

Chalmers and Sydenham Street

United Churches of Canada

Sharing Worship



10:30 am September 9, 2018

Services in September are at Chalmers United Church 212 Barrie St.

Assists Hearing Devices and Large Print Bulletins, available from Greeters

Children are invited to meet with Hope Yen and Brigitta Holzschuh for Christian stories and activities. Please meet in MacCallum Hall foyer when prompted.

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 will be included in the Prayers.

Called by Name Sydenham St and Chalmers folks are encouraged to wear their name tags.

For millennia indigenous people have inhabited this land.
We gather in gratitude on the shared territory of the *Anishinaabe* and
Haudenosaunee Peoples, as they continue to share their land with us.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Voluntary in G - Henry Heron

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eileen Woloshyn

INTROIT

Receive and Open - MV 155, verse 2

stand VU 697 O for a World

PRAYER OF THE HEART

Source of love: We gather this morning to be nourished by relationship and your Holy Word. We ask that you open our hearts and minds to fresh insight this morning and lead us to whatever part we can play in your will for our community. May we know and transmit both hope and joy. Amen.

Children are invited to leave for their activities.

WORD

Monika Holzschuh

Psalm 125: 1 - 5

One: Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

All: As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time on and forevermore.

One: For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.

All: Do good, O LORD, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts.

One: But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways the LORD will lead away with evildoers. Peace be upon Israel!

Psalm 146: 1 -10

One: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

All: I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

One: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

All: When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

One: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,

All: who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

One: who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;
All: the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.
One: The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
All: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

James 2: 1-10, (11-13), 14-17

One: My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ?
All: For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in,
One: and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet,"
All: have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?
One: Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him?
All: But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court?
One: Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?
All: You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
One: But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.
All: For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.
One: For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.
All: So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.
One: For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.
All: What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you?
One: If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food,
All: and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that?
One: So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

stand **VU 644** *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry*

SERMON

Rev. Kate Johnson

Spiritual Needs on Campus

ANTHEM

Mornings - Carson Cooman

There are, from time to time, mornings both in summer and winter:
mornings when especially the world seems to begin anew.
The world has been recreated in the night: mornings of creation.
It is the poet's hour. Mornings when are newborn,
we who have the seeds of life in us.

Henry David Thoreau (adapted from *Journals*, 1853)

THANKSGIVING

OFFERTORY

Gavotte - Matthew Camidge

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

With this offering, we present also ourselves:
all that we have been,
all that we are, and all that we shall become.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

stand **MV 209** *Go, Make a Difference*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Cornet Voluntary - John Travers

TALENTS SHARED, THANKS TO

Preacher **Kate Johnson** is the Inter-Faith Chaplain at Queen's University since 2013. Her current ministry is focused on food security, post-traumatic growth, issues of equity and the joy of meaningful living. She holds a Master of Divinity from Queen's University with a concentration in Restorative Justice and subsequently worked as a hospital chaplain, a bank custodian and a counsellor at the Canadian Hearing Society before becoming a full-time prison chaplain at Joyceville minimum security institution for five years. Previously Kate studied Social Work and Sociology, specializing in youth corrections, at Lakehead University and worked as a tree planter and homecare provider. She has also worked in youth corrections, supported adults with developmental delay who need a sign language environment and provided case management for post-adoption reunions.

Joint Worship Committee of Chalmers & Sydenham St United

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TODAY

Sunday, Sept. 9

- **SSUC Congregational Meeting:** will be held at noon in the Lower Hall of SSUC. The purpose will be to bring members up to date regarding recent events and plans for the coming months. After the morning service at Chalmers we will proceed over to SSUC. Refreshments will be served.

COMING UP

Tuesday, Sept. 11

- **12:30 pm: Book Group** will meet to discuss a new book *A New Harmony* by John Philip Newell. New readers welcome!
- **11:30 am: Two Church Lunch and Learn Group's** first meeting for this season will be a social potluck picnic at Lake Ontario Park (the covered picnic area). Everyone from S.S.U. C. and Chalmers is invited to attend. We will meet rain or shine and we plan to eat at noon. Please bring a food item to share, plates and cutlery, a *non-alcoholic beverage (if desired)* and a *Toonie per person (for the park rental)*. Coffee and tea will be provided. We hope you will be able to attend.

