needing contact, to :

The **Rev. Rienk Vliestra** office: 613-542-9616 (x.203) 613-384-6296  
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### Monday 14 August

- **4:30 pm** A Service of Memorial and Celebration of Life  
for **Edith Matheson** (1922 – 2017) at the Robert Reid Funeral  
Home, Chapel on the Corner. For further information, please visit  
[arbormemorial.ca/en/reid/obituaries](http://arbormemorial.ca/en/reid/obituaries).

## **Joint Needs Assessment Committee**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Report of the Combined Chalmers/SSUC Committee**

The Committee is composed of two representatives from Four Winds Presbytery and four representatives from each of our congregations. Names and contacts are listed below. We are tasked to recommend to our two congregations the attributes of, and proposed position description for, a shared, full-time, Ordered Minister of Word, Sacraments and Pastoral Care.

The Committee met for the second time on Tuesday, July 25. Using the wealth of information available to us (Chalmers Jubilee Reports, SSUC 2016 JNAC process, SSUC Halo Effect Report) we have written drafts of our perceptions of the Kingston community and the ministries and resources of our congregations. We have explored the attributes our congregations have stated are needed in a Minister, and have approached the question of a Called or Interim Minister. We meet again on August 15, and continue to encourage you to contact any member of the JNAC with your questions and input.

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### **Summer Sunday Services**

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## **Fall at Chalmers**

What's upcoming for Young Hearts & Old Souls

**Tuesday, Sept. 5**

**Noon Discussion Group**

Will reconvene in Church House. Brown bag lunch. All Welcome.

**Thursday, Sept. 7**

**1:30 pm:** Centering Prayer meets in Church House

**Friday, Sept. 8**

**9 am-4 pm:** Chalmers participates in Queen's University SHINERA event.

### **The First Sunday of Creation Time, September 10**

**10:30 am:** We celebrate the Sacrament of **Communion** and welcome to Canada five more members of the Hamdan family from Syria.  
David Melhorn-Boe, Minister of Music, returns after his Sabbatical.

### **Tuesday Sept. 12**

**7 pm:** The Coordinating Council of Elders (**CCE**) meets in MacCallum Hall.

**4 pm:** The Hilliker Preaching Lectureship (**HPL**) Planning Committee meets in Church House.

### **Sept. 17**

#### **The Second Sunday of Creation Time**

**11:30 am:** Luncheon in MacCallum Hall

#### **Circles of Companionship and & Pastoral Care**

Chalmers' Pastoral Care Committee introduces a new way of being together in our Community of Faith. We will be divided into small groups based on geography, then invited to join in the Circle of Companionship in our district. Our Small Group gatherings to follow will provide opportunities to enjoy each other, networking, sharing Church information and concerns, and offering lifelong care to one another. Come for lunch to learn more!

### **Sept. 24**

#### **The Third Sunday of Creation Time**

**2 pm :** Sydenham Street United invites all to a **Book Launch and Celebration** of Norm Esdon's recently self-published *Poems for God-Questers*, with introductions of Norm and his work by The Rev. Dr. C. Wayne Hilliker and The Rev. Elizabeth Macdonald. Norm will offer a reflection with a reading of selections from this collection of 123 poems, many of which are published in other collections in the UK and US, and on United Church of Canada bulletin cover backs. The poems are arranged according to the Seasons of the Christian Year with photographs by Norm Edson introducing each Season. Refreshments

and Book Sale to follow. \$25 (\$5 extra for any shipping required)

**5 pm:** Chalmers first Fall **Student Supper** in MacCallum Hall.

### **Oct. 8**

#### **Thanksgiving Sunday**

**10:30 am:** The Sacrament of Communion

### **Saturday Oct. 28**

**The 2017 Hillker Preaching Lectureship** *Singing For Our Lives*.

**10 – 11:30 am:** Music Meet Up with Dr. Andrew Donaldson.

**1 – 4:30 pm:** Two Sessions with Dr. Donaldson in the Sanctuary.

**6 pm:** Chalmers Fall Community **Banquet** in MacCallum Hall, with Andrew Donaldson presenting.

### **Oct. 29**

#### **Reformation Sunday**

**10:30 am:** *Singing For Our Lives* The 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Martin Luther and the Reformation. **Dr. Andrew Donaldson** playing and preaching.

**Nov. 5**

**All Saints Sunday**

**10:30 am:** The Sacrament of Communion

**7 pm:** *Open Hearts* in the Sanctuary with Mac Freeman, David Melhorn-Boe, *FireWeed* and friends.

**Nov. 12**

**Peace Sabbath Sunday**

**10:30 am:** *World War Free* Pipes and Dancers TBA.

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

Fridays: emergencies only.

**Closed in August. Re-Opens Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**