



# Sydenham Street and Chalmers

United Churches of Canada

## Sharing Worship

10:30 am      October 7, 2018

The Left Overs of Thanksgiving



## WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION AND THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

**The Rev. Barry King**    INTENTIONAL INTERIM MINISTER

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**Sydenham St.** 613- 542-9616 ext. 203

**Hours:** SSUC WED & THURS 9:30am - 1:30pm

**Chalmers** 613-546-3263 ext. 226

**Hours:** CUC MON & TUES 9:30am - 1:30pm

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.

## HOUSEKEEPING

**Services in October** are at Sydenham St United Church, 82 Sydenham St.

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

**Growing Spirits** Children are invited to meet with Hope Yen and Brigitta Holzschuh for Christian stories and activities. Please meet in the Conference Room, First Floor, when prompted.

**Washrooms** are in the office foyer area through the right front doors of the Sanctuary.

**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 given to a Greeter at the front door.

## OFFICES

**Chalmers and Sydenham St Church House Offices:**

Monday to Thursday 9:30 am to 4 pm

**The Spire/SSUC Office:** Monday to Thursday 9 am to noon

**For bulletin materials please use:** <bulletins@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com>

**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.

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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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**"IF THE ONLY PRAYER YOU EVER SAY IN YOUR ENTIRE LIFE  
IS THANK YOU, IT WILL BE ENOUGH"** – Meister Eckhart

*☞ indicates you are invited to rise in body and spirit as you are able*

## GATHERING TOGETHER

### PRELUDE

Chorale prelude, *Nun danket alle Gott* - G. F. Kauffmann

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

### INTROIT

*Alleluia, Amen* - David Melhorn-Boe

*☞* **VU 518** *As Those of Old Their First-fruits Brought*

### PRAYER OF THE HEART

**All SACRED ONE....**

...from the beginning of time you call us into relationship.  
You call us into communities that are real.  
You are the air we breathe, the color of the trees,  
the bounty of the harvest, the dream of justice.  
As the arms of our hearts fling open to the beauty of it all,  
our voices utter a simple thank-you.  
We give thanks for the places we feel we belong.  
We give thanks for those who help us feel accepted,  
for those who welcome us.  
Receive our confession, or our gratitude, or our concern  
For self or others....hear our silent meditation  
(Silence)

*Children are invited to leave for their programs.*

## A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

### ANTHEM

*A General Invitation to Praise God* - Godfrey Ridout  
Come, oh come in pious lays. Sound we God almighty's praise.  
Hither bring in one consent, heart and voice and instrument.  
Music add of every kind, sound the trump, the cornet winde.  
Strike the viol, touch the lute,  
let nor tongue nor string be mute;  
not a creature silent be found, that hath either voice or sound.  
Come all ye of human race, in this chorus take a place;  
and amid the mortal throng, be you singers of the song.  
Angels of supernal pow'rs, be the noblest tenor yours.  
Let in praise of God, the sound run a never-ending round; that  
our song of praise may find favour with our God divine.

Text by George Wither (1588-1667), alt.

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**All** We open now to Sacred Mystery, to the Holy One, infinitely greater than words can express, whose love for us and all creation exceeds our capacity to imagine. Amen

Luke 17: 11 - 19

Mary Ev Wyatt

**One** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**All** Thanks be to God.

**SERMON**

**"The Left Overs of Thanksgiving"**

Rev. Barry King

🌀 MV 186 *Because Jesus Felt*

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**WELCOMING TO THE TABLE**

**OFFERTORY**

*Offertoire* - J. F. Dandrieu

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS**

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

🌀 VU 538 *For the Gift of Creation*

**PRAYERS OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**One** God is with you.

**All** And also with you.

**One** Lift up you heart.

**All** We lift our hearts to God.

**One** Let us give thanks to the one from whom all blessings flow.

**All** It is good and right to give thanks.

God of this vast cosmos, Incarnate Love, garbed in a blue-green mantle, a floating pearl of great price, we give thanks.

Formed and forged in the expanding shell of this evolving universe, your body - our planet - broke open five billion years ago, spilling out lava-life, steam, bacteria, and the prodigious procession of life, opening, always opening, toward the novel next. Our cup runs over.

This cup of abundance is held up by our Teacher, who emerged, like all, from the womb of this planet, Mary-shaped now.

We hear his words for our day:

"This is my body, assembled over stretches of time by kin-doms of life straining toward perfection: this body of bodies, broken by fear and ignorance but soon to be transformed by my 'yes' into an offering for the new creation the sacred one its birthing."

"And this is my blood, formed by light rivers of galaxies

Running toward and emptying into the sea of Being that coalesced into this vessel of mine, now poured into you, fire of a new emergence - bright and burning love of my sacred heart."

