



SYDENHAM STREET AND CHALMERS  
UNITED CHURCHES OF CANADA  
SHARING WORSHIP



**OH!..IT'S FAMILY BUSINESS**  
(on living a new story)

10:30 am September 29, 2019

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**Open:** 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

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

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

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

**Growing Spirits** Children are invited to meet with Hope Yen and Lynn Freeman 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** 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 9:30am-4:30pm

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

**For bulletin materials please use: [bulletin@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com](mailto: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.

**“Life is a series of collisions with the future;  
it is not a sum of what we have been but what we yearn to be”**

Jose Ortega y Gasset

*☞* 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

*Tranquilly* - C. H. H. Parry

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

### INTROIT

*seated* **VU 295** *The Earth and All Who Breathe*

verse 1

### GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

We come to re-weave the unraveling fabric of community  
to re-connect once more with the larger human family.

**To find once more that place of calm.**

**To remind ourselves that we belong and to remember  
what it is we belong to.**

We come –

**to centre ourselves, to open ourselves, to remember  
ourselves. And to remember the life we share together.**

*☞* **VU 603** *In Loving Partnership*

### CENTERING PRAYER

**Holy One, we thank you for not letting us go.**

**You will not give us over to whatever it is within us  
that contracts from creation's dream for us.**

**When we flee, with Jacob, from our past, you bring it forward  
placing our fears before us, making them messengers of grace.**

**When we flee from the present, you call to us from burning  
bushes and the radiance of now.**

**When we cower in the face of the future, you beckon us  
beyond the limits of our imaginations, to see Vision's logic.**

**As we gather for worship, we prepare to meet you,  
Loving Challenger, in the past, present, and the future  
of our lives, even if it means leaving with a limp. Amen**

*Children may leave for their programs.*

## 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.**

Amos 6: 1-7

Susan Irving

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church  
**Thanks be to God**

### ANTHEM

*All of Creation Is a Song of Praise* - Wayland Rogers

### SERMON

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 **MV 144** *Like a Healing Stream*

## COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

### OFFERTORY

*En forme de canon* - Théodore Salomé

### 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 & 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**



*We Would Be One*

Words: Samuel A. Wright, Tune: Finlandia

1. **We would be one as now we join in singing  
our hymn of love, to pledge ourselves anew  
to that high cause of greater understanding  
of who we are, and what in us is true.  
We would be one in living for each other  
to show to all a new community.**
2. **We would be one in building for tomorrow  
a nobler world than we have known today.  
We would be one in searching for that meaning  
which binds our hearts and points us on our way.  
As one, we pledge ourselves to greater service,  
with love and justice, strive to make us free.**

**SENDING FORTH AND SUNG CHORAL BLESSING**



**VU 295** *Creation Now Awaits*

verse 3

**POSTLUDE**

*Toccata and Fugue* - Anonymous

Italian, 18th c.

**TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU**

**Greeter**

**Hospitality**

Vicki Ruthven, Diane Soule

**Counter**

Joan Simeon

**TODAY**

**Breaking Bread and Sharing Stories:** will take place today following the service for members of both congregations to attend, hosted by the Transition Team. This will provide an opportunity for all of you to get to know each other over a meal. Please mark your calendars so you will be able to attend **Sun. Oct. 27** as well. **Please RSVP** by email to Rev. King: [barry.king@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com](mailto:barry.king@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com) or sign up on the sheet in the Hall.

## COMING UP



- **Suggested Reading:** The CCE would like to share with you that they will be spending some time at each Council meeting over the next few months spending some time reading and discussing what we learn from the book—*Promise and Peril: Understanding and Managing Change and Conflict in Congregations*. As congregants you are also encouraged if you wish, to read this book so you might learn what wisdom it offers us at this time in our lives. The book is available online in Kindle or paper-back on Amazon.ca and Chapters/Indigo bookstore. Price \$27.69
- **Choir Rehearsals** take place on Thursday evenings at 7:15 pm. Rehearsals during October will be held at Chalmers United Church in MacCallum Hall. Anyone high school age or older who loves to sing and has at least basic sight-reading skills is welcome. For more info, please contact David Melhorn-Boe, 613-546-3264.
- **Chalmers' Book Table** If you have enjoyed some reading this summer and would like someone else to have the same pleasure, please consider donating your book(s) to the Chalmers' Book Table found in the foyer by MacCallum Hall. It would be appreciated. Thank you.

