

Chalmers and Sydenham Street



Shared Community

United Churches of Canada

10:30 am January 21, 2018

Assists Hearing Devices and Large Print Bulletins, available from Greeters

Children are invited when prompted to meet with Hope Yen and a volunteer for Christian stories and activities. Please meet at the foyer by MacCallum Hall

Washrooms are found in the Clergy St foyer.

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 in gratitude on the shared territory of the *Anishinaabeg* and
Haudenosonee Peoples, as they continue to share their land with us.

Gathering

PRELUDE

Within a Raindrop

Bill Egnatoff
David Melhorn-Boe

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

A Morning Walk

stand MV 374 Come and Find the Quiet Centre

PRAYER OF APPROACH

Prayer for Rain - Linda Wigger Kraft

Bring rain to our parched earth.

Bring peace to our fire hearts, that send dry, hurtful, hateful thoughts and actions out into the world, where they land upon the skin of the earth.

Let our hearts be filled with love, especially now, and may this love become a river of water gently falling from the sky onto dry earth.

Let the soil, plants, and rocks receive this ocean of love.

Let this love flow into the depths to the roots in darkness, so they can bring life to the light, and greening above.

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Word

ANTHEM

In Meeting We Are Blessed - Troy Robertson

Margaret Moncrieff, djembe

We are met together and in meeting we are blessed.

Peace in coming and in going, peace in labour and in rest.

Hold on, dear brother! Hold on, dear sister! Hold on to me.

You are not alone and you never more will be.

I will be with you and I will carry you with me.

Friendship endures and surely we will prove

it's not ourselves, but our bodies that move.

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Children are invited to leave for their activities.

READING

Mark 4: 1-2, 30-32

Faye Irving

Stand MV 144 Like a Healing Stream

INVITATION

On the raindrop inside your bulletin, we invite you to write down something that reminds you of your faith during your day-to-day life outside of Chalmers and Sydenham St. We encourage you to take home your raindrop and hang it in a location that will remind you to take time to "water your faith".

stand MV 143 We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky

SERMON

Sanctuary World

Katie Henderson

Thanksgiving

COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Air de la Naiade (from Armide) - C. W. Gluck

Bill Egnatoff, flute

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...O merciful God, hear our prayer

And in your mercy answer.

LORD'S PRAYER - adapted by Rex A.E. Hunt

Gracious Spirit,

Who loves us like a mother,

Whose realm is blooming among us now.

And within.

We pray that your compassion guide us in every action.

Give us what we need for each day,

and help us to be satisfied with the miracle of that alone.

Forgiver, whose embrace brings us to wholeness without our asking,

May we reconcile ourselves to one another in humility.

And may we cancel the crushing debts that imprison our neighbours

So that communities of joy and health may flourish.

May we neither profit from nor ignore evil.

But ever work to thwart it with non-violence

As we co-create the realm of peace in this world.

Now and each day.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer Text by Rex A.E. Hunt, 2005 © Used by permission.

© By Bret Hesla, published in Nelson-Pallmeyer, J. B. Hesle, 2005. **Worship in the spirit of Jesus.**

Theology, liturgy, and songs without violence. Ohio, Cleveland, The Pilgrim Press.

http://www.rexaehuntprogressive.com/prayersaffirmationscollection/jesusabbapayer/gracious_spirit.html

stand MV 209

Go, Make a Difference

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Mustard Fractal

Bill Egnatoff

David Melhorn-Boe

Talents Shared, thanks to:

Guest Speaker	Katie Henderson
Joint Worship Committee of Chalmers & Sydenham St United	Barb Fletcher, Lynn Freeman, Katie Henderson, Faye Irving, Sue Irving, Mary LeRoy, Victoria Ruthven, Rosemary Thoms, Eileen Woloshyn
Greeters	Mike Hartlin, Faye Irving, Jack Soule
Hospitality	Barb Laidlaw, Jean Sills
Sound Tech	Brigitta Holzschuh
Counter	Joyce Holden

Today

- **Immediately following the service, Sydenham Street will hold its Congregational Meeting in MacCallum Hall.** The agenda will include updates on the search for a new minister, plans for worship, the Spire and presentation (for approval) of the 2018 budget.
- **Following the service, Chalmers will hold its Congregational Meeting in the sanctuary** to approve the 2018 budget.
- **7 pm: Sunday Perspectives is *Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri*** at the Screening Room. In this darkly comic drama, a mother personally challenges the local authorities to solve her daughter's murder, when they fail to catch the culprit. 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.

Worshipping  Sundays Together
Sydenham Street United joins with Chalmers in January
Chalmers joins with Sydenham Street United in February

- **Called by Name: Sydenham St and Chalmers folks are encouraged to wear their name tags at this time of introduction and new hospitality.**
- **2018 CUC Offering Envelopes** are at the back of the sanctuary for pickup. Please notify the Church Office if yours are not there, or if you would like to have Offering Envelopes or give through Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR). Please Note: Some Envelope numbers have changed.

Tuesday, Jan. 23

- **Noon: Book Discussion Group** on *The Greatest Prayer* by John Dominic Crossan, meets in Church House. Brown bag lunch. All ladies welcome.

