

# CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



Epiphany II - Recognizing Extravagant Grace

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Due to a COVID resurgence, Chalmers is again closed for in-person worship. The service can be watched live on Zoom or Chalmers YouTube channel.

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

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Amazing Grace* - arr. by Robert J. Hughes

### 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: What does the Lord require of us?

**All: With what shall we come before God – Holy Mystery who is Wholly Love?**

One: This is what is God's invitation to us –

**All: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.**

One: Though separated by pandemic conditions, we unite our hearts now in common purpose,

**All: Let us worship our God.**

#### CENTRING PRAYER

One: Gracious and Loving God, though we are unable to gather for worship this day, help us to be aware of your unfailing Presence;

**All: encircle us with your love.**

One: Kind Creator, Compassionate Friend, Sustaining Spirit;

**All: surround us with a renewed awareness of your grace.**

One: Draw us 'round your Living Word,

**All: and bind us to one another as disciples of Jesus our Saviour;**

One: whose Spirit moves in us and among us.

**All: Amen.**

**HYMN VU 559** *Come, O Fount of Every Blessing*

**1** Come, O Fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing your grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of endless praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it  
mount of God's unfailing love.

2 Here I pause in my sojourning;  
giving thanks for having come,  
come to trust, at every turning,  
God will guide me safely home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
came to rescue me from danger,  
precious presence, precious blood.

3 O, to grace how great a debtor  
daily I am drawn anew!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to you.  
Prone to wander, I can feel it,  
wander from the love I've known:  
here's my heart, O, take and seal it;  
seal it for your very own.

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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.**

### SCRIPTURES

Margot Craft

Psalm 36: 5 – 10

Gospel of John 2: 1 – 11

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

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# COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

#### HYMN VU 266 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

- 1 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed.
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me,  
this word my hope secures;  
God will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

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## COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

### CHORAL BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Fantasia in a minor by J.S. Bach*

## THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

<b>Guest Minister</b>	<b>Rev. Phil Hobbs</b> has been preaching and leading worship in our United Church of Canada for more than 50 years. After early retirement in 2010, Rev. Phil offered creative leadership to congregations in transition until the end of 2020 - serving congregations in Prince Edward County, Quinte West, Belleville and Peterborough. Phil lives with his wife Carol in Picton where they tend their flower gardens and enjoy spending time with their resident granddaughter.
<b>Co-Liturgist</b>	Linda Steinberg
<b>Organist</b>	Juliet Milsome, Aurora Dokken
<b>Reader</b>	Margot Craft
<b>Hymn Singers</b>	Margot Craft, Janice Moncrieff, Barb Fletcher, Al Fletcher, Marian Holobow, Mary Davis Little, Anja Troje
<b>Sound &amp; Media Tech</b>	Brigitta Holzschuh, Malcolm MacPherson
<b>Technical Chair</b>	Nick Steinberg

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgl1tZaiRji18sFwj2P2Q>**

## UPCOMING SERVICES

**Jan. 23:** Rev Phil Hobbs - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

**Jan. 30:** Rev Wendy Maclean

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