

CHALMERS AND SYDENHAM STREET
UNITED CHURCHES OF CANADA
SHARING WORSHIP



“NEW RITUALS FOR THE CHURCH”

10:30 AM FEBRUARY 9, 2020

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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

February Services are at Chalmers United Church, 212 Barrie St.

March 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 in the Clergy St foyer, when prompted.

Washrooms are in the Clergy St. foyer.

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

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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 Office: Mon to Thurs 9:30 am-4:30 pm

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.

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy."

- Rabindranath Tagore, 20th century Nobel Prize winning poet

5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

☞ 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

on Bunnesan - June Nixon

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

"Go deeper," a voice as deep as ours dreams beckons,

"discover the abundance that is risk's harvest."

"In vulnerability, discover love:

in authenticity, allow intimacy;

in commitment, welcome, welcome freedom."

Lead us then, Lover of the Deep, away from the safety of surfaces,

into the dark and mysterious waters of divine blessing.

☞ VU 399 God, Whose Love is Reigning o'er Us

CENTERING PRAYER

Spinner, Weaver of our lives, your loom is love.

May we who are gathered here be empowered by that love

to weave new patterns of truth and justice into a web of

life that is strong, beautiful, and everlasting.

Receive our confession, or our gratitude, or our concern

For self or others....hear our silent meditation. *(silence)*

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

PRAYER FOR THE BLESSING OF SHAWLS

May God's grace be upon these shawls...warming, comforting,

enfolding and embracing. May these shawls be a safe haven... a

sacred place of security and well-being... sustaining and

embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May those who

receive these shawls be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with

peace, and wrapped in love.

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**

Mark 1: 29 - 39

Susan Irving

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

ANTHEM

Adiemus - Karl Jenkins Donna Delyea, soprano soloist

SERMON

"NEW RITUALS FOR THE CHURCH"

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🌀 MV 79 *Spirit, Open My Heart*

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERTORY

On CWM Rhondda - Alan Viner

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

🌀 VU 82 *A Light Is Gleaming (refrain only)*

**A light is gleaming, spreading its arms
throughout the night, living in the light.
Come share its gladness, God's radiant love
is burning bright, living in the light.**

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

🌀 MV 135 *Called by Earth and Sky*

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Toccata - Dietrich Buxtehude

Worshipping Sundays Together
at Chalmers United in February
and at Sydenham Street United in March

TALENTS SHARED, THANK YOU

Organist	Aurora Dokken
Greeter	Monika Holzschuh, Susan Irving
Hospitality	Rosemary MacLachlan, Joan Egnatoff
Counter	Marilyn Boston
Sound Techs	Olivia O'Driscoll, Matthias Melhorn-Boe

TODAY

- **Chalmers needs a new Transition Team member!**
Wilmer Hill had to step down for personal reasons. We thank him for his service. There should be four members from each church, and Chalmers now needs one more person 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 info or if you are interested in joining this essential and enthusiastic team, please contact a current Chalmers's team member: Al Fletcher, Monika Holzschuh, Rosemary MacLachlan or Rev. Barry King.
- **Chalmers Student Suppers:** Early in January the Chalmers' Coordinating Council of Elders approved an exciting partnership between Chalmers United Church student supper volunteers and the Queen's University Arts and Science Undergraduate Society's Good Times Diner staff. We will be running the **Chalmers Queen's Good Times Diner** in MacCallum Hall on the last Sunday evenings of the months January to April inclusive. The first free dinner was held at the end of January. The students bought and cooked a delicious tortellini soup, set the table and cleaned up after. Our volunteer hosts contributed homemade salad, brownies, cookies and pies and enjoyed the lively, intergenerational conversation well into the evening – to a background of a curated playlist of popular music old and new. Our next Chalmers Queen's Good Times Diner will be held on March 1 due to conflicts with reading week. Please get in touch with Mary Davis Little (davislittlem@gmail.com) for details on volunteering in this innovative outreach initiative.
- **Chalmers Giving Envelopes:** Please remember to pick up your envelopes at the back of the church.

