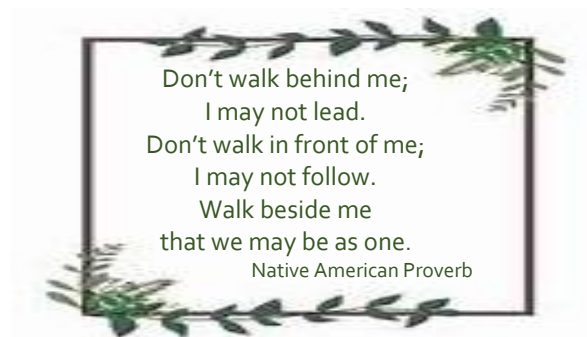


CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024 10:30 AM

"OUTREACH AT CHALMERS"



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 is encouraged in the sanctuary and MacCallum Hall.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Hornpipe (poco lento) - from Reputation Square arr. Robin Milford

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda Steinberg

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND Jane MacEwen

Before we begin, we respectfully recognize and acknowledge, as an act of reconciliation, that our church, homes, worksites, and places of relaxation, sit on the traditional territory of the Indigenous Peoples who called this land home and the centre of their spirituality before the arrival of settlers. We are grateful for First Nations' stewardship of this land and for showing us how to fulfill our responsibilities as people sharing the land and caring for one another. As a church, let us move forward in the same spirit of partnership and reconciliation as we contemplate the possibilities that lie ahead.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE James Smith

One: As we light this candle, and enjoy the light of day,
may we greet one another with love.

All: So long as we enjoy the light of day, may we pray for one another.

CENTERING PRAYER James Smith

One: Creator, Spirit, as we gather today, open our hearts and minds to the needs of our neighbours and ourselves. Give us wisdom to understand our strengths, forgive our weaknesses, and celebrate our contributions to the wider community.

HYMN MV 1 *Let Us Build a House*

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions: R

**Refrain: All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**

2 Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: **R**

3 Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: **R**

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: **R**

5 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafters: **R**

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A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD Jane MacEwen

Isaiah 58: 6-7 (*The Message*)

Acts 20: 35 (ESV)

Luke 6: 31 (ESV)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

OVERVIEW OF CHALMERS' OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Jane MacEwen

REFLECTION

Kana Ogama

Good Times Diner – ASUS, Queens U.

HYMN VU 509 *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I am Lord)*

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

**I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my hearts.**

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain,
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? **R**

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? **R**

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REFLECTION

Monika Holzschuh

Interfaith Refugee Program

HYMN MV 145 *Draw the Circle Wide*

Refrain: Draw the circle wide,
Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song,
no one stands alone,
standing side by side,
Draw the circle wide.

1 God the still point of the circle,
'round whom all creation turns;
nothing lost, but held forever,
in God's gracious arms. **R**

2 Let our hearts touch far horizons,
so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call. **R**

3 Let the dreams we dream be larger,
than we've ever dreamed before;
let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door. **R**

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PRAYER

Ivan Brandsma

One: We pray for those who live with hunger, hopelessness, despair,
addiction, and homelessness and other injustices they may endure.
Encourage us to advocate for the quiet ones, who struggle, stand
with them, on their journeys, so that we may lift up their voices.

All: **May You fill our hearts with kindness. Make us agents of
change, with empathy, love, and compassion. May we find and
offer new ideas, that bring hope and viable solutions, to those
in need.**

One: We pray for every person and community seeking a better world,
for those in Canada living poverty. We pray for institutions to work
together, to better help those, who are most disadvantaged.
Disability Support just does not provide enough. We pray You
enlighten those who do not see, or feel the depth of pain, so many
suffer.

All: **We ask you Creator, Giver of life, hear our prayers. Give us time,
energy, and commitment to help alleviate the injustices so
many experience, even in this day and age. Amen.**

REFLECTIONS

Blessing Box Pantry & Warm Feet for the Street
Tuesday morning Benevolent Program

Jan Trites
Carol Sleeth

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

Carol Sleeth

(We invite gifts given today, be designated to Chalmers' Benevolent Fund.)

DOXOLOGY

HYMN VU 543 *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

v. 1

1 We give thee but thine own,
what e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O God, from thee.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

(adaptation)

Jane MacEwen

VU 916 *Prayer of Jesus, a Paraphrase*

All: Eternal Spirit,
Earth Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be.
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

Voices United, 1988 Jim Cotter

HYMN MV 209 *Go, Make a Difference*

Refrain: Go, make a difference.

We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world.
Go make a difference.
We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world.

1 We are the salt of earth,
called to let the people see
the love of God for you and me.
We are the light of the world,
not to be hidden but be seen.
Go make a difference in the world. **R**

2 We are the hands of Christ
reaching out to those in need,
the face of God for all to see.
We are the spirit of hope;
we are the voice of peace.
Go make a difference in the world. **R**

3 So let your love shine on,
let it shine for all to see.
Go make a difference in the world.
And the spirit of Christ
will be with us as we go.
Go make a difference in the world. **R**

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BLESSING

Heather Faris

Deep Peace (Gaelic Traditional) (*said*)

Deep peace of the running wave to you;
Deep peace of the flowing air to you;
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you;
Deep peace of the shining stars to you;
Deep peace of the gentle night to you;
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.
Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you;
Deep peace of Christ to you.

POSTLUDE

Musette on All Things Bright and Beautiful (Royal Oak) arr. by John Barr