**All: Melt us, O Holy One, so that a new creation might be born from our own lava-lives and we may finally put away the childish things - that keep us from knowing that your love is maturing in the most unlikely of places - in those of us gathered for this cosmic feast.**

**Help us to sell all we think we possess so that we may lay claim to the one thing worth possessing: your wisdom, embodied in a sacred planet, the heart of Christ, crucified, and the resurrected body of Christ, alive and well, in this community.**

*(from, If Darwin Prayed, by Bruce Sanguin)*

So, with all the saints in heaven and on earth,  
We join our hearts in prayer for your church and our world  
We pray for the church of Jesus Christ.  
We pray for the healing of creation and the healing of nations.  
We pray for those who are in sorrow or in pain. (silence)  
We pray for all who live with violence or injustice. (silence)  
Gather the cries of our hearts for your world,  
bringing hope and faith and love into being.  
Send, O God, your Holy Spirit, upon us and what we do here  
that we and these gifts, touched by your Spirit,  
May be signs of life and love to one another, and to the world.  
We join in saying the Lord's Prayer.

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Paraphrased Prayer of Jesus

*We invite you to start with "Our Creator"*

**All: Our Father, Our Mother, Our Holy One,  
May our kin-dom come  
And you will be done here on earth.  
May we find this day the bread we need  
And may we feel forgiveness for our missteps  
And forgive, freely others for theirs.  
May we walk away from temptation and focus on good.  
For yours is the kin-dom, the power  
And the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

Let us break bread together.

**All: Together, we celebrate the festival of our liberation.**

## THE COMMUNION

*Gather at the back of the Sanctuary and come forward down the centre aisle to receive the elements. Communion is received by bread, as well as wafers and juice in individual cups.*

*Please return to your seat by the side aisles. To receive Communion in your pew, please indicate this when the usher arrives at your row.*

## COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All:** Filled with a Spirit that calls us to dwell in possibility,  
We leave this table strengthened with food for our journey  
and a vision of life as it can be: one diverse family,  
living in justice and peace. Amen.

*🌀 VU 706 Give Thanks for Life*

## BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*🌀 MV 209 Go, Make a Difference*                      verse 3 and refrains

## POSTLUDE

*Now Thank We All Our God - Sigrid Karg-Elert*

## TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU TO

**Greeters** Mary Ev Wyatt, Monika Holzschuh

**Hospitality** Vicki Ruthven, Peter Goheen

**Counter** Roger Chown

**Joint Worship Committee of Chalmers & Sydenham St United**

Bill Egnatoff, Joan Egnatoff, Lynn Freeman, Faye Irving,

Mary LeRoy, Ann Patteson, Victoria Ruthven,

Rosemary Thoms, Eileen Woloshyn

## TODAY

- **7 pm: Sunday Evening Music and Reflection Service at Chalmers.**  
For info please contact Mary-Stewart Ross 613-384-0952 or  
<marystewartross@gmail.com> or Grace McBride <grace-mcbride@live.com>.

## COMMUNITY PASTORAL CARING

- **Chalmers Needs you:** With an aging congregation, more people look forward to a visit or phone call. Please consider joining our small group of five active members who are all over the age of 80. Marilyn Perry and Doreen Morrison are taking time off this Fall and we have no one to be the overall coordinator of Pastoral Care. Please call Muriel Hartlin if you can participate in any way or if you would like more information. 613-542-5883.

## COMING UP

### Tuesday, Oct. 9

- **11:30 am: Two Church Lunch and Learn Group** This will be the first luncheon meeting of the new season to be held at the Best Western Inn Bistro Restaurant, 1217 Princess St. (Please note the new location). We will be welcoming The Rev. Barry King, our new Minister, as our speaker. The title of his talk is: *Habitat for Humanity*. Everyone from Sydenham St. U.C. and Chalmers 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 Al Fletcher at 613-546-4785 or <afletcher8@cogeco.ca> *before 5 pm on Sunday, Oct.7*. Please note, seating will be limited in our new venue. The cost for the luncheon, including tax & gratuity, is \$22. per person (a \$20 bill plus a toonie).
- **12:30 pm: Book Group** will meet in Chalmers Church House to discuss a new book, *A New Harmony* by John Phillip Newell. New readers welcome!
- **7 pm: Chalmers CCE** will meet in MacCallum Hall.

### Saturday, Oct. 13

- **6pm: SSUC will host a "Welcome Potluck" for Barry and Linda King** in the Upstairs Hall. Everyone is welcome. If you are able to help with set-up or clean-up for the event, please contact Lynn Freeman <lafreeman16@gmail.com or evenings 613 544-9703. See you there!

### Monday, Oct. 15

- **12 pm: Just Lunch** Our first event for the 2018-2019 church year for Sydenham St. & Chalmers United, is a Fall Colours Car Convoy to Westport. Lunch will be at the Cove Inn & Restaurant, 2 Bedford St. You may meet us at The Cove, or if you would like to take the scenic route to enjoy fall colours, and car pool if you wish, meet in the parking area near the Marriott Hotel at King's Crossing Outlet Mall at 10:15 am for a 10:30 am departure. The Outlet Mall is on the north side of Dalton Ave, (west of Division at the 401 opposite the Empire Theatre complex). Please contact Sylvia Mann at 613-531-9479 or e-mail <kmann30@cogeco.ca> or <meikle\_irish@yahoo.com> by Oct.12th so we can confirm numbers. If you need a ride from your residence, we can arrange a pick up so that you can come along.

