

Chalmers

The United Church of Canada



Rune Before Prayer

*AM bending my knee in the eye of the God who created me,
In the eye of the Spirit who cleansed me, in friendship and affection.
Through Thine own Anointed One, O God, bestow upon us fullness in our need,
Love towards God, the Affection of God, the Smile of God, the Wisdom of God,
The Grace of God, and the Will of God, to do on the world of the Three,
As angels and saints do in heaven each shade and light, each day and night,
Each time in kindness, give us Thy Spirit.*

Fourth Sunday of Creation Time

10:30 am October 1, 2017

Children meet with Hope and Joy Yen.

Hearing Assists 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 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.

Gather

Canzona in G (from Fiori musicali), Girolamo Frescobaldi

COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION

stand *Let All The Creation Sing Forth With Elation*

Let all the creation sing forth with elation
to *Ruah* the Spirit who gives birth to all.
She nurtures and feeds us, while gently she leads us
on pathways of freedom to follow our call.
The mountains and rivers proclaim her the giver
of beauty and blessings o'er flowing each day.
The donkeys and beagles, the monkeys and eagles,
all join her creative exuberant play.

The forests and oceans declare their devotion
to *Ruah* the Spirit of wisdom and power.
The trees clap their branches, and all heaven dances.
The breath of great *Ruah* makes everything flower.
All creatures adore her and gather before her,
with praises they ring from the depths of the earth.
As we join the singing, our gifts gladly bringing,
we help her to bring new creation to birth.

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PRAYER OF THE HEART

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SPIRIT ALIVE – *Children Join Hope and Joy*

ANTHEM

Jubilate Deo, Omnis Terra - Orlande di Lassus

"Be joyful in God, all lands. Serve God with gladness.

Enter God's presence with singing. For this is God."

Psalm 100:1 – 3

Word

Philippians 2: 1 - 11

"At the name of Jesus every knee should bend."

Galatians 3: 26 - 29

Take A Knee

Rev. Drew Strickland

Thanksgiving

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

Toccata in D (from Fiori musicali), G. Frescobaldi

stand MV 169 *When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

stand VU 694 *To Us All, to Every Nation*

BLESSING IN THE LEAVING Susan LaBarr

In the leaving, in the letting go, let there be this to hold onto at the last:
the enduring of love, the persisting of hope, the remembering of joy.
the offering of gratitude, the receiving of grace, the blessing of peace.

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Canzona in C (from Fiori musicali), G. Frescobaldi

Talents Shared

Our thanks to:

Greeters: TBA

Hospitality: Rosalie Armstrong, Francis Rosemary MacLachlan

Liturgical Animation Team: Jan Elliott, Katie Henderson,
Faye Irving, Rosalie Armstrong, Katharine Smithrim,
David Melhorn-Boe, Rev. Drew Strickland.

Sound Tech: Dan Bergeron

Counter: Sue Irving

Today

11:30 am: It's a Party!

Let's celebrate and honour Margaret Moncrieff's ministry.
In MacCallum Hall.

Catered Lunches: Join in a weekly \$5 to \$6 catered lunch by *Old Farm* in MacCallum Hall. Lunch would consist of Salad, entrée or soup/stew and dessert. **Sign up today** on the list at the back of the Sanctuary, or in MacCallum Hall, indicating your preference of Wednesdays or Thursdays. For more information contact Jane MacEwen 613-546-3905.

Spirit Alive Fall Children's Ministry Opportunities

Speak to Hope Yen and Joy Yen

- To share a Story or prepare an activity for the children once or several times for Sunday morning *Spirit Alive*.
- Prepare a craft activity, an art response for children to engage in the sanctuary during worship, the last Sunday of each month.
- Be part of a Planning Group for Chalmers' Community events that include all ages – our annual Advent event, Christmas Eve Children's service.

Shared Ministry News

- **Four Winds Presbytery Joint Needs Assessment Committee** (JNAC) representative, the Rev. Lynda Price chairs the Sydenham Street United Church (SSUC) Congregational Meeting today to receive and vote on acceptance of the JNAC Report and its recommendations, approved by Chalmers Congregational Meeting last Sunday. On approval by the SSUC Membership, we take the next step together in the calling of a new Minister.
- Our Report is now forwarded to the 4Winds Presbytery Pastoral Relations Committee (Chair, Joyce Holden of Chalmers) for consideration at its October 10th meeting. Upon approval the Report is presented to the 4Winds Presbytery Executive for consideration and approval at its November 1st meeting.
- The Report is then presented to the **4Winds Presbytery meeting, Wed. November 15th hosted by Chalmers**, to which all are invited to attend. Following this, the Presbytery declares a Chalmers Sydenham Street Ministry Vacancy and JSC begins its prayerful work of discernment.
- The **Joint Search Committee (JSC)** will consist of four representatives from each congregation, with one from each congregation having served on the JNAC. The Chalmers representatives are Peter Clarke, Al Fletcher and Katharine Smithrim with a fourth member to be confirmed.

October at Chalmers

This Week

Tuesday Oct. 3

- **Noon Book Discussion Group** meets in Church House. Brown bag lunch. All Welcome.

Wednesday Oct. 4

- **1:30 pm: The OutReach Committee** meets at Church House.
- **3 pm:** Gather in Church House for the beginning of the study of *The Greatest Prayer: Rediscovering the Revolutionary Message of the Lord's Prayer*, by Jesus scholar and theologian John Dominic Crossan. Book \$20. Contact facilitator Marilyn Perry 613-548-8462 with any Qs and to indicate you're coming.

