

CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



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7) *Ever and Evermore Alive*

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Song Books are: VU *Voices United* and MV *More Voices*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

The Trumpet Shall Sound – G.F. Handel

Frazer House, trumpet

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

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.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Open to me the gates of righteousness that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again. Death no longer has dominion over him. Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. We sing Alleluia!

INTROIT

Christ is Risen, Yes Indeed - Stanley Wiersma, Wim ter Burg

PRAYER OF APPROACH

With thanksgiving, praise and joy, we worship you, wondrous God. How amazing is all your creation! How glorious is this day of new life! Come among us now, we pray, to raise us up from our fears and doubts and perplexities. We want to believe. We want to trust. We want to dare. We want to live. Touch us today with the spirit of hope, that our discipleship may honour Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

HYMN VU 155 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, hallelujah!
our triumphant holy day, hallelujah!
who did once, upon the cross, hallelujah!
suffer to redeem our loss, hallelujah!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, hallelujah!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, hallelujah!
who endured the cross and grave, hallelujah!
sinners to redeem and save, hallelujah!

3 But the pains which he endured, hallelujah!
our salvation have procured, hallelujah!
now above the sky he's King, hallelujah!
where the angels ever sing, hallelujah!

4 Sing we to our God above, hallelujah!
praise eternal as God's love, hallelujah!
praise our God, ye heavenly host, hallelujah!
praise the Son and Holy Ghost, hallelujah!

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A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of empty tombs and many surprises, you announce to us new life even in the face of death. As we listen to your amazing good news, help us to find ourselves and know ourselves in Christ. Be to us a living presence so that the story of Easter may become our story and we can embody its hope for the world. Amen.

Psalm 16: 5 - 11

John 20: 1 - 18

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN VU 173 *Thine is the Glory*

1 Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where the body lay.

Refrain:

**Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.**

2 Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb!
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth: death hath lost its sting. **R**

3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. **R**

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Rev. Ian MacKay

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ANTHEM

O Sons and Daughters – French 15th Century, Carol arr. Mark Sirett
Frazer House, trumpet

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

On Truro, Christ is Alive – Quentin Thomas

AN OFFERING OF APPRECIATION

to Aurora Dokken, our Interim Director of Music
Bill and Joan Egnatoff, Co-chairs, Chalmers ad hoc Music Committee

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing – Cyril Alington, Melchoir Vulpus

POSTLUDE

La Rejouissance, from Music for the *Royal Fireworks* -G.F. Handel

Lawrence House, trumpet

Frazer House, trumpet

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THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

Guest Minister **The Rev. Ian Mackay Minister** has been an ordained Minister of the United Church for 50 years having served pastorates in northern Manitoba (Flin Flon), south-western Ontario (London and Chatham), eastern Ontario (Edith Rankin Memorial, 1983-1993) and Montreal (St. Lambert, 1994-2010). In their retirement years, he and his wife Jane live near Verona where they regularly attend and offer services to Trinity United Church. They have 3 sons and 3 grandchildren. Two of the families live on the west coast, in the Seattle area and in New Westminister, and their youngest son lives in Halifax. This, alone can keep them active, travelling to both sides of the country! They also enjoy cycling, but only for much shorter distances and close to home!

Interim Music Director Aurora Dokken

Guest Musicians Frazer House, Larry House, Trumpets

Hymn Choir Margot Craft, Janice Moncrieff, Joan Egnatoff, Barb Fletcher, Anja Troje, Juliet Milsome

Al Fletcher, Bill Egnatoff, Robert Bruce

Sound & Media Techs Catie Doane, Brigitta Holzschuh

Technical Chair Nick Steinberg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Our Offering of Appreciation:** We are very thankful to Aurora Dokken for her leadership and musical offerings in our worship services. Rorry began as Interim Music Director with our congregation in September and has continued non-stop through to our Easter Sunday worship. She has faithfully and patiently guided our small COVID-19 choir as we learned how to record while singing in a very large circle. Her joyful spirit kept us going during our Thursday evening rehearsals beginning with spritely warmups, preparing hymns and anthems, and finally recording. Now, as her other work expands and at her request, she brings this work to a close, which she does on an uplifting note. We are most grateful to her for so generously sharing her gifts with us. Bill & Joan Egnatoff, co-chairs, ad hoc Music Committee

Sunday, April 11

- We will share in the pre-recorded joint Easter II Worship Service of Lessons and Carols prepared by the eight Congregations of the Ecumenical Worship Partnership.
Worship Partnership YouTube Channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWRIJZoKQxFCskoV_GI_xQQ

Tues. April 13

- **12:45 pm: Our Two Church Lunch and Learn Group will meet by ZOOM.** We are very pleased to have as our speakers The Reverend Nan Hudson and Carol Rogers, both from Faith United Church. The title of their presentation is *Walking the Path of Peace Together*. They will talk about the reconciliation project in which indigenous people from the Kingston area and settlers from Faith United, Chalmers United and Sydenham United Churches, have been engaged together. Signing into ZOOM will commence at 12.45 pm. At 1.10 pm we will have congregational announcements and then introduce our speakers. Everyone from Chalmers and our 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 for the AZOOM link, preferably by Sun. evening April 15th. Our next Lunch and Learn meeting will be on May 11, 2021 on the topic *Cataraqui Cemetery and Modern Challenges*.
- **CCE will meet** by Zoom at 4 pm

BENEVOLENT FUND PROGRAM

Hi

We again welcome donations of small jars of peanut butter, cans of salmon or tuna and Kraft dinners. It has continued to be difficult to keep up with the demand. If you can donate, please call Jan at 613-547-0480 to arrange drop off.



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- Note:** Mary Davis Little has offered to pick up and drop off laptops. Please email her to make arrangements davislittlem@gmail.com.

