
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

171 Sherwood Ave. Kitchener ON N2B 1K2

~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



A Bright
FUTURE

April 26, 2015 – Anniversary Sunday

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Heather Davies and Teresa Carse

**Large Print Bulletins & Hearing Devices
are available: Please ask an usher**

*Please Rise in Body or in Spirit when you see this symbol: **

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOUR

PRELUDE **Prelude on "Brother James's Air"** *(Searle Wright)*

* OPENING HYMN **Holy, Holy, Holy** VU 315

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

One: O God, who to an expectant and united church
didst grant at Pentecost the gift of the Holy Spirit,
and hast wonderfully brought into one fold
those who now worship thee here:
grant us the hope of the same Spirit
in all our life and worship
that we may expect great things from thee,
and attempt great things for thee,
and being one in thee may show to the world
that thou didst send Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit,
be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

*from the Inaugural service of The United Church of Canada,
June 10th, 1925*

The Christ Candle is lit

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord! Give thanks to him!

One: God has blessed us and brought us to this time.

All: God has blessed us and brought us to this place.

One: God has caused his name to dwell in our midst.

All: God has stirred our hearts and made us glad.

One: God has shown us his glory in his mighty word.

All: God has shown us the way of truth and life.

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord! Give thanks to him!

One: For 61 years, God has nurtured and fed us.

All: For 61 years, God has shown us his grace.

One: For 61 years, God has given himself in Word and Sacrament.

All: For 61 years, God has empowered us with his Holy Spirit.

One: For 61 years, God has made us his witnesses in the world.

All: For 61 years, God has placed us in loving fellowship with one another.

One: Praise the Lord for 61 years!

Praise him for many more!

All: Praise the Lord for evermore!

Oh, praise the name of the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

All: The Lord God is his goodness has blessed us with 61 years of mission and ministry as St. James~Rosemount United Church. We are a remembering people, and it is good that we remember that God has chosen us, baptized us, and brought us together as the Church of Christ in this place. As remembering people, we look back at all the saving acts of God: the Creation, the Flood, the Covenant, the Exodus, the Incarnation, the Crucifixion, the Resurrection, the Church.

We are a remembering people, but we are also a people of this day, brought together by God to be a holy fellowship of believers: the Body of Christ, sharing, caring, working in the world, and living in the hope of the world to come.

Our eyes look back with thanksgiving. Our eyes look forward in hope.

Therefore, with thanksgiving for the past and hope for the future, let us dedicate ourselves and our lives to the mission which God gives us as the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.

*(Call to Worship and Opening prayer by The Rev. Thomas L. Weitzel
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory.**

For ever and ever. AMEN.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Maureen Dennie

GOSPEL LESSON: **John 10:11-18** (King James)

Reader: Clayton Sinclair

One: This is the Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to Christ the Word

*** CHILDREN'S 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!

The church is not a building,
the church is not a steeple,
the church is not a resting place;
the church is a people! **(Refrain)**

We're many kinds of people,
with many kinds of faces,
all colors and all age, too,
from all times and places. **(Refrain)**

And when the people gather,
there's singing and there's praying;
there's laughing and there's crying
sometimes, all of it saying, **(Refrain)**

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CHILDREN'S TIME:

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

Loving Shepherd

(Sheep May Safely Graze)

(J. S. Bach)

Ron Baer (flute) & Cathy Baer (clarinet)

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

One: Eternal God,
in the reading of the scripture, may your Word be
heard;
in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be
known;
and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be
shown. Amen. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The Acts of the Apostles: **Acts 4:5-12** (The Message)

Reader: Anne Willcox

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God for the Word.

