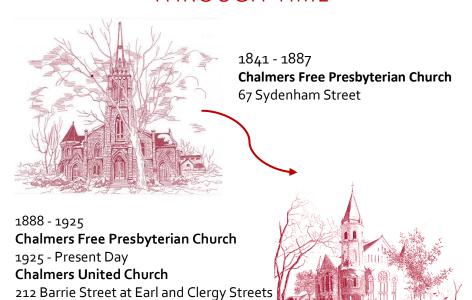
# CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH THROUGH TIME



A SPECIAL IN-HOUSE SERVICE

"HONOURING OUR PAST,
A COMMUNITY OF FAITH"

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022 10:30 AM

SPEAKER: NICK STEINBERG

#### **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

Chorale prelude on Song 13 Giver of the Perfect Gift - Healey Willan

#### WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **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** based on Acts 2:43–47

One: We are called to be the church.

All: We come to learn from the lessons Jesus taught.

One: We come in amazement of the wondrous things God is

doing in the world.

All: All who believed were together and had all things in common;

One: We come with our own unique stories and histories, drawn

together in God's love.

All: We come to learn ways we can care for God's people and

creation.

One: We come to share in fellowship as God's people.

All: We come to worship God together in community.

### PRAYER OF APPROACH

God, you called us here to worship together in community. Each person here comes with their own unique gifts and experiences. Help us to learn from each other and to build a community based in your love and care for all our neighbours. Amen.

**HYMN VU** 395 Come In, Come In and Sit Down (Part of the Family) Refrain:

Come in, come in and sit down you are a part of the family. We are lost and we are found, and we are a part of the family.

- 1 You know the reason why you came, yet no reason can explain; so share in the laughter and cry in the pain, for we are a part of the family. R
- 2 God is with us in this place, like a mother's warm embrace.
   We're all forgiven by God's grace, for we are a part of the family.
- 3 There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine; we are the branches, Christ is the vine This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine, but we are a part of the family.
  R
- 4 There's rest for the weary and health for us all; there's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's small. So come in and worship and answer the call, for we're a part of the family. R

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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**

Monika Holzschuh

Luke 10: 25 - 37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan Acts 8: 26 - 38 Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

**HYMN** We are the Church

Refrain:

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

- 1 The Church is not a building, the Church is not a steeple. The Church is not a resting-place, the Church is a people! R
- We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces:all colours and all ages, too, from all times and places.
- 3 Sometimes the church is marching, sometimes it's bravely burning, sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding, always it's learning.
- 4 And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying, there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying: R
- 5 At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit and told the good news through the world to all who would hear it. **R**
- 6 I count if I am ninety, or nine, or just a baby; there's one thing I am sure about and I don't mean maybe: R

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#### REFLECTION

Honouring Our Past – A Community of Faith

# COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE OFFERING

**DOXOLOGY VU 543** We Give Thee but Thine Own

V.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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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN MV 1 Let Us Build a House

Refrain:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 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
- **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 love is found in water, wind 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, ad 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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#### **BENEDICTION**

Go into the world strengthened by the past Inspired by the opportunities before us, and Surrounded by the love of this amazing family of God Go out with joy to be God's people today!

#### **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**

Londonderry Air In Memory of Elma Lank

> arr. for piano solo - Albert Oswald Frederick Harris Co. Music Pub. , 1927)

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are in Loving Memory of our grandson,



# Patrick McKay

from Rosalie and David Spooner



# THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

Speaker Nick Steinberg
Co-Liturgist Linda Steinberg
Historical Research Ruth Tracy
Organist Juliet Milsome
Reader Monika Holzschuh

Hymn SingersMembers of Chalmers ChoirMedia TechsBrigitta Holzschuh, Dylan Lodge

Technical Chair Nick Steinberg

# **UPCOMING SERVICES**

Sunday, May 29: Rev. lan Mackay Sunday, June 5: Rev. Dr. John Suk

Sunday, June 12: Rev. Dr. Nadene Grieve-Deslippe Joint Truth and Reconciliation Group

Sunday, June 26: Rev. Ian Mackay



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