

St. James'-Rosemount United Church

171 Sherwood Ave. Kitchener ON N2B 1K2

~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



May 29, 2016 – Second Sunday of Pentacost
Worship Leader: Teresa Carse, LLWL

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

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

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

One: In the dawn's cool glow, in the bright of the day,
in the evening's painted sky, in nighttime's starry dark

**All: the Christ-light shines,
made bright by God's love for all.**

Prelude **Song Without Words** *(Felix Mendelssohn)*

*Opening Hymn **When Long Before Time** VU 248

Call to Worship

One: With loud invitations calling us from festivals
and with soft-spoken wisdom:

All: sing to God new songs of wonder!

One: With seasons changing, bringing new life
and with jack hammers tearing up our streets:

All: sing to God new songs of joy!

One: With fireworks in summer's night skies,
and with the silent stroke of a paddle on a still
morning lake

All: sing to God new songs of grace!

One: With crowds cheering for the local sports team
and with children whispering dreams to their pets

All: sing to God new songs of hope!

Opening Prayer (unison)

**O Spirit of Singing,
your song is welcome and holiness,
healing and trust.
Teach us a new song to sing your praise;
tune our ears to melodies we have never heard,
that we may add our voices to the harmony**

uniting all creation as one
in adoration and thanksgiving of you,
through Christ, your all-embracing song. Amen.

One: God of Awe and Wonder, hear us now as we join
together in 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.**

Story Time

Children Go to Classes

Anthem: **Come, Let Us Sing** *(Russell Nagy)*

Minute for Mission

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary MV 18

Reading from the Psalms: **Psalms 96**

Hymn: **Come, Let Us Sing** VU 222

Reflection: **The Call of Nature** Teresa Carse

Hymn **It's a Song of Praise to the Maker** MV 30

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory **Prelude** *(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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*Dedication of the Offering

**Holy One, we ask for your blessing upon all that
we offer: our voices, as we lift them up in songs
of praise; our hearts, as we open them in prayer;
our time, as we reach out to those in need; our
treasures, made possible by your generous gifts.
May all that we offer be used for the building of
your kin-dom.**

Prayers for the People

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

*Closing Hymn

Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped VU 221

* Commissioning

* 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

Presto

(Giovanni Battista Pescetti)

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Join us after the service for Gather 'n' Gab!

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Giovanni Battista Pescetti (c. 1704 -1766) was an organist and composer who was born in Venice. His compositional output consists mainly of operas and in 1736 he moved to London to become director of the Opera of the Nobility (an opera company set up by a group of nobles who opposed George II of England, in order to compete with the Royal Academy of Music, a company backed by the King). Pescetti had to return to Venice in 1745 because of hostility in London against Catholic Italians. He became organist at St. Mark's Basilica and was an active teacher of composition.

IN OUR CHURCH:

Spring Sale! in the "Library Cellar"....from May 15th to June 30th. Get your summer reading for only 50¢ a book. All money collected will go to purchase new books and DVDs for our library. Donations happily accepted.

Join the SJR Lawnmower Racing Team!

Cruise with the wind in your hair on the riding lawn mower! Keys to the garage are available for the asking - see Dave B.. ***Sign up today in the narthex.***

Book Nook: **Jesse's Surprise Gift** *written by Laura Alary. Illustrated by Ariane Elsammak.* Jesse wants a guitar but his mother cannot afford to buy him one. Journey with Jesse as he learns the art of giving and receiving. Ages 9-12. On display - borrow for 3 weeks.

SJR Reads - Next meeting is ***TOMORROW Monday, May 30th*** at 1:30 p.m. in the church parlour. Come in the door off the narthex. We will be discussing our last book before summer - ***"Wake: a novel" by Anna Hope.*** This book is available at KPL. Come join this wonderful group for some interesting discussions!

The UCW will be meeting on MON. May 30 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parlour. Hong S. and Charmian P. will share with us highlights of their recent trip to Cambodia. All are welcome

UCW Spring Fling, our end of year outing on **June 14th** will be informative and fun. **Meet at SJR 9:45** to car pool to Mennonite Central Committee for tour, then 11:45 lunch at Rockway Senior Centre. Lunch will be a full three course meal (soup or salad, meat, potatoes, veggies, dessert and coffee or tea) for \$9.85. A great deal! ALL ladies are welcome. **Donations to MCC for Fort McMurray Relief Fund will be gratefully accepted.** Please contact Peggy S. via the church office by June 12th.

