

# Chalmers and Sydenham Street

United Churches of Canada

## Sharing Worship



Epiphany 8 "Transfiguration"  
10:30 am March 3, 2019

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

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**Hours:** SSUC Wednesdays & Thursdays 9:30am - 1:30pm

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**Hours:** CUC Mondays & Tuesdays 9:30am - 1:30pm

**Church Office:** 613- 546-3263 ext.222

**Hours:** 9:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mon. – Thurs.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**March Services** are at Chalmers United Church, 212 Barrie St.

**April Services** 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 Lynn Freeman for Christian stories and activities. Please meet in Clergy St. foyer when prompted.

**Washrooms** are located in the Clergy St. foyer.

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

**Ringers Off** on 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.

## CHURCHES

**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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**Rentals/room bookings** 613-546-3263 x 222

**Live Online** when at the 212 Barrie St. Chalmers location. 10:30 am Sundays

<www.chalmersunitedchurch.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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## OFFICE HOURS

**Chalmers and Sydenham St Church House Offices**

Monday to Thursday 9:30 am to 4 pm

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

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

Please send announcements by end of day Monday, or late editions by end of day Tuesday for inclusion the following Sunday.

Since time immemorial, Indigenous peoples have occupied and cared for this land. In acknowledging this land, the traditional home of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee, we seek to rebuild right relations with First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples, to learn from them, and to live on this land with respect and gratitude for its bounty.

**"If you can't be happy with yourself,  
you can't be happy with anyone else."**

-a female senior heard advising millennials on Valentine's Day on CBC Radio One

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

**Bold Text** indicates the parts that everyone reads together

## GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

### PRELUDE

*Voluntary in A minor* - Anonymous (18th century)

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

### INTROIT

*Alleluia Y'in Oluwa (Alleluia, Praise to God)*

MV 59 (verse 1 in Yoruba, English)

### GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

Every Sunday we gather to be exposed to  
the bright light of the Holy One's self-giving love.

**And every Sunday we trust that this self-giving love  
might be re-charged in us —**

**transfiguring all we think, say, and do in the world  
on every other day of the week.**

May it be so for all of us this morning.

☞☞ **VU 104** *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding*

### A PRAYER FOR TRANSFIGURATION

Spirit of Self-Giving Love  
you shine that love  
in and through Jesus of Nazareth;  
**Exposed to that light  
we seek what Jesus sought  
that others might see that love  
shining in and through us.**

But we can dim that love,  
obscure it with various veils —  
**fear of change, of the unfamiliar,  
of disapproval, of confrontation,  
of not belonging, of being used;  
mistrust of difference, of the other;  
distrust of promises made,  
of good intentions claimed.**

Keep us exposed to  
your Spirit's self-giving love  
that others might see that love  
glowing in our faces — *unveiled* —  
**shining in all we think, say, and do**  
**so we and our darkly veiled world**  
**might be transfigured**  
**by your spirit of self-giving love. AMEN.**

*Children may leave for their programs.*

## A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

### A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**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.**

Exodus 34: 29 - 35

Al Fletcher

Luke 9: 28-36

2 Corinthians 3: 1 – 4:2

Rev. Norm Esdon

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM

*Alleluia!* - Elizabeth Campbell

### SERMON

### "UNVEILING OUR TRANSFIGURATION"

Rev. Norm Esdon

☯☯ **VU 413** *O Splendour of God's Glory Bright*

## COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

### OFFERTORY

*Voluntary in G minor* - Samuel Long

### PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

☯☯ **VU 82** *A Light Is Gleaming, (refrain only)*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**VU pg. 914** *The Prayer of Jesus*

*You are invited to begin with "Our Creator"*

☯☯ **VU 84** *O Radiant Christ, Incarnate Word*

## SUNG BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

☞☞ VU 416 *Forth in Your Name, O Christ, verses 1 & 2*

### POSTLUDE

*Voluntary in A - William Selby*

## TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU TO

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Norm Esdon
<b>Greeters</b>	Charmaine Puszkas, Mike Hartlin, Dorothy Stewart
<b>Hospitality</b>	James Smith, Wendy Lloyd
<b>Counter</b>	Rosemary MacLachlan

## TODAY

- **PLEASE NOTE: Rev. Barry King has been away on a week's Study Leave** returning Monday March 4. **Those with Emergency Pastoral Care Concerns for both Chalmers and Sydenham St churches,** may contact Marylil Megginson at 613-544-9420, <marylil@kos.net> for assistance during the time Rev. King is away. Worship today will be conducted by Rev. Norm Esdon.
- **Dear ICRP friends in Chalmers and Sydenham congregations,** With contributions from many people, our newest Syrian arrival has a fully-equipped apartment and is enjoying his first days in Canada. Friends are helping him get a SIN, bank account, cell phone, and other essentials for living here. Warm thanks to all who so quickly and generously helped to welcome him. Your Inter-Church Refugee Partnership Committee.
- **Christian Outreach:** A reminder that we need donations of school supplies, hygiene supplies and/or money for the upcoming Mission to El Salvador. Today is the final day for donations. A box for donations will be at the back of the Narthex at Chalmers. Donations of money can be given directly to Mary-Stewart Ross. Cheques should be made out to Edith Rankin Memorial Church (they are leading the mission and will make sure the money gets to the school in El Salvador)
- **7 pm: Sunday Evening services of Music and Reflection continue every week in Chalmers' sanctuary.** For info please contact Mary-Stewart Ross 613-384-0952 or <marystewartross@gmail.com> or Grace McBride <grace-mcbride@live.com>.