Psalms 23 VU 747

SERMON **"Let Us Build a House"**

SILENCE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN **I, the Lord of Sea and Sky** VU 509

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC **Pièce Galante** *(Denis Bédard)*

* OFFERING RESPONSE: **We Bring Our Gifts to Share**

**We bring our gifts to share,
and lift our grateful prayer
That with our faithful care,
our world will grow.
Through work of minds
and hands in gestures small or grand,
Let willing hearts expand the love You sow.**

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* PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(unison)*

**All: Responding to your blessing on us,
O God, and our love
for you, we bring these offerings of our resources,
our best efforts, and ourselves.
May we prove faithful to you and
to those faithful ones who have come before us.
And may our lives also shine brightly in the world
as evidence of our hope. Amen.**

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE GOD

* HYMN **Let Us Build a House** MV 1
*(Art contributed by: Jim & Norma Mosgrove, the Sinclair Family,
the Davies Straby Family, the Bureck Family,
and the SJR Congregation)*

COMMISSIONING

One: Ever-gracious God, you call people from near and far
into the fellowship of our church,
building upon the foundation
of the apostles and prophets,

upon Jesus Christ, our companion and Lord,
and upon all the saints who have gone before us.
We give you thanks for 61 years of church life,
We give you thanks for all in our midst today.
Continue to watch over our congregation, we pray;
disturb our complacency;
fill it again and again with your Spirit;
deepen our faith and our relationship with you,
so that we might continue to be faithful co-workers
with you—
“that all the world might see” and praise you.
In the name of Jesus Christ who is our Head
and our Cornerstone. Amen.

*** CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Go now in peace, never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of every day
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe
Reach out to others so all the world can see
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

(“Go Now in Peace” Written by Besig & Price ©1988)

POSTLUDE The Heavens Declare *(Benedetto Marcello)*

(Please refrain from applause following the postlude. Alison is always grateful to receive verbal expressions of appreciation during social time after the service).



***We warmly welcome you to join us after the
service for lunch served downstairs in the gym.***

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The roses on the communion table are in honour of our
Charter members. For many years, Harriet Archer, a
Charter member, provided funds each year for these
flowers, so these are especially in her honour.



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*Thanks to the Gifts & Memorials Committee for providing 50 new
copies of More Voices which have been placed in the pews.*

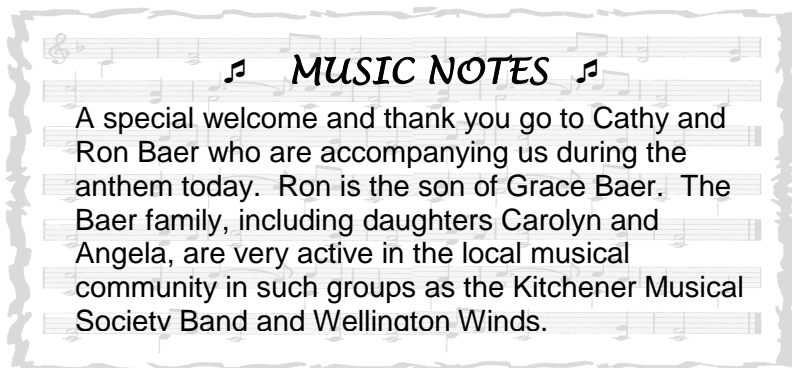


Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Doug Justason who passed away on Monday April 20, 2015. The funeral was held on Friday April 24th at The Henry Walser Funeral Home.

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Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference:
Zion United Church, Waterloo Presbytery

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MUSIC NOTES

A special welcome and thank you go to Cathy and Ron Baer who are accompanying us during the anthem today. Ron is the son of Grace Baer. The Baer family, including daughters Carolyn and Angela, are very active in the local musical community in such groups as the Kitchener Musical Society Band and Wellington Winds.

IN OUR CHURCH:



Scent-Sensitivities: There are people in our congregation who are very sensitive to perfumes and other scents. We ask that you refrain from wearing them in the building.

Security Issues We've been finding church doors left unlocked. PLEASE make ***absolutely*** certain that doors are locked when you leave the church. If you unlocked the door, please re-lock it. Always.



Book Nook: ***I Like Giving***, written by Brad Formsma. This book is not all about money. It illustrates many ways to give to others. A smile makes the giver and receiver feel great. On display - borrow for 3 weeks.

