
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

171 Sherwood Ave. Kitchener ON N2B 1K2

~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



Transformation

Sunday

February 7, 2016 - Communion
Worship Leader: Rev. Meg Masterson

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

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

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

One: Christ has been seen as the light of the world since the earliest days of the Christian faith.

All: May the light of Christ shine steadily in us.

Prelude Prelude in C Major

(from The Well-Tempered Clavier Bk.1)

(J.S. Bach)

*Opening Hymn: **Come Touch Our Hearts**

MV 12

Call to Worship

One: Jesus went to the mountain and was changed.
Transformed.

All: But change is hard for us.

One: Come touch our hearts that we may know
compassion.

All: But change is hard for us.

One: Come touch our souls that we may know and love
you.

All: But change is hard for us.

One: Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason.

All: But change is hard for us.

One: Open our lives, our hearts, our souls, our minds,

**All: Open us, O God, to your compassion, love, and
justice.**

Opening Prayer (*unison*)

God of grace and glory, we rejoice at what we can see and know of your presence with us. You meet us in the ordinary as well as the extraordinary moments of life. We look for you in the valleys and on the mountaintops. We gather to listen, to open ourselves to the possibilities, to allow ourselves to wonder and question, that our worship might lead us to a deeper, wider glimpse of you. Loving, protecting, challenging,

nurturing... touch us, set us free, then strengthen and transform us. May we love and serve you, in all that we are and do. We pray as Jesus taught:

**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

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture: II Corinthians 3:13-4:2 *The Message*

Anthem **Lord, I know I Been Changed** *(arr. Larry Shackley)*

Message: **From Glory Into Glory**

IN MEMORIAM

Honouring Those who Died in 2015

John Campbell	Paul Meincke
Alan Coward	Nancy Morrison
Susan Cressman	Robert Reist
Stephen Darash	Frederick Ripley
Mary Dorans	Robert Douglas
Rosemarie Edwards	Sanders
Ruth Fawcett	Sean Smith
Lorene Hay	Doris Smith
Douglas Justason	Eleanor Stroh
Joan McCormick	Winnifred Whitlock

“The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God and no torment will ever touch them... They are at peace.”

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1,2b

Prayers of the People

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music **Sixth Toccata** *(Johann Ernst Eberlin)*

* 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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*Dedication of the Offering (*unison*)

**All: Through the gifts that we freely bring
with hope and joy and love, Gracious God,
may we and your people around the world
continue to be changed,
in your process of transformation.**

Hymn **Now To Your Table Spread** VU 456

COMMUNION BEFORE ANNUAL MEETING

Invitation to Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Prayer Following Communion (*unison*)

**All: We give thanks that bread broken brings
wholeness; that wine poured out replenishes;
that time spent with the Risen Christ and one another is
gift and grace. Amen.**

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

*Closing Hymn **There's A Spirit in the Air** vs 1,2,3,6
VU 582 (*tune 234*)

* Commissioning (*unison*)

All: Life-giving God, may we who share Christ's body, live his risen life; may we who drink this cup, bring new life to others; may we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your people shall be free, and all creation will live to praise your name. 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

Sonata in D

(Domenico Scarlatti)

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***Please join us in the gym downstairs
after today's service for Gather n' Gab!***

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The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held TODAY after the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. *Please bring your copy of the annual report with you. Copies can be found at the back of the church. One per family, please.*

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Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference:
Maple Grove United Church, Oakville

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We welcome baby Will, born last month
to parents Ryan & Krista H.!



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The flowers in the church today are
in memory of Diane Mountain, loving
daughter of Jim & Norma M.



The Well-Tempered Clavier (Vol. I) is a collection of 24 preludes and fugues in all major and minor keys composed for solo keyboard by J. S. Bach in 1722.

In Bach's time Clavier (keyboard) was a generic name indicating a variety of keyboard instruments, typically the harpsichord or clavichord (the piano hadn't been invented yet). They were intended as teaching tools. Bach's title suggests that he wrote these for a 12-note 'well-tempered' tuning system in which all keys (scales) sounded in tune. During his time the more common tuning system was 'meantone temperament' where keys with many accidentals (black notes) would sound out of tune. Bach wrote a 2nd collection (Vol. 2), twenty years later.

