



## CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH

Guest Minister:  
Rev. Ian Mackay  
"What a Trip!"

February 27, 2022  
Transfiguration Sunday  
10:30 am

Due to a Covid resurgence, Chalmers remains closed this Sunday  
for in-person worshipping.

The service will be posted to Chalmers' YouTube channel.  
Services will resume in the Sanctuary, in-person March 6, 2022

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

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Wherever You May Go*

MV 216

Wherever you may go,  
I will follow, and your people  
shall be my people too.  
Wherever you may go,  
I will follow,  
for I would be faithful,  
loyal and true.

### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### 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.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**One:** We are a community of faith.  
We gather together to worship our God.  
**All:** **May our faces shine in anticipation.**  
**Our God has invited us to this time of worship.**  
**One:** We share in a beloved covenant of promise and hope.  
Our spirits lead us to worship and praise.  
**All:** **Let us praise God's holy name.**  
**Let us share in the glory of life.**  
**What a gift!**

### CENTRING PRAYER

Holy are you, O God, of all time and space. Before the vastness of your creation the earth is miniscule. Yet you have lavished your energies upon it. The gift of life is ours to handle with care. You have created us for works of loving service. O God, we are here. Come to enlighten and empower us, we pray. Amen.

**HYMN VU 235** *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above*

- 1** O worship the King all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;  
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.
- 2** O tell of God's might! O sing of God's grace,  
whose robe is the light; whose canopy space;  
whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
and broad is God's path on the wings of the storm.
- 3** The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your power has founded of old;  
has stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4** Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
- 5** Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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## A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

### A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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.**

### READINGS

Luke 9: 28 - 36

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*What a Trip!*

Rev. Ian Mackay

## COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

### OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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#### HYMN VU 104 *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding*

1 We have come at Christ's own bidding  
to this high and holy place,  
where we wait with hope and longing  
for some token of God's grace.  
Here we pray for new assurance  
that our faith is not in vain,  
searching like those first disciples  
for a sign both clear and plain.

2 Light breaks in upon our darkness;  
splendour bathes the flesh-joined Word;  
Moses and Elijah marvel  
as the heavenly voice is heard.  
Eyes and hearts behold with wonder  
how the Law and Prophets meet:  
Christ, with garments drenched in brightness,  
stands transfigured and complete.

3 Strengthened by this glimpse of glory,  
fearful lest our faith decline,  
we like Peter find it tempting  
to remain and build a shrine.  
But true worship gives us courage  
to proclaim what we profess,  
that our daily lives may prove us  
people of the God we bless.

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#### BENEDICTION

#### CHORAL BENEDICTION

#### HYMN MV 222 *May the Peace of God Be Your Peace*

May the peace of God be your peace.  
May the love of God be the love you show.  
May the joy of God be the joy you know,  
and may the world that God would see  
be found in you.

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#### POSTLUDE

*Allegretto in C major* - G.B. Martini

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## THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

**Guest Minister The Rev. Ian R. 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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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Co-Liturgist</b>    | Linda Steinberg                                   |
| <b>Organist</b>        | Juliet Milsome                                    |
| <b>Readers</b>         | David Spooner                                     |
| <b>Hymn Singers</b>    | Members of Chalmers Choir                         |
| <b>Media Techs</b>     | Brigitta Holzschuh, Dylan Lodge,<br>Bill Egnatoff |
| <b>Technical Chair</b> | Nick Steinberg                                    |

## UPCOMING SERVICE

**10:30am Sunday, March 6:** Rev. Dr Nadene Grieve-Deslippe

A donation has been made to  
the Benevolent Fund

In memory of our Grandson  
**Patrick McKay**

25 May 1995  
to 20 July 2016

From David and Rosalie Spooner





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