- **11 am to 1 pm: Prayer Shawl meeting** in the Sydenham St. upper kitchen - come in the alley entrance and take the elevator (up to 3) turn right and you will see the kitchen. Join us for some knitting, crocheting, tea and conversation. Bring a bag lunch along with any prayer shawls you have managed to complete during the fall months and of course your knitting/crocheting. We have lots of donated wool waiting for someone to knit or crochet. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday, Jan. 25

- **Noon: Weekly Lunch** WILL NOT take place today in MacCallum Hall due to a rental. Lunches resume next week. Contact Jane MacEwen 613-546-3905 if you have not yet attended.
- **1:30 pm: Centering Prayer** Circle at Chalmers Church House. Join with others in the practice of the presence of God for clarity of mind, discernment of action, wisdom in decisions and guidance for our path.
- **7:15 pm: Choir Rehearsal** in MacCallum Hall.

Friday, January 26

- **12 pm: Our two church *Just Lunch* programme resumes** at Ramekins Restaurant, 1540 Bath Rd, west of the Frontenac Mall. Order from the menu, pay bill as couples or individually. Pre-registration is required and closes on Sunday Evening Jan. 21st. Contact Barb Carr by e-mail <barbecarr@hotmail.com> or by phone 613-544-4081. For your calendar, our February *Just Lunch* will be on Wed. Feb. 21st. at the Mandarin Restaurant in The Frontenac Mall.

Sunday, January 28

- **7 pm: All are welcome to join the SSUC Movie and Coffee small group!** We will meet at the Screening Room for either of the movies Check the newspaper or the Screening Room website for exact start times. After the movie, we'll gather for refreshments and conversation, probably at Chez Piggy's. Our regular movie night is the last Sunday of the month. Contact Barb Carr for more information. 544-4081 <barbecarr@hotmail.com>

Saturday, February 3

- **6 pm: We will celebrate Ruth Ranson's retirement** more than 12 years as SSUC Church Office Administrator and wish her a happy retirement. Please join us for an old-style Pot Luck Dinner in the SSUC Upper Hall. Lynn and Russ Freeman will be collecting personal donations towards a retirement gift for Ruth, following worship on the Sundays in January. At other times, you may contact Russ on Lynn at 613-544-9703. All are welcome.

Tuesday, February 13

- **11:30 am: *Two Church Lunch and Learn Group*** will be at Mino's Village Restaurant, 1762 Princess St. Our guest speaker will be Marguerite Van Die, Coordinator of the Inter-Church Refugee Partnership. The title of her talk is: *A Story With a Beginning and No Ending: The ICRP and the Resettlement of Syrian Newcomers.* Everyone from Sydenham St. U.C. and Chalmers U.C. is invited to attend. Individuals on call lists will be contacted by team

captains. Others wishing to attend and/or to have their name added to our call list, please contact Meikle Turner at (613) 542-7744 or <meikle_irish@yahoo.com> before 5 pm on Sunday, Feb.11. This is to ensure that adequate accommodation can be arranged at Mino's. The cost for the luncheon, including tax & gratuity, is \$22. per person (a \$20 bill plus a toonie, please).

- **5 - 6pm Shrove Pancake Dinner** in MacCallum Hall
- **6 – 7:30 pm Brownies in CUC Sunday School Room 2nd fl.**
- **7pm Chalmers CCE meets** in Church House

Moving Forward

- **Bulletin Announcements:** if you have announcements for the church bulletin, church inquiries, or updates to information, please send them to <chalmers.sydenham@kos.net> by end of day Monday for inclusion the following Sunday.
- **Greeters and Readers:** We are currently updating our volunteer lists from both Chalmers and SSUC who wish to act as occasional greeters or scripture readers. To add your name to the list, please contact Susan Irving 613-544-3110 or Michael Purcell 613-453-1260
- **The Joint Worship Committee** will be seeking to engage one minister for full-time supply, beginning in February. The Committee has confirmed Ministry and lay leaders in our congregations to lead worship through January.
- **Worship schedule for January at Chalmers:**
January 28 - Norm Esdon
- **Worship schedule for February at Sydenham St:**
February 4 - Bruce Hutchinson
February 11 - Ian Malcolm

Community Pastoral Caring

Chalmers UC: Please refer persons in hospital or care facility, ill at home or needing contact, to Marilyn Perry 613-548-8462 <djp@queensu.ca> or the office 613-546-3263 ext. 222. In addition, the Chalmers Minister Emeritus, the Rev. Dr. Wayne Hilliker, has agreed to respond to urgent pastoral care situations for Chalmers when requested by the pastoral care co-ordinator, Marilyn Perry.

Sydenham St. UC: For pastoral care in the month of January please contact Marylil Megginson <marylil@kos.net> 613-544-9420.



Flowers in the Sanctuary are in Loving Memory of
Roy and David Hudson
and Harry Kushnir (brother)
from Terry and family.

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Chalmers United Church is a community of God's people who embrace Christian tradition and encourage new ideas. We gather to: Celebrate God's love; Search and be challenged; Nurture and be nurtured. We seek to: Welcome all who come; engage all ages in Ministry; be guided by faith in daily life; and be a compassionate, hopeful presence in the world. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. (1997)

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



Sydenham Street United Church as an Affirming Congregation seeks to be a vital faith community within The United Church of Canada engaged in spirituality, justice and creativity, informed by Jesus Christ and the Bible, and discerning the call of the Trinity as we celebrate diversity, inclusivity and abundant life. Indigenous land acknowledgement as stated on the front cover of bulletin.

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