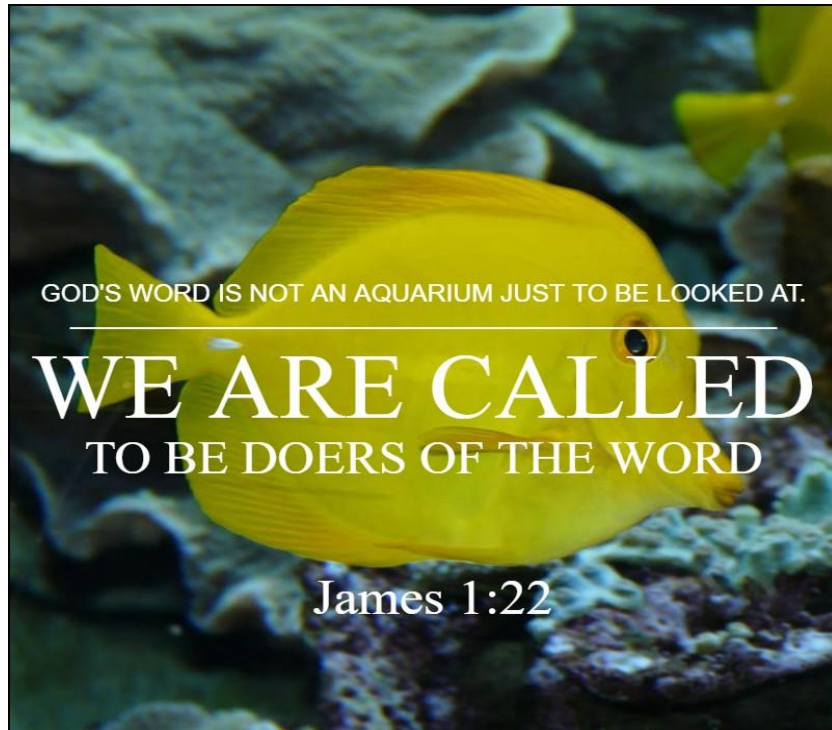


CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



SUNDAY, SEPT. 4, 2022

10:30 AM

REV. IAN MACKAY

"ATTITUDE TOWARD WORK"

Covid Precautions

1. Self-screening guidelines: If you have Covid symptoms or are isolating due to close contact, you should not attend in person. Services are also live-streamed.
2. Masking is encouraged but no longer mandatory.
Many will still choose to remain masked for their own or for other's safety. We welcome this choice and urge everyone to respect individuals' choices - each according to their own personal situations.
3. Social distancing still continues in the sanctuary and MacCallum Hall.

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Prelude on *St. Columba, The King of Love* - Healey Willan
(from 10 Hymn Preludes)

WORDS OF 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

One: We light this candle to remind us that Christ is the light of the world and present in our midst.

All: **May the life and words of Jesus enlighten us on our way.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Assemble before God, our rock and refuge.

Come together to listen for the voice of our Creator.

All: **The word of God shakes the foundation of the earth.
We expect to be changed by God's message to us.**

One: Listen to the ordinances of our God.

Love God and walk in the way God commands.

All: **O God, we will listen to your words.
We will seek to walk in the paths you intend.**

One: Happy are those who delight in God's law.

Blessed are all who meditate on God's word.

All: **Wonderful are all your works, O God.
We are your creation; we are in your hands. Amen.**

CENTERING PRAYER

God of all seasons, you give us warmth, rain and light,
that we might remember our need for re-creation.

We recall that to play in the sand is to walk on holy ground,
to sing in the dusk is to be in harmony with all around us,
to bask in the length of days is to know your blessing.

You call us to pause and reflect and give thanks for the grace
that allows us to be your people. So, we gather together
in worship, and do it in the name of Jesus Christ,
who makes all things new. Amen.

HYMN VU 815 *Come, Worship God* Psalm 95 pg. 815

- 1** Come, worship God, who is worthy of honour,
enter God's presence with thanks and a song!
You are the rock of your people's salvation,
to whom our jubilant praises belong.
- 2** Ruled by your might are the heights of the mountains;
held in your hands are the depths of the earth;
yours is the sea, yours the land, for you made them,
God above all gods, who gave us our birth.
- 3** We are your people, the sheep of your pasture;
you are our maker, and to you we pray;
gladly we kneel in obedience before you,
great is the One whom we worship this day!
- 4** Now let us listen, for you speak among us,
open our hearts to receive what you say:
peace be to all who remember your goodness,
trust in your word and rejoice in your way!

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A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Creator God, you lay out before us the path of righteousness.
You call for risk-taking loyalty and for challenges that can
sometimes stretch beyond our understanding. We want to
build the quality of life you intend for us and for all people.
Show us how to become more fully engaged as disciples of
Jesus Christ. Help us to structure our priorities so we can
witness faithfully to your will. Amen.**

READING

James 1: 17 - 27

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN VU 623 *Dear Weaver of Our Lives' Design*

- 1** Dear weaver of our lives' design
Whose patterns all obey,
With skillful fingers gentle guide
The sturdy threads that will survive
The tangle of our days,
The tangle of our days.

2 Take up the fabric of our lives
With hands that gently hold;
Bind in the ragged edge that care
Would sunder and that pain would tear,
And mend our ravelling souls,
And mend our ravelling souls.

3 Let eyes that in the plainest cloth
A hidden beauty see
Discern in us our richest hues,
Show us the patterns we may use
To set our spirits free,
To set our spirits free.

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SERMON

Attitude Toward Work

Rev. Ian Mackay

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

HYMN VU 544 *In Gratitude and Humble Trust*

In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ, your Son,
Teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Loving God, we have no way to repay you for all we have
received from your hands. We want to give our best to the work
you call us to do. We enter with renewed commitment and
confidence the costly venture of spreading love throughout the
world. Accept and bless our gifts of service, we pray. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Send us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN VU 635 *All the Way My Saviour Leads Me*

1 All the way my Saviour leads me;
what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy
who through life has been my guide?
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort,
here by faith in him to dwell,
for I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

2 All the way my Saviour leads me,
cheers each winding path I tread,
gives me grace for every trial,
feeds me with the living bread.
Though my weary steps may falter,
and my soul athirst may be,
gushing from the Rock before me,
lo, a spring of joy I see!

3 All the way my Saviour leads me;
O the fullness of his love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
in my Father's house above.
When my spirit, clothed immortal,
wings its flight to realms of day,
this my song through endless ages,
"Jesus led me all the way."

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Arioso - G. F. Handel

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THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

Guest Minister **Rev. Ian Mackay** 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 Westminster, 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!

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UPCOMING SERVICES

Sept 11:	Rev Dr Nadene Grieve - Deslippe
Sept 18:	Rev Dr Nadene Grieve - Deslippe
Sept 25:	Joint Truth and Reconciliation Group
	This service will focus on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day, Friday, Sept. 30)



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After the service, you are invited to share refreshments and conversation in MacCallum Hall.

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