CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



SUNDAY, NOV. 6, 2022 10:30 AM GUEST MINISTER: REV. IAN R. MACKAY SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

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

The King of Love (Psalm 23)

Irish Folk Melody

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: Come to God who has loved us through Jesus Christ.

Present yourselves to God's spirit who empowers us.

All: God has heard our voices and heeded our cries.

We will call on God's name as long as we live.

One: The steadfast love of God never ceases.

God's mercies never end; they are new every morning.

All: We trust in God to lead us and guide us.

Our times are in God's hands.

CENTERING PRAYER

All: O God, we bow before you. We have come to celebrate your presence and to learn more of your truth. We have come to rejoice in the gift of life and to share your love with one another. We have come to remember those whose sacrifice preserved our lives and gave us freedom. We have come to pray that our heritage of peace and good will among people may dwell in the hearts of all nations. So, let your Spirit descend upon us that we may be strengthened, and live as those who have been bought with a great price. Amen.

HYMN VU 220 Praise to the Lord, The Almighty

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation; O my soul, praise him, at all times your health and salvation. Come, all who hear, brothers and sisters draw near, joining in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, above all things so mightily reigning, keeping us safe at his side, and so gently sustaining. Have you not seen, how all you needed has been met by God's gracious ordaining?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper our work and defend us; surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend us: ponder anew what the Almighty can do who out of love will befriend us.
- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that has life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the Amen sound from God's people again: gladly with praise we adore him.

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A World Engaged with God

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: O God, your love embraces people of all generations. Lead us beyond divisiveness to an eager exploration of your truth. May our lives bear witness to your love, so that all people may come to know you and cherish your ways of good will and peace. Amen.

READING

Rev. Mackay

Isaiah 11: 1 – 9

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

HYMN VU 679 Let There be Light

- 1 Let there be light, let there be understanding. let all the nations gather, let them be face to face;
- 2 open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;
- 3 perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;
- 4 hallow our love hallow the deaths of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom, hallowèd be your name
- 5 your kingdom come, your spirit turn to language, your people speak together, Your spirit never fade;
- 6 let there be light; open your hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

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MEDITATION

Rev. Mackay

Hallowing the World God Made

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

OFFERTORY PRAYER

O God, your will and your way will prevail on earth. We who desire to work with you for that day make this offering that others may learn your ways and accept your love. Use these gifts to share your good news, we pray. Amen

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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THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

HYMN VU 527 God as with Silent Heart.

- 1 God! As with silent hearts we bring to mind how hate and war diminish humankind, we pause, and seek in worship to increase our knowledge of the things that make for peace.
- 2 Hallow our will as humbly we recall the lives of those who gave and give their all. We thank you, Lord, for women, children, men who seek to serve in love, today as then.
- 3 Give us deep faith to comfort those who mourn, high hope to share with all the newly born, strong love in our pursuit of human worth: "lest we forget" the future of this earth.
- 4 So, Prince of Peace, disarm our trust in power, teach us to coax the plant of peace to flower. May we, impassioned by your living Word, remember forward to a world restored.

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READINGIn Flanders Fields

Doug Arrand

REMEMBRANCE PRAYER



READING THE CHURCH'S HONOUR ROLL OF SACRIFICE

In Memory of the men of Chalmers who fell in the Great War 1914 to 1919

Oliver H. Allen Kenneth Carruthers Roderick M. Ferguson J. Eckford Gow Robert H. Hawley Kenneth Mackenzie Bruce M. McMahon W. Harley Robinson A. Rodgie Stewart Henry W. Uglow

And in Honour of 75 Members of this Congregation who served and 52 Members of this Congregation who served overseas. In Memory of the Men of Chalmers Church who Fell in the Second Great War 1939 to 1945

> Willis W. Coons Hugh Crumley George A. Gray Alexander C. Gunn Charles M. Thom George P. Kinnear John P. Kinnear

And in Honour of the 89 men and women who served.

SOLEMN SILENCE

READING

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ROYAL ANTHEM God Save the King

NATIONAL ANTHEM
O Canada

STATEMENT OF LOVING SACRIFICE

Rev. Mackay

John 15: 13

HYMN VU 713 | See a New Heaven

Refrain: I see a new heaven.
I see a new earth

As the old one will pass away, Where the fountain of life flows

and without price goes

to all people who abide in the land.

There, there on the banks of a river bright and free, Yielding her fruit, firm in her root. The Tree of Life will be. R

There, there where death dies and our lives are born again, Body and soul, struggling but whole Like flowers after the rain. R

- 3 There, there where the darkness brings visions from above. There where the night, bearing new light. reveals the promise of love. R
- 4 There, there where we work with the love of healing hands. Labour we must, true to our trust To build a promised new land. R

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Consolation Op. 30, No.3 - Felix Mendelssohn

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), southwestern 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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Hymn Singers Members of Chalmers Choir

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