COMING UP

Tuesday, Feb. 11

- **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 Don Amos from the Seniors Association on *We're more than you think!* Find out what all the Seniors Assoc. is doing in Kingston. Everyone from Sydenham St and Chalmers and your friends are invited to attend. If you wish to attend this event, please contact Meikle Turner at 613-542-7744 or meikle_irish@yahoo.com. Meal reservations must be made by 5 pm on Sun. Feb.11. Cost for the luncheon is \$22 per person. Our March 10th meeting will feature Sgt. Carla Stacey from Kingston Police who will address seniors fraud in a talk titled, *Stay on the safe side.*
- **4 pm: Chalmers CCE** will meet in MacCallum Hall.

Thursday, Feb. 13

- **12 pm: Weekly catered lunch** will take place in MacCallum Hall. We are now enjoying ethnic food from various Kingston restaurants and occasionally meals prepared by some of our participants. Music is provided by our own DJ Malcolm MacPherson. This week we will be having a birthday party! All are welcome! Please call Jane at 546-3905 if you would like to join us.

Friday, Feb. 14

- **Happy Valentine's Day to all!**
- **6 pm: The SSUC West End and Far West End Circles** are gathering this Friday, at the home of Martha Clarke, 260 Indian Road. We'll meet for a true potluck. We look forward to being together.

Saturday, Feb. 15

- **10am: Flute Choir** will take place in the Chalmers Sanctuary.
- **6pm: Refugee Sponsorship Concert** Our churches and associated community members have helped 5 new families and one individual settle in Canada through the Inter-Faith Refugee Partnership (IFRP). IFRP is currently supporting another more recent sponsoring group called Peaceful Golan, composed largely of Syrian new Canadians, including Tarek Hamdan, one of the first we sponsored. They are raising funds to cover sponsoring an extended family unit. Please join us and enjoy some classical music, Taiko drumming and refreshments at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in support of Peaceful Golan.

Sunday, Feb. 16

- **7 pm: Sunday Perspectives presents *Clemency*** at the Screening Room, 120 Princess St. Years of carrying out death row executions have taken a toll on prison warden Bernadine Williams (Alfre Woodard). As she prepares to execute another inmate, Bernadine must confront the psychological and emotional demons her job creates, ultimately connecting her to the man she is sanctioned to kill. 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 the screening. All are welcome to attend and participate. Hosted by St. Andrew's Presbyterian, Chalmers United, and St. Mark's Lutheran.

Tuesday, Feb. 25

- **5 -6 pm: Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** All Chalmers and Sydenham St folk are invited. Tickets \$12 and \$6 for children.

Sunday, March 1

- **12 pm: Chalmers' General Budget Meeting** following worship in MacCallum Hall. Lunch will be served.

Wednesday, Mar. 4 - Apr. 1

- **Joint Lenten Bible Series – Is the Gospel in Genesis?** The Chalmers and Sydenham Street congregations are invited to join with other nearby churches (St. James Anglican, St. Mark's Lutheran, and St. Andrew's Presbyterian) in a jointly-sponsored Lenten Bible Study. The study will take place on Wednesdays from March 4–April 1 from 7-9 pm. It will be led by The Rev. Dr. William Morrow. It will rotate through the various congregations, with each evening including a short vesper service in the tradition of the host church followed by discussion. In preparation for that study, please take the following survey so that the passages of greatest interest to those who participate will be discussed: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R7F7VGZ> If you have any questions, please speak with Rev. Barry King.
- **Chalmers Benevolent Program: The Blessing Box** is in need of donations of hair conditioner, laundry soap and dish soap. These would be welcomed at church house.
- **Stamp Program:** Please save your cancelled actual stamps (not from a metered machine) from home or business mail. The corner of the envelope is all that is required. Please drop them off in the stamp box in the foyer, or at the Church Office. (Use mail slot if the Office is closed). With Thanks to Ernie (pictured) who uses the value of our used stamps towards new stamps, saving the church hundreds of dollars annually in postage costs. Thank you. 
- **Chalmers' Book Table:** If you have enjoyed some good books 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.

Flowers in the Sanctuary are in loving Memory of

Edward Lank

from Elma, Charlotte (Fred), Ben and Andy.



A donation has been made to the General Fund in memory of

Lydia Grace Lucyk

and

Sylvia Dawne Woodley

by the family.



**JOIN IN THE
SHROVE TUESDAY
PANCAKE SUPPER**

**February 25th
5 - 6 pm
in MacCallum Hall**

Adults \$12 Children \$6

**Toppings galore:
maple syrup, yogurt, 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>.