Finance updates:

- All offerings, donations and PAR processing have been transitioned to our Church office and are being processed through PowerChurch. Thank you Monica and Jessie for making this happen. Also, thank you Jessie for the many years of service that you have provided for our church.
- PAR, pre-authorized remittance - credit cards can now be used to make PAR payments and reward points can be collected through your favourite credit cards.
- Online Payment - our church has implemented an online payment system, Canadahelps.org, through our web site. This online payment system is an addition to our current process. Canadahelps.org will allow donors to make a one-time offering or regular offerings to our church via Master Cards, Visa, Interac and Paypal.
- Treasurer's back-up person - Grace A. has agreed to be the back-up resource for our treasurer, Scott W. Grace will be learning about our budget and processes from Scott in order to cover the treasurer's functions in a situation when Scott is not available. No, we are not replacing Scott! Scott has done an excellent job and will continue to do so. Thank you Scott and Grace.
- Stewardship - the Finance committee and the Unified Board have agreed to separate 'Stewardship' from the Finance committee since Stewardship is about sharing time and talents as well as donations. We will conduct a study or brainstorming session(s) to determine how we best proceed with the separation. Hosted lunch session(s) will take place at our church to invite everyone's input into the process and mandate. This is your opportunity to take part in shaping our church's future direction in stewardship. More details to come.

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!



AV Crew	AV Team
Greeters	Glenn and Donna T. Marion Mc. & Fran C.
BookNook	Norma M.
Nursery	Margaret S. Sr., Donna S.
Counters	Steve W., Eric W., Nancy S.
Ushers	Evelyn S., Roy K. George C., Donna S.
LayReader	Don W.
Gather 'n' Gab	Rosemary & Gordon A.

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Benefit Concert: Rebecca Binnendyk will be performing a benefit concert on Sunday, **May 29 at Calvary Memorial United Church**, Gruhn Street, Kitchener at **2:00 p.m.** Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students. They can be purchased from the office at either church, or at the door. Proceeds will support the Community Ministry Program offered jointly by Calvary Memorial United Church and St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

The Kitchener-Waterloo Community Orchestra presents Terry McKenna, **Classical Guitar in concert Saturday June 4**, 8 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church (50 Erb St., W. Waterloo). Performance includes; Estacio - A Farmer's Symphony, Giuliani - Concert #3, Op. 70, for Terz Guitar and Beethoven Symphony #1. Tickets \$15 Adults, \$12 Univ./College, \$5 High School or younger. For more information visit www.kwco.org.

The Coalition of Muslim Women of KW: Meet the men who stand beside us! A celebration of our male allies who support, empower and inspire us. **Saturday, June 4, 2016. 1 pm - 7 pm Free.** Open to all. Kitchener City Hall

Food Truck Nights Take a break from cooking supper! Different participating food trucks on a rotating basis. Until mid-Sept:



Monday evenings 4:30 - 8 pm

@ Forest Hill United,

Wednesday Evenings 4:00 - 8:00

@ Parkminster United

Lunch Hour Concerts Are Back! St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. 54 Queen Street North, Kitchener. **Each Wednesday 12:15 pm - 1:00 pm in the sanctuary.** The concert is FREE to the public. Purchase lunch for \$6 starting at 11:30 a.m. or bring your own.

An Invitation from KW Peace... KW Peace is a growing collective of groups in your community that work for peace and social justice. We welcome new members to our planning groups, and we welcome you to be part of our peace and social justice community. Our next major event is the **12th annual Day in the Park: July 9, 2016, 12pm - 5pm** a day of family fun, entertainment and presentations at Victoria Park Island. See kwpeace.ca for events. Contact bjonkman@kwpeace.ca for information posting an event to the KW Peace calendar or to join a planning group. See you July 9!

See the Community Bulletin Board for more events!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- ☐ May 30 **SJR Reads** 1:30 p.m. in the Parlour
- ☐ May 30 **UCW Mtg** - 7:30 in the Parlour
- ☐ June 1 **VBS** - "Questions of Faith" - 7 p.m. in the Parlour
- ☐ June 7 **Confirmation and Communion Service**
- ☐ June 12 **"Celebrate our Children" Service**
- ☐ June 14 **UCW Spring Fling** 9:45 a.m. SJR Parking Lot
- ☐ July 28 **Orange Bus Ramble 2**
- ☐ Aug. 3 **Orange Bus Ramble 2** (sold out)

Please check the bulletin board & www.sjruc.ca for more upcoming events.



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**"We are not here to be successful.
We are here to be faithful."**

—Mother Teresa