



SYDENHAM STREET AND CHALMERS  
UNITED CHURCHES OF CANADA  
SHARING WORSHIP



**MEDITATION: LOW SUNDAY**

10:30 am      April 28, 2019

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**Church Office:** 613- 546-3263 ext.222  
**Hours:** 9:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mon. – Thurs.

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.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**April Services** are at Sydenham St United Church, 82 Sydenham St.

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

**June and July Services** will be at Sydenham St United Church.

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

**Children** are invited to pick up paper puzzles and supplies from Hope to take back to their seats.

**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** on electronic devices, please. 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.

## CHURCHES

**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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## OFFICE HOURS

**Chalmers and Sydenham St Church House Office:** Mon. to Thurs. 9:30 am-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.

I was glad when they said to me: Let us go to the house of God.  
Psalm 122: 1

☞ indicates you are invited to rise in body and spirit as you are able  
**Bold Text** indicates the parts that everyone reads together

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Pastorale - A. W. Leupold*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

### INTROIT

*seated* **VU 179** *Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks* refrain only, sung 2x

### GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

**This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:24

☞ **VU 186** *Now the Green Blade Rises*

### CENTERING PRAYER

[faithandworship.com](http://faithandworship.com)

**We are often not the Easter People that we should be,  
living in certain knowledge of your great mercy and love.  
Distracted by the world around us, we fail to hear your voice  
or hide when faith is challenged as we wander off the path.  
Forgive us, we pray; restore the love that we first had,  
a faith that can endure.**

**We will keep our eyes fixed on you, Lord  
and with you on our right hand we shall not be shaken. Amen.**

### COMMUNITY ART PROJECT

## A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

### A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God, we ask you to open our minds and hearts  
as we listen for your word in Scripture. Amen**

Psalm 150 - *read in unison*

Mary Ev Wyatt

- 1 **Praise the Lord!  
Praise God in his sanctuary;  
praise him in his mighty firmament!**
- 2 **Praise him for his mighty deeds;  
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!**
- 3 **Praise him with trumpet sound;  
praise him with lute and harp!**
- 4 **Praise him with tambourine and dance;  
praise him with strings and pipe!**
- 5 **Praise him with clanging cymbals;  
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!**
- 6 **Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!  
Praise the Lord!**

Gospel Lesson: John 20: 19-31  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church  
**Thanks be to God**

**ANTHEM**

*i thank You God* - J. D. Frizzell

**SERMON**

Meditation: Low Sunday

Marylil Megginson

☞ **VU 168** *The Risen Christ*

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

**OFFERTORY**

*Offertory* - A. W. Leupold

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS**

☞ **VU 540** *Grant us, God, the Grace*

**MINUTE FOR AFFIRMING CELEBRATION**

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

Our Father, Our Mother, Our Holy One,  
May our kin-dom come  
And your 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

☞ **VU 178** *Because You Live, O Christ*

**SENDING FORTH AND SUNG CHORAL BLESSING**

☞ **MV 222** *May the Peace of God Be Your Peace*

**POSTLUDE**

*Easter Hymn* - J. G. Walther

TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU

<b>Leader</b>	Thank you to Marylil Megginson for leading us in worship this morning.
<b>Greeter</b>	Mary Ev Wyatt
<b>Hospitality</b>	Catherine Purcell, Diane Soule
<b>Counter</b>	Douglas Smith

## Today

- **12 pm: Lenten Adult Education Study Group** is being offered at Chalmers United Church, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, on Sunday mornings following service. We will be using Marcus J. Borg's *The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith* as our guide. All are welcome and those interested are asked to contact Grace McBride via email <grace-mcbride@live.com> (*Please bring indoor shoes or slippers to wear upstairs.*)
- **5 pm: Student Supper** will be held in Chalmers' MacCallum hall and will be the final supper until September.

## Congregational Art Project

- **On Sundays from now until Pentecost** (June 9), both congregations will be creating a woven cloth for our communion tables, that will be an expression of our faith, and a symbol of weaving together our worship services. You will be invited to come forward and write, on part of a strip of fabric, words from Scripture, a prayer, a favourite hymn, etc. The strips will then be woven into the cloth. Our hope is to create together a beautiful and intriguing statement of working together to express our faith!

