St. James'-Rosemount United Church 171 Sherwood Ave. Kitchener ON N2B 1K2

~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



June 28, 2015 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Leader: Rev. Heather Davies

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

* Processional Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

VU 326

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

One: Ever-present God,

this day enfolds us and surrounds us: be in our speaking and in our thinking; be in our life and on our lips; be in our hearts and in our souls, today and forever. Amen.

The Christ Candle is lit

Call To Worship:

- One: We have gathered to worship God.
- All: We have come seeking comfort, inspiration, community, and insight.
- One: We have come to open ourselves to the power of God's presence in our midst.
- All: We have come to offer up the seasons and the turnings in our lives, and to ask God's help in our learning and in our growing.

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (in unison)

All: We feel your welcome, gracious God, in this time of worship. You welcome young and old, all seeking peace, and all brimming over with energy. You welcome newcomers and long-time members; all seeking a familiar expression of praise and prayer, and all seeking a startlingly new celebration of faith. You welcome us all, welcoming God.

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: Heartwood Community Cafe

Old Testament Reading: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God for the Word.

* Children's Hymn Spirit, Open My Heart

MV 79

Children's Time

Children's Prayer

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination:

One: O God,

your Word is a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love. Amen.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 5:21-43

One: This is the Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to Christ the Word

Message: "Good Grief"

Silence

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Great is Thy Faithfulness * Hymn VU 288 Prayers of the People: Call for the Offering: Offering Offertory * 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. Words & music © A. Baer, 2013, arr. S. Porter

* Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Through these gifts, O God, may all heed the voice of justice, hear the call to compassion, embrace the way of sharing, and know solidarity with the loving Christ. Amen.

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE GOD

* Hymn Blest Be the Tie That Binds

VU 602

Commissioning:

One: Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honour all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. I Corinthians 16:13, II Timothy 2:1, Ephesians 6:10, I Thessalonians 5:13-22, I Peter 2:17

* 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

Thank you to Martin Bauer who is our guest organist this week.

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Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference: *St. Paul's United Church, Dundas, Hamilton Presbytery*



Our thoughts and prayers are with Ileen D, whose son Stephen D. passed away last week.

IN OUR CHURCH:

Church office hours for the summer: Beginning this week, the church office will be closed until August 25. Monica will be in the office July 7-10 and then periodically throughout the summer to keep up with the bulletins & data entry. Email is the most efficient method of messaging the church office as Monica monitors it daily on an ongoing basis.

It's time for a New Church Photo Directory!

Sittings will start at the end of August. Sign-up will be available after church services and on-line.





News Alert! Operating expenses don't take a summer break, Finance Committee reports. Efforts are being made to encourage SJR members to pay it forward or provide post-dated cheques for summer months. If the income stream dries up during July & August the congregation

may need to seek support from financial institutions. Experts in the field suggest members consider making a donation of \$25 to \$500 now to avert this possible situation. As Anne Frank once said "No one has ever become poor by giving."

Book Nook: Our volunteers have the summer off. We will be back in September. Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew Greeters Counters Nursery BookNook Lay Reader AV Crew Hong S., Charmian P. Marion M. & Fran C. Candy D., Herb & Lynda B. Evelyn S. Norma M. Anne W.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

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Food Truck Frenzy! Each Monday May 25-Aug 31 4:30

- 8 pm At Forest Hill united Church 121 Westmount Rd E.





Join us here at SJR all summer for shared services with Trinity United Church: July 5 - August 23 at 10:00 a.m. Check the website & the Record for more information & events.

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