
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

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~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



THE
FoodBank
OF WATERLOO REGION

October 25, 2015 - 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Mission & Outreach Service

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

Today our focus will be on the Food Bank. Here in Waterloo Region the need is food & funds. Funds to help transport, maintain our facility, and purchase key food items. The most needed food items are updated on their website www.thefoodbank.ca. Boxes can be found throughout the church and there are donation envelopes in the pews this morning. You are welcome to take it home with you to mail in or enclose a donation and place on the offering plate. Be sure to include your name and address on the envelope. Any amount is greatly appreciated and all donations will be receipted for Income Tax purposes by the Food Bank.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

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

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude **Chant de Matin**

(Leon Boëllman)

* Processional Hymn **All Who Hunger** VU 460

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

One: Light is a gift from God, a gift to be shared.

Jesus came into our midst as the light of the world,
bringing a love that joins us as one people of God.

As we light this candle, we are reminded that God's
eternal light and love are meant for all.

The Christ Candle is lit

Call To Worship

One: God calls us again and again.

All: In worship we hear this call.

One: God invites us over and over.

All: In awe and wonder we respond.

One: God's Spirit surrounds us.

All: In anticipation we offer our praise.

One: Let us worship God together

Opening Prayer

**All: Forgive us, Lord. Forgive us for not sharing the
bread that you have given us. Forgive us for not
seeing the hands outstretched calling out for**

bread, and for not recognizing them as yours. Forgive us for thinking that this is our bread and not your bread, Lord. Forgive us for not sharing the bread of life that you have given us. Amen

One: God loves us and gifts us with the eternal grace, light and love that only God can give. Let us join together in saying the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**All: 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: **“Operation Sharing”**

Prayer of Illumination:

One: Let us pray:

All: Thank you, God, for blue skies above, green grass below, good friends beside, fine food in front, and peace wherever it is found. Amen

Gospel Lesson: ***Matthew 14:13–21***

One: This is the Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to Christ the Word

Children’s Video:

Three German Students surprise a homeless man

Children’s Time: **Reaching out here at home**

Children’s Prayer:

All: May the blessing of the five loaves and the two fishes be ours also. May we be counted among the five thousand who ate and drank to their fill, and yet found enough to share beyond. Amen

Anthem: **I Saw the Rich Ones (Work for a World) MV 127**

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading: *Exodus 16:2–15*

One: Hear the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message: Food Bank of Waterloo Region – Caity & Adam C.

Silence

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn **You Satisfy the Hungry Heart** VU 478

Prayers of the People:

One: God of grace and compassion,
we bring before you the widening circles of our lives.
We lift up those closest and dearest to us
and name them with affection and gratitude
knowing that your love reaches
into the very depths of their needs
and celebrates the joys of their journeys.

**All: We are awed by your goodness.
May your blessings flow through us and beyond us.**

One: We are especially mindful this day of our Mission and
Service Fund and its work through World
Development & Relief.

We remember our partners and their ministries,
and ask that your Spirit guide these projects
with wisdom and courage, with joy and hope.

**All: We are awed by your goodness.
May your blessings flow through us and beyond us.**

One: We are in awe of your goodness
and feel the unity of our common humanity,
as well as the boldness of your Spirit,
so we offer these and all our prayers
in the name of Jesus Christ,
who loved the world and gave his life to redeem it.

All: Amen

Call for the Offering:

One: As we come to present our offerings we remember God's generous hospitality. Our calling is to feed those dismissed from the world's tables, that they may no longer feel hungry or alone. The offering will be received.

Offertory: **Aria** *(Samuel Wesley)*

* Offering Response

**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)*

**Self-giving God, we give you thanks for all the
blessings we know in this life
and for the opportunity to give back.
Use our offerings and our service
to touch human lives and communities
with the gentleness of your grace
and the vitality of your goodness.
This we offer in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE GOD

* Hymn **Go, Make a Diff'ence** MV 209

Commissioning

One: Go, knowing that your life has been touched by grace.
Go, convinced that you are connected to a larger world.
Go, filled with the love of the Gospel of Christ.

* 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

Allegro

(Henry Purcell)

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***Please join us for Gather n' Gab
immediately after today's service!***

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

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MISSING! Large DRAFT copy of the directory from the table outside the Rainbow Room. If you know its whereabouts, please return it ASAP. It contains notes required to update the final copy.



