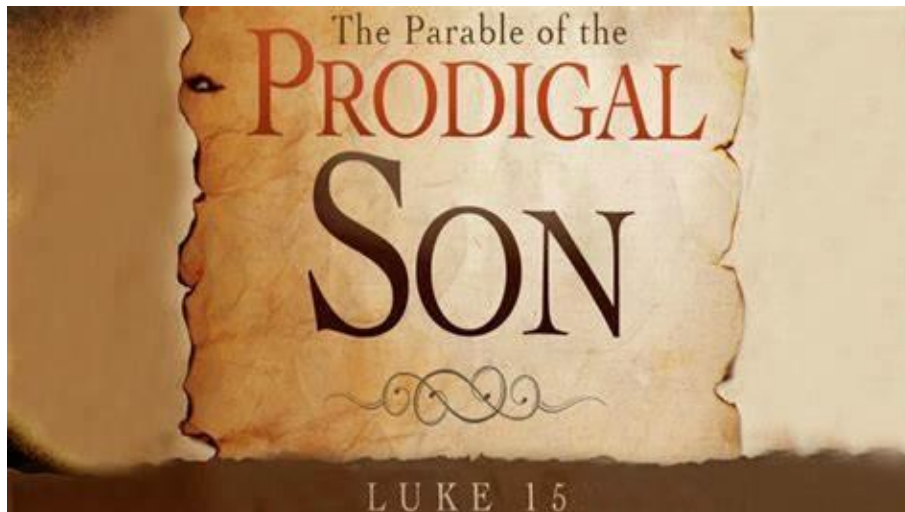


CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



Guest Minister
Rev. Dr. Nadene Grieve-Deslippe
"Pigheaded Fool"

Sunday, March 27, 2022
10:30 am

Covid Precautions

We have returned to in-person services and are loosening some previous restrictions. Certain restrictions still remain for the time being such as - double vaccinations, masks at all times, social distancing, screening and registering at the door.

Bold Text *indicates the parts that everyone reads together*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Beneath the Cross of Jesus - Frederick C. Maker

arr. David Ferreira

Joan Egnatoff, piano; Bill Egnatoff, flute

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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.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our God is a loving parent: slow to anger and quick to forgive.
Sometimes as the sons and daughters of God, we are quick to become angry and slow to forgive.

All: **In worship we seek to be reminded of who we are and to whom we belong. May this hour of worship empower and enable us to be compassionate, understanding and loving. Let us worship in honesty.**

CENTERING PRAYER

Holy One, who knows us better than we know ourselves, bless us with new eyes for seeing. Saving One, who challenged the impoverished and the elite with a new way of being, bless us with new ears for hearing. Present One, who remains in the world to inspire and guide, renew us. Holy One, Saving One, Present One bless us now and ever. Amen.

HYMN VU 271 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

1 There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice
which is more than liberty.

2 There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such gracious judgement given.

3 There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that Christ has shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.

4 Troubled souls, why will you scatter
like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why will you wander
from a love so true and deep?

5 For the love of God is broader
than the measures of the mind,
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

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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.**

READING

Al Fletcher

Luke 15: 1 - 3, 11 - 32

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN VU 260 *God Who Gives to Life its Goodness*

1 God who gives to life its goodness,
God creator of all joy,
God who gives to us our freedom
God who blesses tool and toy:
teach us now to laugh and praise you.
deep within your praises sing.
till the whole creation dances
For the goodness of its King.

2 God who fills the art with beauty,
God who binds each friend to friend,
God who names us co-creators
God who wills that chaos end:
grant us now creative spirits,
minds responsive to your mind,
hearts and wills your rule extending
all our acts by Love refined.

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Pigheaded Fool

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

DOXOLOGY

HYMN VU 541 *Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low;
Give thanks to God in love made known;
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

trad.

HYMN VU 264 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

- 1** Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
- 2** Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3** To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.
- 4** Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

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Music: Welsh Folk Song, arr. John Roberts (Henllan) in Caniadau y Cyssegr 1839
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BENEDICTION

One: Go into the world armed with compassion and grace. May all who cross your path recognize you as a member of God's vast, eternal family.

All: **May we live as light and life in a troubled and needing world. To God be the glory this day and always. Amen.**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

HYMN VU 373 *As Comes the Breath of Spring*

v.1

1 As comes the breath of spring
with light and mirth and song,
so does your Spirit bring
new days brave, free, and strong.
You come with thrill of life
to chase hence winter's breath,
to hush to peace the strife
of sin that ends in death.

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POSTLUDE

When We Are Living - Somos del Señor

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Spanish Melody arr. Joel Raney
Joan Egnatoff, piano; Bill Egnatoff, flute

THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

Guest Minister

The Rev. Dr. Nadene Grieve-Deslippe

Nadene was born and raised in Hamilton. She did her undergraduate work at McMaster and studied theology at Queen's. She completed a Doctor of Ministry at McMaster Divinity College. She has served pastorates in Manitoba and Eastern Ontario and retired on September 30, 2020 from Cooke's-Portsmouth Church, Kingston. She is married to Michael and they have three living daughters and are proud grandparents to three grandchildren. Nadene anticipates enjoying her retirement as Covid restrictions and waves ebb.

Co-Liturgist

Linda Steinberg

Organist

Juliet Milsome

Instrumentalists

Joan Egnatoff, Bill Egnatoff

Reader

Al Fletcher

Hymn Singers

Members of Chalmers Choir

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UPCOMING SERVICES

10:30am Sunday, April 3: Rev. Paul Currie

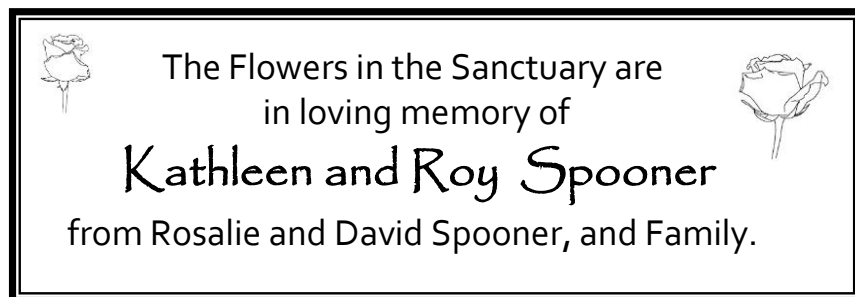
10:30am Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday: Rev. Paul Currie

10:00am Friday, April 15 - Good Friday: ecumenical service at St James Anglican, in person or online at

<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJamesAnglicanChurchKingstonOntario>

10:30am Sunday, April 17 - Easter Sunday: Rev. Paul Currie

10:30am Sunday, April 24: Rev. Paul Currie





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