SJR Reads Tomorrow! ***Monday, April 27th 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.*** in the parlour. We will be discussing 'Tara Road' by Maeve Binchy (available at KPL). Use door off Kensington Ave (near the Narthex/parlour) All are welcome to come and join our interesting discussion! If you need a ride, contact **the Church Office**

UCW Unit # 2 Meeting Tomorrow! Monday

April 27th, 7:30 p.m. in the Parlour. Guest speaker is Allan Grose, gardener "extraordinaire". Allan is from New Hamburg and he has four gardens from which he harvests produce which he sells at a Produce stand in front of New Hamburg United Church. The proceeds go to a mission in Kenya and Allan will tell us his personal story. Everyone welcome, men, women & children! A real treat.



Garage Sale Saturday, May 2nd, 2015

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. House cleaning this spring? Collect those treasures and deliver them to SJR from Mon., April 27th to Th 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. Things that small appliances and tools, dishes, glassware, household decoration



used tools, kid's toys, books, DVDs, CDs, jewelry, good clean used clothing, plants that you have spit and are ready to be planted and anything else you don't need or want. "Many hands make light work" so check the sign-up sheets and let us know when you can help. All funds raised go to the Mission and Service Fund. Questions? Contact **the Church Office**

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew	AV Crew
Greeters	Joan K Marion M & Fran C
Lunch	Worship Committee
Counters	Steve W, Nicole W, Eric W
Ushers	Don & Anne W, Valerie H, Carol W
Nursery	Margaret S Sr.
BookNook	Millie W
Sunday School	Kelly M
Lay Reader	Steve W

IN OUR COMMUNITY

TODAY! Waterloo Region Police Male Chorus at Olivet: For 15 Years, the Waterloo Region Police Male Chorus used Olivet as its rehearsal facility. The Rockway Entertainers used Olivet when the Rockway Senior Centre was unavailable. As we wind down our affairs here at Olivet, we have been connecting with many of the past groups connected with Olivet. We are pleased to host both of these fine Choirs on ***Sunday April 26, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.*** at Olivet for the final concert to be hosted at Olivet United Church. Olivet has had a long-time association with Caring Partners Global and proceeds from this free will concert will be donated to Caring Partners Global. ***Don't miss this event!***



Correction - we've been informed that a Sunday School leaders & Youth leader event for May 3rd previously posted in the bulletin is at an Olivet Church in the Toronto Area and not the Olivet Church we are familiar with here in Kitchener.

Ecumenical Prayer Shawl Ministry Gathering and Reflection - Tuesday, May 5, 1-3:30 p.m.

(doors open at noon) for all who are involved in prayer shawl ministry or would like to learn about it. Hosted by the St. Louis and St. Michael Prayer Shawl Ministries, at St. Louis Church, 53 Allen St., Waterloo. Bring your shawls, patterns and resources to share. There will be a free-will offering. Prayer Shawl knitting and crochet books will be available for sale. Please register by April 28 - contact Linda at prayershawlgathering2015@gmail.com



Taco Supper & Bake Sale Fundraiser at

Westminster All you can eat tacos with all the fixings, make your own sundae for dessert.

Tuesday, May 5th 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Westminster U.C. 543 Westwood Dr. Waterloo. For tickets email office @westminsterunited.ca or call 519-746-6080



CGIT 100th Anniversary Celebrations at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre, **May 29-31, 2015**. Calling all girls, leaders, alumnae or anyone who has been associated with Canadian Girls In Training. All meals, lodging, and activities are included in the \$25 registration fee! Register by April 10th. Details and registration form attached. For more info contact **the Church Office**. See info posted on Community Bulletin Board.

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**Don't
Forget**

**Don't forget the Final Concert
at Olivet United Church
47 Onward Ave, Kitchener, ON
TODAY at 3:00 p.m.**

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- ☐ Apr. 26 **Final Concert at Olivet - TODAY 3p.m.**
- ☐ Apr. 27 **SJR Reads 1:30-3:30 in the Parlour**
- ☐ Apr. 27 **UCW Unit Mtg 7:30 p.m. in the Parlour**
- ☐ Apr. 29 **VBS Video Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. in the Parlour**
- ☐ May 2 **Scout Pancake Breakfast 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.**
- ☐ May 2 **Annual SJR Garage Sale 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
- ☐ May 5 **Brown Bag Lunch 12 noon - 1 p.m. in Parlour**



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We Share The Air!

SJR is a smoke-free & fragrance-free facility.