



SYDENHAM STREET AND CHALMERS
UNITED CHURCHES OF CANADA
SHARING WORSHIP



AFFIRMING MINISTRY SUNDAY

10:30 am September 22, 2019

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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

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 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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Facebook.com/chalmersunited

Live Online when at the 212 Barrie St. Chalmers location. 10:30 am Sundays
<www.chalmersunitedchurch.com>

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

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

AFFIRMING MINISTRY SUNDAY

 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

Morning Walk - Alexander Gretchaninov
Green Grass

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

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INTROIT

seated **VU 295** *The Earth and All Who Breathe* verse 1

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

All people are equal before the Divine spirit of our Creator.

We each have a spark of the Divine within us.

May we seek and find the spark of the Divine within us.

May we feel the presence of the Divine as we gather here.

May we seek and find our best selves with the help of the Divine within us.

May we find the courage to live with integrity; the strength to help those who need our support; the compassion to forgive those whose prejudice overcomes their love.

May we seek and find love with the help of the Divine within us.

May the Divine nurture our relationships, our families, and our communities.

 **VU 639** *One More Step Along the World I Go*

CENTERING PRAYER

VU page 861 Psalm 139 (*responsive*) first & third sections

Children's Time with Linda and Bruce.

A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

ANTHEM

God of Harmony and Beauty - David Schwoebel

POETRY READING

Stringing Me a Line

Meikle Turner

☞ MV 138 *My Love Colours Outside the Lines*

AFFIRM UNITED VIDEO PRESENTATION

P.I.E.

Public-Intentional-Explicit

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERTORY

A Flower Idyl - Edward MacDowell

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

seated VU 948 *O God Hear my 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

seated VU 948 *O God Hear my Prayer*

☞ *We Are A Rainbow* - David Kai (*all sing*) Tune: Slocan

We're the light of all the world, we are a city on a hill,
We're a candle on a stand proclaiming light,
We will not hide our lamp beneath a bushel anymore,
We will shine a ray of hope that's burning bright.

Chorus

We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace,
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be,
Come shine your rainbow,
Splash your hues across the sky,
Paint the world in colours proud and bold and free.

We're a coat of many colours,
Sewn from many different threads,
Covering all in warmth, in welcome and in grace,
God said "Let there be light", created every varied shade,
In the rainbow each of us can find a place.

Chorus

We are hope to still believe in tomorrow's better day,
We are peace in a world that's torn apart,
We are joy that will last in all the struggles that we face,
We are love that blooms and grows in every heart.

Chorus

When we face the storms of life, we will never be alone,
For our God will be with us on the way,
Hand in hand side by side,
We won't be frightened any more,
As the mourning night of tears breaks into day.

Chorus

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SENDING FORTH AND SUNG CHORAL BLESSING



VU 295 *Creation Now Awaits*

verse 3


POSTLUDE

Dance in the Garden - Dmitri Kabalevsky

TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU

Greeters	TBA
Hospitality	Mary LeRoy, Diane Soule
Counter	Sue Irving

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 to purchase online in Kindle or paper-back on Amazon.ca and Chapters/Indigo bookstore. Price \$27.69 
- **Choir Rehearsals** have resumed on Thursday evenings at 7:15 pm. Rehearsals during September will be held at Sydenham Street United Church in the Upper Hall. Anyone high school age or older who loves to sing and has at least basic sight-reading skills is welcome. For further 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.
- **Seeking a sewing machine for a highly skilled newcomer.** Do you have a spare sewing machine that needs a good home? KEYS is looking for a used sewing machine that is of good quality and not in need of repair for a recent single-arrival refugee. This newcomer is highly skilled with clothing design and construction, tailoring, intricate embroidery, and more. This person already has people interested in buying his creations but he cannot afford to buy a sewing machine at this time. If you have a spare sewing machine, please consider donating it to this person with a promising future. Please contact the church office. 613-546-3263.

Saturday, Sept. 21

- **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

Friday, Sept. 27

- **5:30 pm: The SSUC West End and Far West End Circles** are gathering for a potluck supper at the home of Diane and Jack Soule, 66 Glenora Drive in Bath. Directions will follow in an email.

Sunday, Sept. 29

- **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 information. 544-4081 barbecarr@hotmail.com

BREAKING BREAD AND SHARING STORIES

The Transition Team will be hosting two luncheon events for members of both congregations to attend. 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 both of these. **Sun. Sept. 29 and Sun. Oct. 27** - Breaking Bread and Sharing Stories - **please RSVP** by email to Rev. King: barry.king@chalmers-sydenhamstreet.com or sign up on the sheet in the Hall

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
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) or Bob Little (rlittle@cswan.com).

STRINGING ME A LINE

Norm Esdon

As a *colour-within-the-lines* child,
under a *follow-the-rules* father,
within a *stick-to-the-path* culture,
I thought I'd only one choice:
 pick the path among the many
 laid out already — paths
 that all generations before
 have trod, have trod, have trod.

No one had ever told me,
(and thus I'd never known),
I could colour outside the lines,
— or even draw my own —
until the day I tried it myself,
 and drew
 a whole new
 me.



Join us for a delicious Pie Luncheon in the Lower Hall following worship

Proceeds from the suggested donation of \$6.00 - or more if you wish
☺ - will be given to SSUC's Tuesday morning food voucher program.
Everyone is welcome!



Since April 2019, donations have been made in memory of
Charles Campling Millard Schumaker
Peter Carlson Lily Yen
Susette Pearson

WORSHIPPING SUNDAYS TOGETHER
at Sydenham Street United in September
then at Chalmers United in October