### Tuesday, Oct. 16

- **7 pm: Frontenac Heritage Foundation** will be presenting Certificates of Commendation to the Trustees of SSUC and Friends of The Spire at the Renaissance Center at 285 Queen St. The Certificates are for "work that will help in conserving The Spire/Sydenham Street United Church". The Spire/SSUC are amongst several Certificates being presented at the event. Frontenac Heritage Foundation has issued an open invitation to attend.

**Saturday, Oct. 27**

- **Chalmers Annual Fall Banquet** Come and enjoy a delicious roast beef buffet from Old Farm Fine Foods, a glass of wine, the company of friends and a chance to welcome our new minister, Rev. Barry King. All Chalmers and Sydenham Street friends welcome. Tickets are \$30, from Jane MacEwen, Joan Simeon or the Chalmers' office.

**Sunday, Oct. 28**

- **Following Worship: Speaker Rev. Elizabeth Macdonald, Four Winds Presbytery Rep. on the Region 11 Transition Commission:** will talk about and respond to questions on the process in which she is involved since May and the progress that is being made in advance of Jan. 1, 2019. This is the date by which Four Winds Presbytery and Bay of Quinte Conference (along with all the other presbyteries and conferences across the church) will no longer exist and 16 new regional councils will assume responsibility for the oversight and support of communities of faith and their staff, as well as encouragement and support of networks and clusters engaged in ministry and mission in the name of The United Church of Canada.

**Saturday, Nov 10**

- **PeaceQuest** is organizing a national gathering at Memorial Hall to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. The program will feature Paul Rogers, Professor of Peace Studies at the University of Bradford and Global Security Consultant with Oxford Research Group. He is the author of *Why We're Losing the War on Terror* and regular guest on CBC-Radio's *Sunday Edition*. Other guests include John McGarry (Political Studies, Queen's), Shannon-Monk Payne (Sakatay Global), Bianca Mugenyi (The Leap), Mona Rahman (Islamic Society of Kingston) and author Lawrence Scanlan.

**Sunday, Nov 11**

- **PeaceQuest** is collaborating with The Isabel to present the third Remembrance Day event featuring Open Voices Community Choir, the Juno Award winning Okavango African Orchestra, PeaceSong, Kate Johnson, Paul Rogers and more. The music will be backed by the poignant projections of The World Remembers displaying the names of the millions who died on both sides of the tragic conflict. This event was sold out in 2016 and 2017 so get your tickets early. Details and tickets for both events are available from Michael Cooke (mcooke253@gmail.com or 416-209-6156) or at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/imagining-peace-a-peacequest-gathering-tickets-47470466443>



## AN UPDATE FROM THE TRANSITION TEAM

### OCTOBER 7, 2018

The Transition Team is composed of 4 members from each of our congregations, 2 members from Presbytery, and our Interim Minister, Barry King. We meet regularly and our goal is to assist both congregations and the Interim Minister through the next 2 years while discussing and formulating what our future is.

We are committed to ongoing communication, openness, and transparency with our congregations. We want to hear from all of you as to what your thoughts, concerns and questions are. We will be available for discussion with any of you after each church service on Sunday mornings. We really need to hear from you so that we can best represent you in our deliberations.

Since Communication is our primary goal now, how would we do this? We've decided to put out regular updates of our progress. We've also considered small group formats, surveys, email exchanges, and using regular mail and /or phone calls for those who don't have emails. Do you have other ideas for us?

On October 28<sup>th</sup>, Rev. Elizabeth Macdonald will speak to us after church at SSUC, about the restructuring of the organization of the courts of the United Church This is being arranged through the governing councils of both congregations.

There has been a meeting between the Co-chairs of the Transition Team, the Joint Implementation Team, the Joint Ministry & Personnel Committee and the Executive of both churches to discuss our different roles and to try to coordinate our activities so as not to conflict with each other or confuse our congregations. More information will come from these deliberations as we sort things out.

The Transition Team is developing short term goals... what do we need to accomplish before we can determine or begin any transformation process. We've established that communication with our congregations is first.... Please let us know if you have ideas on this.

Blessings.

Mary-Stewart Ross <marystewartross@gmail.com>  
and Deborah Elliott <elliottd33@gmail.com>  
Co-chairs Transition Team

## MOVING FORWARD

- **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](mailto:bulletins@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com)>
- **Reminder to Chalmers' Committee Chairs** to ensure copies of committee meeting Minutes are filed in church office and that your binders are up to date. (some are years behind!) Please verify asap.
- **Contacting Your Church Office by Phone:** As a transitional measure, members of both congregations wishing to reach their church office should call 613-546-3263 ext. 221
- **Booking a Room at Sydenham Street United:** please call 613-542-9616 ext. 201 or e-mail your request to <[thespire@kos.net](mailto:thespire@kos.net)>
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