Thursday Oct. 5

- **1:30 am: Centering Prayer Session** at Church House
- **7:15 pm:** Choir Rehearsal in MacCallum Hall

Saturday Oct. 7

- **10 am:** Chalmers Flute Choir rehearsal in the Sanctuary.

Thanksgiving Communion Sunday Oct. 8

- **10:30 am:** *The Economy of Grace*

Chalmers-Sydenham Street Joint Worship Committee
The Committee has begun its planning for Shared Worship Services to begin Epiphany Sunday Jan. 7, 2018. Chalmers representatives are **Susan Irving and Barb Fletcher**. Meet with them, after service on Thanksgiving Sunday **Oct. 8th** and after our Joint Worship service at SSUC on Sunday **Oct. 15th**, for an update on plans or to share something you wish them to bring forward to their Committee.

Upcoming

Tuesday Oct. 10

- **An Invitation from Sydenham United Church:** SSUC has been organizing a "Just Lunch" group activity for many years. We invite our friends from Chalmers to attend a Buffet Luncheon at the Opinicon Resort at Chaffey's Locks on **Tuesday Oct. 10th**. The cost will be \$20 (plus HST and gratuity). The meeting point for our trip north, to enjoy the fall colours, will be the 'Park and Ride' parking lot, northeast side of Montreal St. just north of the 401 at 10:30 am. Car pooling will lower our carbon footprint. Contact Meikle Turner as soon as possible at 613-542-7744 <meikle_irish@yahoo.com> if you plan to join us.
- **4:15 pm:** The Coordinating Council of Elders (CCE) Executive Committee meets in Church House.

Wednesday Oct. 11

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

Sunday Oct. 15

- **10:30 am:** We join with Sydenham Street United for a **combined Service of Worship at the SSUC Sanctuary**. There is no service at Chalmers on this day.
- **7 pm: Sunday Perspectives Film Series** at the Screening Room, 120 Princess St., featuring *Lucky* with Harry Dean Stanton. Guided discussion follows seeking connections between the realm of the Spirit and contemporary culture.
Tickets \$10, Screening Room Members and Seniors \$8.
Sponsored by Chalmers United, St. Andrew's Presbyterian, St. Mark's Lutheran Churches.

Monday Oct. 16

- **1 pm: Women of Chalmers Planning Committee** will meet. New members welcome. Contact Jane MacEwen for details 613-546-3905.

Tuesday Oct. 17

- **11:30 am:** The first Fall Luncheon meeting of the Chalmers Sydenham Street Joint Men's Group will be at Mino's Village Restaurant, 1762 Princess St., with speaker **The Rev. Norm Esdon**, a member of our group. Norm will speak on *Why I am a Christian: How Scripture Helped Transform Self-Rejection to Self-Acceptance*. **Men and Women are invited** to attend. Individuals on call lists will be contacted by team captains.

Wishing to attend? Questions? Contact Meikle Turner
613-542-7744 <meikle_irish@yahoo.com> before 5pm Sunday,
Oct. 15 that adequate accommodation can be arranged.
Cost: \$20. per person (tax and gratuity included).

Saturday Oct. 28

- **1 and 3 pm: The Hilliker Preaching Lectureship**
with special guest Dr. Andrew Donaldson. (See back page.)
- **6 pm: Chalmers Fall Congregational Banquet**
with Andrew Donaldson speaking and playing, in MacCallum Hall.

Reformation Sunday Oct. 29

- **10:30 am: Dr. Andrew Donaldson** preaching in Word and Song.
Presbytery Book Sale following service until 1pm in the Hall
- **2 pm: Jazz Concert** in MacCallum Hall.

Community Pastoral Care

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

With Gratitude for Faithful Commitment and Service

Recent Resignations:

Ian Johnston and **Anne Patteson** from the Ministry and Personnel (M&P)
and Joint Steering Committees.

Grace McBride from the OutReach Committee.

Mary-Stewart Ross from the OutReach Committee, Joint Truth and
Reconciliation Working Group, Choir.

David Holden retirement after 25 years as Chalmers' Four Winds
Presbytery Representative.

Our thanks to **Blaney's Flowers** for the flowers in the Sanctuary.

Needed: A Wardrobe and Two single beds or Bunk bed set: for the Syrian
Hamdan family. Please contact Marilyn Braden 613-546-2155.

A Double or a Queen Size bed for a family in need: please contact Carol
in the Church Office 613-546-3263 ext. 222

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Singing For Our Lives

Chalmers United Church
2017 Hilliker Preaching Lectureship
Presents

DR. ANDREW DONALDSON

Composer Lyricist Guitarist Lutenist Teacher Recording Artist

International *animateur* of Global Song Pastoral Musician

Saturday October 28

Free Public Workshops

1 pm Songs of the Whole Inhabited Earth

*"When we sing together we renew our strength. Walls fall down. Prisons vanish.
Life is renewed. Apartheid is dismantled. A dream becomes a reality."*

3 pm Singing Proclamation

*"When we sing together, we give brief life to a world of good things.
We flirt and make love. We settle arguments. We roar out in anger,
Tell our side of the story, Celebrate a victory, Lament a loss, Worship."*

6 pm Chalmers Fall Congregational Banquet
with Andrew Donaldson, in MacCallum Hall.

Buy your Dinner tickets \$30 now from
Joan Simeon, Jane McEwen or the Church Office

Catered by *Old Farm*

Sunday October 29

10:30 am *Singing For Our Lives*. Community Worship Service of
Congregational Song, recognizing the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther and
the Reformation - **Dr. Andrew Donaldson** playing and preaching.

Workshop Registration and Information

212 Barrie St, Kingston ON in the triangle of Barrie, Clergy and Earl Streets
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