

# CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



SUNDAY, OCT. 30, 2022 10:30 AM

REV. DR. PAUL CURRIE

ALL SAINTS DAY

## **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 others' safety. We welcome this choice and urge everyone to respect individuals' choices - each according to their own personal situation.
3. Social distancing still continues in the sanctuary and MacCallum Hall.

**Bold Text** *indicates the parts that everyone reads together*

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Cantilene* - Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

### 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

#### CENTERING PRAYER

All: God of unfailing light,  
in your realm of glory  
the poor are blessed,  
the hungry filled,  
and every tear is wiped away.  
Strengthened by this vision,  
may we follow in the way of holiness  
that your Son made known in life and death. Amen.

**HYMN VU 705** *For All the Saints*

1 For all the saints, who from their labours rest,  
all who by faith before the world confessed,  
your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

2 You were their rock, their fortress, and their might:  
you were their captain in the well-fought fight;  
you, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

3 O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one within your great design.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

4 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

5 But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day  
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:  
as God to glory calls them all away.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

6 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

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# A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

## A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**All:** 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.

## READING

Margot Craft

Psalm 149

Luke 6: 20 - 31

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God**

**HYMN VU 166** *Joy, Comes with the Dawn*

**Refrain:**

Joy comes with the dawn;  
joy comes with the morning sun;  
joy springs from the tomb  
and scatters the night with her song,  
joy comes with the dawn.

**1** Weeping may come;  
weeping may come in the night,  
when dark shadows cloud our sight. **R**

**2** Sorrow will turn,  
sorrow will turn into song,  
and God's laughter make us strong. **R**

**3** We will rejoice,  
we will rejoice, and give praise,  
to the One who brings us grace. **R**

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## MEDITATION

Rev. Dr. Paul Currie

*Sing to the Lord a New Song*

# COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

## OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

### DOXOLOGY

#### **HYMN VU 540** *Grant Us God, the Grace of Giving*

Grant us, God, the grace of giving,  
with a spirit large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living  
we may offer faithfully.

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### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### **VU Page 959** **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*sung*)

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.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil,  
for the kingdom,  
the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.

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**HYMN VU 333** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**1** Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

**2** Come, almighty to deliver;  
let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

**3** Finish, then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee,  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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**BENEDICTION**

**THREEFOLD AMEN**

**VU 967** Amen, amen, amen.

Danish

**POSTLUDE**

*Number Four* - Leon Boellmann (b. 1862)

## THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

### **Guest Minister**

#### **Rev. Dr. Paul Currie**

Paul is a retired United Church minister, who began his ministry as a Candidate from Chalmers United Church in Kingston. Over more than four decades he has practiced ministry in southern Manitoba, as well as southwestern and eastern Ontario. While serving in Kingston during the 1990's Paul had the honour of both chairing Kingston Presbytery and presiding over the Bay of Quinte Conference. As well as graduating from Queen's with his M. Div., Paul's D. Min. is from Detroit's Ecumenical Theological College, and his Certificate in Conflict Management and Mediation from Conrad Grebel University in Waterloo. He is a Volunteer Associate Minister with the congregation of Edith Rankin Memorial, where he and his wife, Debbie, sing in the choir.

### **Co-Liturgist**

Linda Steinberg

### **Organist**

Juliet Milsome

### **Hymn Singers**

Members of Chalmers Choir

### **Reader**

Margot Craft

### **Media Techs**

Brigitta Holzschuh, Aidan McClung

### **Technical Chair**

Nick Steinberg

### **Refreshments**

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**After the service,** you are invited to share refreshments and conversation.

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