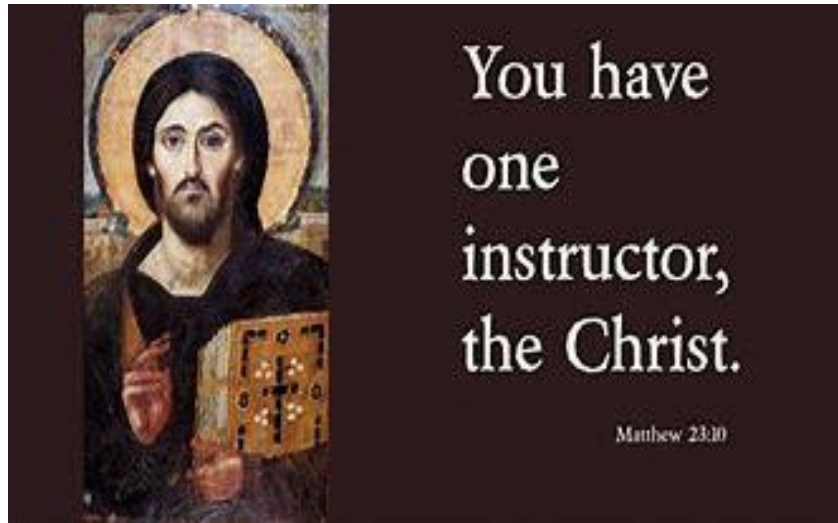


## CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



SUNDAY, NOV. 5, 2023 10:30 AM  
REV. DR. NADENE GRIEVE-DESLIPPE  
"PHYLACTERIES AND FRINGE"

### 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 not 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

Pastorale - Arthur J. Pritchard

### WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

The lands on which we are gathering today are the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Peoples. We acknowledge their enduring presence on this land, as well as the presence of the Huron-Wendat, Metis, Inuit and other First Nations from across Turtle Island. We deeply respect the many generations of people who have cared for this land and whose spiritualities, teachings and ways of knowing are closely tied to it. We seek to build right relations with these Peoples, to learn from them and to live together on this land with respect and gratitude.

#### 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.**

#### HYMN **VU 37** *Gloria*

Gloria, gloria,  
in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, gloria,  
alleluia, alleluia!

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#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**One:** We have gathered together in community to draw strength and encouragement from one another and from the scriptures.

**All:** **In the singing of hymns, proffering of prayers and pondering the word we are called to examine the examples we set. In worship we seek strength for the journey, so let us worship in humility and with honesty.**

## CENTERING PRAYER

**All:** Holy One, who has created and who continues to create, we are like clay in the hands of a master crafter, shape us. Saving One, who called disciples from the margins and challenged the elite to self-examination, open our eyes to the ministries we live. Present One, who remains among us to inspire and guide, attune our senses to your movement. Holy One, Saving One, Present One, accept our prayers and praise. Amen.

**HYMN VU 288** *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

1 Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou has been thou forever wilt be.

### **Refrain:**

Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided --  
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. **R**

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow --  
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide. **R**

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## A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

### A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**One:** Holy One, Sacred Mystery, greater than words can express; whose love for us and all creation exceeds our capacity to imagine, open our hearts and minds. Amen.

### READING

Matthew 23: 1 -12

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN VU 585** *Jesus Bids Us Shine*

1 Jesus bids us shine  
with a clear, pure light,  
like a little candle  
burning in the night.  
In this world of darkness,  
so let us shine,  
you in your small corner,  
and I in mine.

2 Jesus bids us shine,  
first of all for him;  
well he sees and knows it  
if our light grows dim:  
Jesus walks beside us  
to help us shine,  
you in your small corner,  
and I in mine.

3 Jesus bids us shine,  
then, for all around,  
many kinds of darkness  
in this world are found:  
sin, and want and sorrow;  
so we must shine,  
you in your small corner,  
and I in mine.

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**SERMON**

Rev. Dr. Nadene Grieve-Deslippe

*Phylacteries and Fringe*

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

**All:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

### HYMN VU 688 *O Day of God, Draw Nigh*

1 O day of God, draw nigh  
In beauty and in power,  
come with your timeless judgement now  
to match our present hour.

2 Bring to our troubled minds,  
uncertain and afraid,  
the quiet of a steadfast faith,  
calm of a call obeyed.

3 Bring justice to our land,  
that all may dwell secure,  
and finely build for days to come  
foundations that endure.

4 Bring to our world of strife  
your sovereign word of peace,  
that war may haunt the earth no more  
and desolation cease.

5 O day of God, draw nigh  
As at creation's birth;  
let there be light again, and set  
your judgements in the earth.

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### BENEDICTION

May God bless your going out as your coming in. Go into the world to shed the light of Christ where you live, work and play. God bless us so that we can live as fully committed servants and agents of the gospel. Amen.

### CHORAL BENEDICTION

### HYMN VU 424 *May the God of Hope Go with Us*

1 May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

**Refrain:**

Praying, let us work for peace,  
Singing, share our joy with all,  
Working for a world that's new,  
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

**2** May the God of healing free the earth from fear,  
freeing us for peace both treasured and pursued.  
May the God of love keep our commitment clear  
to a world resorted, to human life renewed. **R**

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**POSTLUDE**

*Postlude* – Arthur J. Pritchard

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