IN OUR CHURCH:



Book Nook: Inside Out DVD #188 Running time 95 minutes. Our whole Sunday School is watching and discussing this movie. Riley is 11. She has five emotions that the children will discuss. This DVD is available for 2 weeks. If you haven't seen this movie yet, here is your opportunity. ENJOY!

SJR Reads is meeting **Monday, February 15th** at **1:30 p.m.** in the church parlour to discuss the book "They left us everything: a memoir" by Plum Johnson. Available at KPL. There is always an interesting discussion and a friendly welcome to all.

Easter Lilies & Hydrangeas will be purchased through the Flower Fund to decorate sanctuary for Easter. If you would like to make a memorial donation of \$10.00 to the Flower Fund, please sign the sheet in the narthex or on the bulletin board by the Church Office **by March 20th**. Place your donation in an envelope with your name and mark "**Easter Flower Fund**" and leave on the collection plate. A list of the names of the donors will be included in the Easter church bulletin.

Helpers For Our "Angels" We have 37 "angels" registered in our Nursery and Sunday School classes - and we're growing! We need your help: Having a 2nd person to assist with the Nursery or Sunday School is always helpful for the leader. We also need a team of two people to work together to teach from time to time. Please take a look at the sheets on the table and sign up for a Sunday or a series of Sundays. It's an easy way to get to know our "angels". You'll be glad you did... and so will we!

The Jesus Fatwah Much of what passes for information about Islam is weed-like disinformation rooted in stereotype & watered by fear. In *“The Jesus Fatwah - Love your (Muslim) Neighbour as Yourself”* - 17 Islamic & Christian scholars offer reliable information about what Muslims believe, how they live out their faith, and how we all can be about building relationships across the lines of faith. Join Rev. Meg for 5 weeks beginning **Wed., Feb. 10th in the Parlour 7 p.m.-9 p.m.** Sign the sheet in the Narthex.

Board and Committee News: We have new Co-Chairpeople to facilitate our 2016 Unified Board - Brian Madill & Teresa Carse! We need a Worship Committee Chairperson to coordinate the committee & organize with the minister when 'what services' will take place. We need a person to coordinate the Pastoral Care & Membership Committee, a committee with dedicated visitors & people to keep up our membership contact. We also have six more committee positions to fill. Please look at the list in the Rainbow Room and consider volunteering your time & talent for one year on the Unified Board. There are 5 Board meetings in a year and the committees meet at the will of the Chairperson.

World Day Of Prayer SJR, Stanley Park Baptist, Kitchener East Presbyterian, St. Anthony Daniel RC, & Hope Lutheran invite you to join us on **Friday, March 4th at 2:00 p.m. at Stanley Park Baptist Church** (the corner of Lorraine and River Road)

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew	AV Team
Greeters	Terry & Sandra J. Marion M. & Fran C.
Nursery	Alison R.
Gather N Gab	Jessie M., Michelle S.
BookNook	Christine M.
Counters	Candy D., Doug & Alison R.
Ushers	Bob & Gail C., Doug R., Luella C.
Lay Reader	Corinne W.



IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Singer-Songwriter Ali Matthews in Concert! Benefit Concert for our Refugee Fund Saturday, **February 27, 2016 at 7:30 pm** Calvary United Church, St Jacobs. Free Will Offering.

Music of Heart and Home Benefit Concert Proceeds to Syrian refugee family sponsored by K-W Heart and Home **Sunday, March 6 2:30 pm** Knox Presbyterian Church 50 Erb St W, Waterloo \$20/\$10 students 519-745-1205

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- Feb. 7 **SJR Reads** 1:30 p.m. in the Parlour
- Feb. 10 **VBS Bible Study** - 7:00 p.m. in the Parlour
- Mar. 4 **World Day of Prayer** - 2 p.m. Stanley Park Baptist
- Mar. 20 **Easter Flower Donation Deadline**

*Please check the bulletin board for
upcoming community events*

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Note Change: Office hours for February:
Wed. - Fri. 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Find out about SJR church service cancellations
due to weather conditions tune into:**

- Church Website: sjruc.ca
- CHYM FM 96.7
- 570 AM News



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We Share The Air! SJR is a smoke-free & fragrance-free facility.