### Saturday, Sept. 28

- **9 - 11am: Flute Choir** Thanks for all your great playing last season. I hope you've had a restful and enjoyable summer. We will continue to rehearse again this Saturday, at Chalmers. As in the past, I'll be there at 9 a.m. for anyone who'd like any extra time, and the full group will begin at 10, ending at 11. We'll meet weekly except on the Saturdays when I'm away. Hope has offered to look after rehearsals on some of my absences as she's able. Finally, if any of you knows of another flute player who might be interested, please invite them and let me know. Bill Egnatoff 613-634-3341

### Sunday, Sept. 29

- **7 pm: SSUC Movie and Coffee small group!** All are welcome to join us. We will meet on Sunday, Sept. 29th at the Screening Room for your choice 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

### Sunday, Oct. 6

- **12 pm: An SSUC Congregational Meeting** will be held in the Lower Hall at SSUC. An update on current activities, as well as information about our split budget will be presented. Please walk over after the service at Chalmers and attend. Refreshments will be available.

### Tuesday, Oct. 8

- **11:30 am: Two Church Lunch and Learn Group** meetings will begin this fall at the Best Western Bistro Stefan Restaurant, 1217 Princess St. Our speaker will be Public Health Nurse, **Cathy Edwards** from KFL&A Public Health, speaking on **Ontario Under the Influence: Current Trends and Challenges in Alcohol Policy**. Everyone from Sydenham St and Chalmers and your friends are invited to attend. Those who have signed up for e-mail notices will receive an invite by e-mail. Those who are on a phone call list will continue to be called. If you wish to attend, please contact Meikle Turner at 613-542-7744 or meikle\_irish@yahoo.com. Meal reservations must be made by 5 pm on Sun. Oct. 6. Cost for the luncheon, including tax & gratuity, is \$22. per person (a \$20 bill plus a toonie, please). Please mark your calendars for the next two meetings this fall: Nov. 12, Barb Carr, local artist and member at SSUC speaking on "Behind the scenes at the Kingston School of Art" and Dec. 10, Don Amos who will speak on "Seniors Association: We're more active than you think!"
- **4 pm: Chalmers' CCE** will meet in MacCallum Hall **\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE** the change in time and location.\*\*\*

### Tuesday, Oct. 15

- **12 pm: "Just Lunch" Group** YOU are INVITED to join us for our first gathering of the 2019-20 Church Year. This event is sponsored by SSUC but open to everyone. We have booked The Cove Restaurant in Westport for noon. We order from the menu and pay our own bills. As this is intended to be a **Fall Colours Experience** we offer a car convoy *option* departing at 10.30 am from The Parking Lot beside the Marriott Hotel at The King's Crossing Outlet Mall off Division St and Dalton Ave. opposite The Landmark Cinemas Complex. We will drive north on Montreal St through Battersea and follow Burnt Hills Rd to Highway 15, then north to the turn off to Westport via Newboro (Route 40). Car Convoys also allow us to car pool, (if you wish to do so), to reduce our carbon footprint! As the Cove Restaurant requires a "head count" please register with Meikle Turner by e-mail to meikle\_irish@yahoo.com or tel 613-542-7744 before 5 pm, Sunday Oct.13<sup>th</sup>.

### Oct. 21-23

- Fair Trade Sales Table and Books available during the Queen's Annual Theology Conference at Crossroads United Church, 690 Sir John A. MacDonald Blvd. Monday 1-7pm, Tues 9am-9pm, Wed. 9-11am  
Ministry in Time of Fear: Moving to Resilience and Renewal

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHALMERS' MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chalmers needs to find volunteers to form a Ministry and Personnel Committee. If you are interested, please have a look at two documents related to

Ministry and Personnel on the United Church of Canada's website: [www.united-church.ca](http://www.united-church.ca)  
*Ministry and Personnel Committees: Policy, Procedures, Practices*  
(January 2019)

*Ministry and Personnel Committees: Resources for Ministry and Personnel Committees* (January 2019)

Volunteers will be expected to read both manuals and then sit down for an interview. If you are interested, please contact either Lynne Clarke ([clarkelc@icloud.com](mailto:clarkelc@icloud.com)) or Bob Little ([rlittle@cswan.com](mailto:rlittle@cswan.com)).



**THANK YOU . . .** to all who came to worship to learn and talk about being Public, Intentional and Explicit in Affirming Ministry

- to all who helped prepare for and participate in worship in every way.
- to all who came to eat delicious pies and continue the conversation
- to all who donated money to raise \$514 for the SSUC Benevolent Fund
- to all who donated pies
- to all who helped with set-up and clean-up

**YOU ARE ALL APPRECIATED !**

**To view the video** shown last Sunday, please Google:  
<https://pieday.ca/> then click on National Affirming Day and The Pie Video

### Worshipping Sundays Together

at Sydenham St in September, then at Chalmers United in October