St. James'-Rosemount United Church

171 Sherwood Ave. Kitchener ON N2B 1K2

~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



June 5, 2016 – Third Sunday of Pentacost Worship Leader: Rev. Meg Masterson

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WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

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

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting & Lighting the Christ Candle

One: Jesus is the Light of the World.

All: May Jesus' light shine on us, and may Jesus' love

shine through us, in all we do and say.

Prelude Air (from Water Music)

(G. F. Handel)

*Opening Hymn

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus VU 357 vs 1,2,4

Call to Worship

One: All who are filled with hope and joy,

All: this is a celebration of Jesus with us.

One: All who are bent over with worry, All: this is a place of sanctuary.

One: All who are burdened with life,

All: this is a house of care.

One: All who are lost to community, **All:** this is a company of welcome.

One: All who travel with questions,

All: this is a community of seekers.

One: All who reach out for God.

All: this is a sacred space of worship.

One: Come, let us worship.

Opening Prayer (unison) & Lord's Prayer (sung)

Gracious God of Compassion and Love, you have always known our names. We give you thanks that you are always present to seek us out, to celebrate our worth, and to call us to follow Jesus' way. You call out our names today. Guide us to hear and follow you today, that day by day, our lives will be transformed and renewed. We pray as we sing:

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done. Hallowed be Thy name.

As in heaven, so on the earth; Hallowed be Thy name; Give us this day our daily bread. Hallowed be Thy name.

And forgive us God all our debts; Hallowed be Thy name; As we forgive all our debtors. Hallowed be Thy name.

And lead us not into temptation; Hallowed be Thy name; But deliver us from all evil. Hallowed be Thy name. For Thine is the Kingdom, Power and glory; Hallowed be Thy name:

Forever and forever and ever. Hallowed be Thy name.

Amen, amen, it shall be so; Hallowed be Thy name; Amen, amen, it shall be so. Hallowed be Thy name.

From "All God's Children Sing", Wood Lake Publishing, License #0213615

Children's Time

Younger Children Go to Classes

Anthem: Love Grows Here (Don Besig)

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmands & Their Mentors:

Emily S. Valerie H. Jacob S. Steve W. Charmian P.

New Testament Letter: Philippians 2:1-11

One: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ

All: Thanks be to God.

Declaration Of Faith By Confirmands

* Congregational Commitment

One: Let us pledge to these candidates our continued support and care:

All: We will continue to support you, walk with you, and grow with you.

* Affirmation Of Faith - A New Creed VU 918
We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

Blessing Of The Candidates

Presentation Of Bibles And Certificates

Meditation: Hong Seang Shares Stories of His Faith Journey

Prayers of the People

*Hymn Lord of the Dance

VU 352 vs 1-3

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Andante (from Eine kleine Nachtmusik)
(Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart)

* 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

May your presence shine through us as, in many ways, we share your love, compassion, hope, peace, and life, within our church family, and with your global family. Amen.

COMMUNION

Communion Hymn Draw the Circle Wide

MV 145

Prayer Following Communion

All: God who makes all things new, we thank you for welcoming us as we are and for calling us to follow Jesus and share in this meal. We give thanks for the bond of this ritual that joins us in solidarity to all who call upon your name. May your wisdom grow within us. Send us out into the world as persons of courage, compassion, and commitment. We will go where you lead us, and hold your people in our hearts. Amen.

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

* Closing Hymn Here I Am Lord

VU 509

- * 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

Hornpipe (from Water Music) (G. F. Handel)

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

Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference: **St. John's United Church, Oakville, Halton Presbytery**

MUSIC Motes The Andante or Romanza by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, is the 2nd movement of his 'Eine Kleine Nachtmusik'. The literal translation of the title is 'A Little Night Music' but the more accurate translation

is 'A Little Serenade'. Written in 1787, it wasn't published until almost 40 years after his death even though it had been sold to the publisher in 1799 by Mozart's widow as a part of a large bundle of his compositions. The work was written for a string quartet with optional double bass but is regularly performed by string orchestras today.



Congratulations to Roy G. & Debbie E.

who were married at SJR yesterday.
We wish you God's richest blessings for your marriage!

IN OUR CHURCH:

<u>Church Photo Directories are Here!</u> If you've had your photo taken for the directory, there is a directory for you with your name on it. Check your mailboxes, or in the narthex, or in the office Tues.- Fri.



<u>Sunday, June 12 is Rev. Meg's final Sunday with us</u>. Please join us as we say *Thank You* and wish her well in her future ministries.

June 12th - a special Sunday:

• Celebrating Our Children - join us June 12th in celebrating our children and youth and recognizing all the wonderful people who support them through the nursery and Sunday School.

• Sundae Sunday - join us in the gym after the service June

12th to enjoy a delicious ice cream sundae with lots of toppings to choose from and served by our children & youth.

June Nursery Coverage: Two volunteers will be on duty in the Nursery (for children 3 & under) each Sunday in June. Since there will be no Sunday School Classes after the "Celebrating Our Children" Service on June 12th, children aged 8 & under will be welcome in the Nursery on June 19 and 26.



<u>SJR's Prayer Shawl Ministry</u>: This quiet ministry has been a part of the life and works of SJR for several years. Prayer shawls can be knit or crocheted, and are given for a variety of reasons - illness, bereavement, thanksgiving, celebration,

friendship ... the reasons are endless! In creating a shawl, the maker begins with prayers and blessings for whomever will receive it (known or unknown). The intentions (or prayers) are continued throughout the creation of the shawl. Upon completion, a final blessing is offered before the shawl is sent on its way. We've delivered them locally, to the east & west coasts of Canada, and as far away as Africa. If you, or someone you know, would benefit from a "hug from God" - a prayer shawl - or if you'd like more information on how to be a part of this ministry, please send an email to prayershawls@sjruc.ca

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.

<u>Book Nook</u>: When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi At the age of thirty six on the verge of completing a decade's worth of training as a neurosurgeon, Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. One day he was a doctor treating the dying, and the next he was a patient struggling to live. You will not forget this book! On display -borrow for 3 weeks.



<u>UCW Spring Fling</u>, 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.

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew Jim C.

Greeters Marion M. & Fran C.

BookNook Steve W.

Nursery Margaret S.h Sr., Krista H. Counters Teresa C., Ed & Ellen E.

Ushers Don & Anne W.,

Gordon & Rosemary A.

LayReader Valerie H.

Gather 'n' Gab Evelyn S., Debbie S.

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

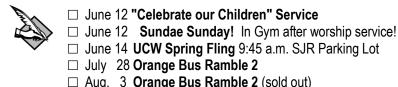
Food Truck Nights Take a break from cooking supper! Different participating food trucks on a rotating basis. Until mid-Sept: Monday evenings 4:30 - 8 pm @ Forest Hill United, and Wednesday Evenings 4:00 - 8:00 @ Parkminster United

<u>Lunch Hour Concerts Are Back!</u> 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:



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



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Office hours for June:
Tues. - Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Note: The church office will be closed until August 30th. The office will be staffed periodically through the summer and voice mail and email will be monitored.



"We are Christians and strangers on this earth.

Let none of us be frightened;

our native land is not this world."

— St. Augustine of Hippo