## Sunday, April 28th

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

## Tuesday, April 30, 2019

- **11 am to 1 pm: Prayer Shawl meeting** at SSUC in the upper 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 winter and of course your knitting/crocheting. I am hoping there will be a blessing of the prayer shawls at a Sunday Service in early May. We have lots of donated wool waiting for someone to knit or crochet. Everyone is welcome!

## Wednesday, May 1

- **7 pm: Mindfulness Meditation** is being offered upstairs in the Round 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 are 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>.

## Thursday, May 2

- **12 pm: Catered lunches** which include a hot entrée, salad, dessert and tea and coffee are served every Thursday 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.

### Sunday, May 5

- **2 pm: Join the Kingston Choral Society** for *All Together Different*, at The Spire - traditional and contemporary choral music fused with the fluidity of jazz, featuring Jonathan Stewart (saxophone), Marianne Trudel and Clare Miller (piano).

### Monday, May 6

- **12 pm: SSUC Just Lunch:** Members and friends of Sydenham Street and Chalmers are invited to come to either (or both) of our SSUC gatherings on May 6 and June 11. May 6 will take place at The Greek Islands Restaurant on the Bath Rd. north side between the Salvation Army Thrift Store & Portsmouth Ave. Please register with Meikle Turner 613-542-7744 email <meikle\_irish@yahoo.com> by 6 pm on Sunday, May 5.

### Thursday, May 9

- **11:30 am: Keeping in Touch Service of Communion and Luncheon** at Chalmers. Following the service, there will be a catered luncheon combined with the regular Thursday Lunch group.

### Sunday, May 12

- **Sunday Perspectives** at the Screening Room showing *Amazing Grace*. A documentary presenting the live recording of Aretha Franklin's album *Amazing Grace* at The New Bethel Baptist Church in Watts, Los Angeles in January 1972. "*It will make you feel as if you've seen the face of God.*" *Sunday Perspectives* is a monthly series that offers an opportunity to explore connections between contemporary culture and the realm of the Spirit, with a brief period of discussion following a screening of a specially-selected contemporary film. All are welcome to attend and participate. Hosted by St. Andrew's Presbyterian, Chalmers United, St. Mark's Lutheran and St. Luke's Anglican.

### Tuesday June 11

- **12 pm: SSUC Just Lunch** at Rockport, past the 1,000 Islands Bridge. Note: A car convoy & car-pooling *option* will be available for this location. Please register with Meikle Turner 613-542-7744, email <meikle\_irish@yahoo.com> by 6 pm June 9.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Chalmers needs a new Transition Team member:** There should be four from each of Chalmers and Sydenham Street and Chalmers needs to entice one more member to be even. The Transition Team plays a vital and prescribed role in this period of interim ministry: members work collaboratively with our Intentional Interim Minister, Rev Barry King, "to implement agreed upon goals and guide the community of faith in the process of determining its future mission." For more information, or if you are interested in joining, in your role as part of this essential and enthusiastic team, please contact a current Chalmers team member: Al Fletcher <afletcher8@cogeco.ca>, Monika Holzschuh <monika.holzschuh@queensu.ca>, Rosemary MacLachlan <mmlachlan@cogeco.ca> or Barry King <barry.king@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com>.

- **Looking for a room:** "I'm a Master's of Divinity student at the United Theological College in Montreal, and I'm going to be in Kingston this summer (from early May through late July) for Supervised Pastoral Education at Providence Care, as part of my education for ministry. I don't have many connections in Kingston, and so I've been having some difficulty in finding affordable housing. Would any of your members would be interested in taking on a low-cost boarder for the summer, or need a house-sitter, or anything similar"? Thank you for your consideration! Please let me know if I can provide any further information. Hannah Bailey <hannah.lynn.bailey@gmail.com>  
Sincerely, Hannah Bailey



It is with sadness that we announce the deaths of:

**Esther Mahaffey,**

on April 13, 2019, a long-time Chalmers' member.  
and

**Peter Carlson,**

on April 15, 2019, a long-time member and former Moderator of Chalmers. A private family burial took place on Saturday, April 20. A public Celebration of Life will occur at a later date.

### Worshipping Sundays Together

at Sydenham Street United in April and at Chalmers United in May  
then at Sydenham Street United for June and July

### Pastoral Care Emergencies

Rev. Barry King is away on study leave from April 22nd - 28th.  
Please contact: Marylil Megginson for Pastoral Care emergencies.  
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