



SYDENHAM STREET AND CHALMERS
UNITED CHURCHES OF CANADA
SHARING WORSHIP



**CALLED TO BE THE CHURCH
"AN INVESTMENT IN HOPE"**

10:30 am November 24, 2019

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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

November Services are at Sydenham St United Church, 82 Sydenham St.

December 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: Tuesday to Thursday 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.

"The thing about light is that it really isn't yours;
it's what you gather and shine back.
And it gets more power from reflectiveness;
if you sit still and take it in, it fills your cup,
and then you give it off yourself." Anne Lamott

REIGN OF CHRIST 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

Vater unser im Himmelreich - Dietrich Buxtehude
(Our Father who art in Heaven)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF PRAYER CANDLES FOR CHALMERS AND SYDENHAM STREET

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

INTROIT

seated **MV 173** *Put Peace into Each Other's Hands* verse 1

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

We are called to celebrate and worship, not just
by words spoken, but also by miracles recalled:
a baby's first cry, the petals of a rose, mist-covered hills,
the restless tides of the seas, human love, human hope.
We respond, with gratitude, with joy, with wonder,
at life's boundless possibilities.

☞☞ One in Love, We Meet Together
One in love, we meet together, one in time, and never apart.
We in flesh as brother, sister makes us one in mind and heart.
All incarnate, we would offer, all we most sincerely prize,
Learning though traditions differ how they join to make us wise.
One in outlook, always searching not to bind in common creed,
As a people, be more ready to respond to other's need.
Here we are so finely fashioned, understanding, here to serve,
Never narrow in compassion, empathy without reserve.
As in Christ, may we discover that to give is to receive,
that in God the good is present, ever, always we perceive.
Not by chance the world's creation,
not by chance was life begun,
God is love and our vocation is to love til love is won.

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CENTERING PRAYER

SACRED ONE....

...from the beginning of time you call us into relationship.

You call us into communities that are real.

We come this day to be transformed to nurture
a stewardship way of life for all our days.

May we become salt and light that helps to create beams
of compassion, community and hope.

We give thanks for places where 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 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.

2 Corinthians 8: 1-15

Meikle Turner

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
hanks be to God

ANTHEM

Go Out in Joy - Eugene Butler

SERMON

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 **MV 154** *Deep in Our Hearts*

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

Why I Give

Peter Goheen

OFFERTORY

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling - Healey Willan

Hyfrydol -Welsh hymn tune

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS



MV 143 *Abundant Life*

verse 3

God calls humanity to join as partners in creating
a future free from want or fear, life's goodness
celebrating, that new world beckons from afar,
invites our shared endeavor
that all may have abundant life and peace endure forever.

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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 420 *Go to the World*

SENDING FORTH AND SUNG CHORAL BLESSING



MV 173 *Put Peace into Each Other's Hands*

verse 3

POSTLUDE

Nun lob mein Seel den Herren - Dietrich Buxtehude
(Now Praise the Lord, O my Soul)

TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU

Greeter	Meikle Turner
Hospitality	Vicki Ruthven, Jan Bryant
Counter	Sue Irving

TODAY

- **SSUC SOUP LUNCHEON** The Social Justice and Outreach Committee will be hosting a Soup Luncheon to celebrate the conclusion of our autumn Stewardship campaign. Please plan to attend and enjoy delicious homemade soups, rolls and desserts. As is our practice we encourage you to contribute \$6.00; all monies received at lunch are used to help fund our Tuesday morning food voucher program. This ministry helps to feed our neighbours who are hungry; it is made possible not only because of your financial support but also because volunteers in our congregation dedicate their time to meet with those in need weekly from September through June. These same volunteers help to organize and prepare the Christmas baskets to which many in our congregation contribute food, money and labour as an expression of good will to our needy fellow citizens at this holy season. We hope to share lunch with you on the 24th. We will be delighted to receive squares for dessert, as usual. Thank you. Social Justice and Outreach Committee. 
- **Last Sunday, Nov. 17th was indeed a rainbow Sunday as SSUC** celebrated 20 years of being Affirming! We are filled with gratitude for all who helped to make the day a heart-warming experience . . . those who came in all colours of the rainbow to worship together, those who graciously participated in the service including our guest speakers Ruth and Anne Wood and those who along with Rev. Barry planned and prepared for the service and refreshments. We are blessed!
- **7 pm: SSUC Movie and Coffee small group:** All are welcome to join in. We will meet 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. 613-544-4081 barbecarr@hotmail.com
- **2020 Canadian Church Calendars:** 4 copies are for sale, \$6 each, see Linda Hutchinson hutchinl@kingston.net 613-542-7645 or on Sunday

COMING UP

- **Choir Rehearsals** take place on Thursday evenings at 7:15 pm. Rehearsals during November 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.

Monday, Nov. 25

- **12 pm: Just Lunch** sponsored by SSUC, but open to all members and friends of both congregations, will be at The Greek Islands Restaurant on the north side of Bath Rd, just past the Salvation Army Store and east of Portsmouth Ave. We gather at noon, and order individually from the lunch menu. We need to give the restaurant a good estimate of numbers so please RSVP to Meikle Turner at 613-542-7744 or by e-mail to meikle_irish@yahoo.com by 5 pm today.

Tuesday, Nov. 26

- **11 am to 1 pm: Prayer Shawl meeting** in the Sydenham St. 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 and of course your knitting/crocheting. We have lots of donated wool waiting for someone to knit or crochet. Everyone is welcome! More information: Sue Doerksen, 613-766-3254 sdoerksenca@yahoo.ca.

Thursday, Nov. 28

- **12 pm: This week a catered luncheon will follow the Keeping In Touch Communion Service** in Chalmers' MacCallum Hall. Everyone is welcome. If you have not attended but would like to attend, please phone Jane MacEwen at 613-546-3905.

Saturday, Nov. 30

- **9 – 11 am: Flute Choir** rehearses at Chalmers in MacCallum Hall. Anyone who'd like any extra time can meet me at 9am. The full group will begin at 10. We meet weekly. If you know of another flute player who might be interested, please invite them and let me know. Bill Egnatoff 613-634-3341

Tuesday, Dec. 10

- **11:30 am: Hold the date for the Two Church Lunch and Learn Group.** The speaker will be Jo-Anne Brady, chair of the Board of Directors of Pathways to Education. Learn about how this inspiring program is helping high school students graduate and go on to further education "Supporting Youth, Changing Lives." Please contact Meikle Turner at meikle_irish@yahoo.com or 613-542-7744 to book in. This will be our last meeting this fall.
- **4 pm: Chalmers' CCE** will meet in MacCallum Hall

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Worshipping Sundays Together

at Sydenham St in November, then at Chalmers United in December.

Chalmers' Christmas Cookie Sale



Order your tray(s) of Homemade Christmas Cookies by Nov. 27

\$12 for 2.5 dozen goodies

Delivered to your home Wed. Dec. 4th or you can
pick them up in Chalmers' MacCallum Hall.

To place your order

or to volunteer to bake some cookies

email Joan Simeon jsimeon601@gmail.com or call either 613-545-1099
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