Sunday Sept. 16

- **5 – 8pm: Youth Theatre Program: Sharing our Stories**, begins on Sunday evenings with a shared meal for the first hour, followed by 2 hours of theatrical work. It is an 8-week, theatrical exploration process, centring on the experiences of the participants and on questions of identity, spirituality and community beginning this fall. We are seeking youth, ages 14 to 18, to participate in this program. We are also seeking adult volunteers to plan and prepare a meal, who would also join us for the meal. This program will happen at SSUC and is free to all participants. It is supported by SSUC, by Faith and Arts Ottawa, and inspired by similar projects in Ottawa. For more info, contact Rosemary Nolan at rosemary.margaret.nolan@gmail.com.

Tuesday, Sept. 18

- **2:30 pm: Pastoral Care Committee** will meet in Church House.
- **7 pm: CCE will NOT meet** but will be meeting in October.

Sunday, Sept. 30

- **5-7 pm: Student Suppers** Chalmers Church invites post-secondary students to an evening of meeting new friends and a delicious home-cooked dinner on the last Sunday of each month. This is our first evening of this term and will be held in MacCallum Hall (behind the sanctuary). Please enter through the Clergy St side door. If you need the accessible entrance, please use the main Earl St. entrance. – just let us know you're coming so we can open that door. To ensure we have enough food, please sign up by emailing Mary at davislittlem@gmail.com. Welcome back, students!

PLEASE NOTE-MOVING FORWARD

- **Contacting Your Church Office by Phone:** As a transitional measure, starting Sept. 10, members of both congregations wishing to reach their church office should call 613-546-3263 ext. 221.
- **Bulletin Announcements:** if you have announcements for the church bulletin, please send them by end of day Monday for inclusion the following Sunday to <bulletins@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com>
- **Reminder to Chalmers' Committees** to ensure copies of committee meeting Minutes are filed in church office and that your binders are up to date. This resource will also be of help to Rev. King.
- **Name Tags: Please take note** There are new Chalmers name tags at the back of the Sanctuary. If you have an old one, please leave it in the basket so it can be repurposed. If your name is missing please call the office and let us know, 613-546-3263 ext. 222.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** As some of you know, Sydenham Street UC has had a Prayer Shawl Ministry for many years, and for the past two, Chalmers members have joined. Shawls have been made for centuries to provide warmth and comfort, and in our Prayer Shawl Ministry, they are symbolic of an inclusive, unconditionally loving, God. Our shawls combine *compassion and the love of knitting and crocheting into a ministry, which reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace, after loss or during illness, as well as those celebrating: a new marriage, the birth of a baby, one's retirement etc. Many blessings are prayed into the stitches.* The group produces a number of shawls every year, and each one is blessed during a short ceremony during Sunday worship. We also make pocket prayer squares, which come with a little note reminding the person who receives it of God's ever-present love in every situation and season of life. If you would like to take a prayer square for yourself or to give, please help yourself from the basket in the back of Chalmers' sanctuary or the basket in the entry hall at Sydenham Street UC. If you would like to receive a prayer shawl, or suggest someone, please contact Rev. King. - The Prayer Shawl Group



COMMUNITY PASTORAL CARING

Needs You!

- With an aging congregation more people look forward to a visit or phone call. Please consider joining our small group of 5 active members who are all over the age of 80. While Marilyn Perry and Doreen Morrison are taking time off this fall we have no one to be the overall coordinator of the Pastoral Care.
- The *Keep In Touch Fall Communion Service and Luncheon*, which many of our shut-ins look forward to, also needs someone to coordinate it. Rosemary MacLachlan will pass over all her papers for you to follow.
- Our next meeting is Tues. Sept. 18 at 2:30 pm in Church House. Come and join us. You can phone or talk with Mike Hartlin @613-542-5883.

For both Sydenham St. UC and Chalmers UC,
please contact Marylil Megginson <marylil@kos.net> 613-544-9420.



Flowers are in loving memory of
Edmund Hartlin
from Mike (Muriel), Kim, Peggy and Sandy

SHARED WORSHIP

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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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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Worshipping Sundays Together

at Chalmers in September and at Sydenham Street in October

Sept. 16: Rev. Barry King, Intentional Interim Minister