Omer Westendorf (1916-1997) wrote 'You Satisfy the Hungry Heart' (VU 478), originally titled 'Gift of Finest Wheat', for a hymn writing competition in 1976 where it was chosen as the winning entry. Westendorf got his start in music publishing after WWII when he brought home some Mass settings he had discovered in Holland. This led to the creation of the World Library of Sacred Music, initially a music importing firm bringing new European music to North America. Later it began publishing its own music, including some works by Westendorf.

Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993) wrote the lyrics for 'All Who Hunger' (VU 460) in 1990 and it was set to the tune 'Holy Manna' which was composed by Wm. Moore in 1825. Dunstan studied music from an early age but realized her hymn writing talents lay in creating lyrics not music. She was ordained by the Hamilton Conference of the United Church of Canada in 1980. During her career she served as a minister, prison chaplain and editor of the worship resource, Gathering



Margaret Hibbard will celebrate her 92nd birthday this week on October 29th! Best wishes only.

IN OUR CHURCH:

Book Nook: VeggieTales DVD #187 Noah's Ark. After 40 days & nights of rain, everyone's faith had been tested and they are ready to jump ship! Will they chart a new course, or will they remember to trust God's promises? Borrow for 2 weeks.



UCW Meeting: Tomorrow Oct. 26th at 7:30 p.m. in the parlour. Come and join us as we get to know our new Minister, Rev. Meg Masterson better. Also, Jim Carse will be demonstrating our defibrillator so that we will be prepared should we need to use it. All ladies are welcome!



Reel Theology: Tues., Oct. 27 at 5:30. Potluck. Film and discussion to follow. Reproductive cloning creates genetically exact duplicates of animals (like Dolly, the sheep in the early 2000's). Will "designer babies" be next? Will low income women sell their eggs for this purpose? Therapeutic cloning creates new cells (stem cells). Should human beings be able to benefit - repair of body organs or combat human diseases? Bill Nye explains the process in simple language for teens and adults. Sign up on back table or online.

Uppity Women of the Bible - Did you know there are 133 women named in the Old Testament and 33 women named in the New Testament? We're going to take a look at some of them beginning with that little book Song of Songs that comes right after Ecclesiastes. Join us **Wednesday, Oct. 28th from 7pm - 9pm in the Parlour.** Be prepared to laugh, to blush and to grow in your faith. Please sign the sheet in the Narthex if you plan to attend.



SJR Reads The last meeting of our book club for 2015 will be **Mon., Nov. 9th at 1:30** in the church parlour. We will be discussing the book **'Water for Elephants' by Sarah Gruen.** We have a KPL book club bag - call Charmian via the church office. if you would like to borrow one. All are welcome to join us for a good discussion and fellowship.

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Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew	AV Team
Greeters	Harvey & Tillie M. Marion M. & Fran C.
BookNook	Christine M.
Nursery	Margaret S. Sr.
Counters	Tom & Linda S., Cec O.
Ushers	Jim & Vikki T., Don & Anne W.
Gather 'N Gab	Evelyn S., Vikki T.
LayReader	Doug R.



IN OUR COMMUNITY

Draw the Circle Wide Inshallah Sings for Refugee Support Knox

Presbyterian Church 50 Erb St. W. in Waterloo 4 p.m., October 25th, 2015. Songs from Palestine, Mexico, Nigeria, Argentina and more! All donations will be given directly to ACT ALLIANCE. ACT Alliance is a coalition of churches and faith-based organizations working with refugees in more than 140 countries by supporting survivors of disasters, wars and conflicts. Alliance members are associated with the World Council of Churches or the Lutheran World.

John McDermott in Concert at Trinity United Church (74 Frederick St., Kitchener) on **Monday, December 7, 2015**. Concert begins at 7:30 pm; doors open at 6:30 pm. Tickets \$40 for concert only; \$50 for concert + meet-& -greet reception after the show. On sale now at Trinity, Mon - Thurs 9 am to 1 pm (cash only) or online at <http://tuckitchener.org> Proceeds in support of Trinity's mission work including Syrian Refugee Sponsorship and Homelessness Advocacy. For more information call 519-742-3578 ext 3 or email office@tuckitchener.org

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- Oct. 26 **UCW Mtg** - 7:30 in the Parlour - all ladies welcome!
- Oct. 27 **Reel Theology** 5:30 in Long Sunday School Rm
- Oct. 28 **VBS Bible Study** - 7:00 p.m. in the Parlour
- Oct. 29 **Choir Rehearsal** - 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room
- Nov. 9 **SJR Reads** - 1:30 in the Parlour

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We Share The Air!

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