Flowers in the Sanctuary are in Loving Memory of  
**Edward Lank** from the family.

## COMING UP

### Wednesday, March 6

- **7 pm: Mindfulness Meditation** is being offered in the upstairs in the North Room at Chalmers United. There is no cost and everyone who would like to learn mindfulness as a practice or who wishes to enhance their practice is welcome to attend. The leaders will be Danielle Brisban MSW, RSW and Grace McBride M. Div., MSW, RSW, both Danielle and Grace have experience teaching mindfulness and the effects it has on dealing with the stresses of life. If you have any questions, please email <grace-mcbride@live.com>. (Note: Please bring indoor shoes or slippers to wear upstairs. Thank you.)

Kingston Community

# Ash Wednesday

March 6, 2019 - 5:00 PM

Our group of downtown churches invite you to join us as we begin Lent together with a short quiet contemplative service at:

St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
263 Victoria St. (at Earl St.)  
Kingston, ON

Hosted by  
St. Andrew's Presbyterian,  
St. Mark's Lutheran,  
Princess St., Sydenham St., and Chalmers  
United Churches

Remember  
that you are dust,  
and to dust  
you shall return.

### Thursday, March 7

- **12 pm: Catered lunches** are served on Thursdays in MacCallum Hall. \$7 per person. Everyone is welcome. If you have not attended but would like to attend, please phone Jane MacEwen at 613-546-3905.

### Saturday, March 9

- **6 pm: The SSUC West End and Far West End Circles of Companionship** are gathering at Martha Clarke's home for a potluck supper. Martha lives at 260 Indian Rd. Please let Martha or Susan Davis know if you can attend.

## Sunday, March 10

- **9 am: Lenten Adult Education Study Group** will be offered at Chalmers United Church, on Sunday mornings in the upstairs North Room. We will be using as our guide Marcus J. Borg's *The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith*. All are welcome and those interested are asked to contact Grace McBride via email <grace-mcbride@live.com> and she will be glad to speak with you and take a pre-paid order for the book or you can order it yourself through Amazon [www.amazon.ca](http://www.amazon.ca) and choose the preferred format. - CDN currency \$10.99 Kindle edition or \$15.71 paperback. (*Note: Please bring indoor shoes or slippers to wear upstairs. Thank you.*)
- **7 pm: Sunday Perspectives at the Screening Room. The March film is *Stan & Ollie*.** Lauren and Hardy, one of the world's great comedy teams, set out on a variety hall tour of Britain in 1953. Diminished by age and with their golden era as the kings of Hollywood comedy now behind them they face an uncertain future. The tour becomes a hit, but Stan & Ollie can't quite shake the specter of Laurel and Hardy's past, the long-buried ghosts, coupled with Oliver's failing health, start to threaten their precious partnership. A portrait of the most tender and poignant of creative marriages, they are aware that they may be approaching their swan song, trying to rediscover just how much they mean to each other. This monthly film series offers an opportunity to explore connections between contemporary culture and the realm of the Spirit, with a brief period of discussion following the screening.

## Tuesday, March 12

- **11:30 am: Two Church Lunch and Learn Group** will meet at the Best Western Bistro Stefan Restaurant, 1217 Princess St. Our speaker will be Rev. Valerie Kelly, St. Luke's Anglican Church, Kingston. The title of her talk is: *Maintenance to Mission: Affordable Housing*. Everyone from Sydenham St and Chalmers is invited to attend. Individuals on call lists will be contacted by email. Others wishing to attend and/or to have their name added to our call list, contact Donna Delyea 343-364-1758 or <delyead@live.com> by 5pm on Sun. Mar.10. Cost for the luncheon, incl. tax & gratuity, is \$22. per person (a \$20 bill plus a toonie, please).
- **7 pm: Chalmers' CCE** will meet in the rear of the sanctuary.
- **Booking a Room at Sydenham Street United:** please call 613-542-9616 ext. 201 or e-mail your request to <thespire@kos.net>
- **Booking a Room at Chalmers United:** please call 613-546-3263 ext. 222 or email office@chalmersunitedchurch.com



**JOIN IN THE  
SHROVE TUESDAY  
PANCAKE SUPPER**

**March 5<sup>th</sup>  
5 - 6 pm  
in MacCallum Hall**

**Adults \$12 Children \$6**

**Toppings galore:  
maple syrup, yoghurt, fruit  
with ham and sausages**

**BEST PANCAKE SUPPER IN TOWN!**

We will need help with serving, cooking and cleaning up. Please contact Joan at 613-545-1099 or <[jsimeon601@gmail.com](mailto:jsimeon601@gmail.com)>.

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Worshipping Sundays Together  
at Chalmers United in March  
at Sydenham Street United in April