
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

171 Sherwood Ave. Kitchener ON N2B 1K2

~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



Sunday, September 25, 2016
Worship Leader: Rev. Chris Fickling

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

Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning. Please join us in the Rainbow Room after worship for refreshments and fellowship.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S HOPE

VU: Voices United

MV: More Voices

**Please Rise in Body and/or Spirit as you are able.*

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

One: Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.' *(John 8:12)*

All: Let us share in this light together

Prelude **Halling**

(Edvard Grieg)

*Opening Hymn **I Am the Light of the World** VU 87 v 2 - 4

Call to Worship

One: People of God, look around and see the faces of those we know and love—

**All: neighbours and friends, sisters and brothers—
a community of kindred hearts.**

One: People of God, look around and see the faces of those we hardly know—

**All: strangers, visitors, forgotten friends—
the ones who need an outstretched hand.**

One: People of God, look around and see all the images of God assembled here.

**All: In me, in you, in each of us,
God's spirit shines for all to see.**

One: People of God, come. Let us worship together.

Opening Prayer

written by St. Boniface (ca. 672-754)

One: Eternal God, the refuge and help of all your children,
we praise you for all you have given us,
for all you have done for us,
for all that you are to us.

In our weakness, you are strength,
in our darkness, you are light,
in our sorrow, you are comfort and peace.
We cannot number your blessings,
we cannot declare your love:
For all your blessings we bless you.
May we live as in your presence,
and love the things that you love,
and serve you in our daily lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who brings us together in prayer, saying,

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Hymn **Here at This Font**

VU 450

Story Time **Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism**

We welcome by baptism:

Henry Kenneth Neil Gamer-McGill
Son of Sara-Ann Gamer and Jason McGill

Words of Faith – A New Creed

**All: 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.

Baptism

Blessing

VU 965

**All: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.
The Lord make his face to shine upon thee,
and be gracious unto thee:
the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee,
and give thee peace. Amen**

Welcome **I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry** VU 644

*Youth & Children are invited to
head out for Sunday School!*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Minute for Mission

Readings from the Scriptures: **1 Timothy 6:6-19**

Anthem

The Blessing Riddle

(Pepper Choplin)

Meditation

Take hold of the life that really is life

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

VU 642

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music

Tranquilly

(C. Hubert H. Parry)

* 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.**

Words & music © A. Baer, 2013, arr. S. Porter

All: We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us. In the upside down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give away. Let us give away generously, in this offering, to bless your church, your people, your creation. Amen

Prayers of the People

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

* Closing Hymn

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

VU 512

* 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)

Please Be Seated

Postlude

'Andante Largo' from Trumpet Voluntary *(John Stanley)*

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

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Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference:

Cape Croker United Church, Bruce Presbytery

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The Halling is a folk dance traditionally performed in rural Norway. This particular melodic fragment comes from the Osterdal region. Edvard Grieg was a Norwegian composer and pianist known for his use of Norwegian folk music in his compositions. He is considered to be Norway's greatest composer and brought the beauty of the country's rural life and culture to Europe and the world through such compositions as the Peer Gynt Suites.



The flowers in the Sanctuary are placed in memory of Bob Sanders, placed by his wife Joan and their family. We keep Joan and her family in our prayers today and always.

IN OUR CHURCH:



Sunday School is waiting for you! All children are invited to join in our classes today. The primary class (JK to grade 2) with returning teacher Jan O. meets in the Long Sunday

School Room, and the rest of the children will be meeting in the Rose Room with Olivia C., our newest teacher. Holly S., our new superintendent, will be available during this time as well. Welcome to Olivia and Holly who are joining our great Sunday School.

Join us Wednesday evenings 7 pm to 9 pm for six weeks this fall as we explore "Embracing Spiritual Awakening", a DVD study with Diana Butler Bass and Tim Scorer. We'll discover what Christianity may look like "beyond religion and beyond the church" both culturally and spiritually. Are we in the midst of another of history's great awakenings? Come and share your thoughts. Please sign the sheet on the Narthex table if you plan to attend or email biblestudy@sjruc.ca .. Thanks!

SJR Reads We will be meeting in the Parlour on **Monday Sept. 26th at 1:30 p.m.** to discuss our first book this fall, **'A House in the Sky: A Memoir' by Amanda Lindhout and Sarah**

Corbett. This book is available at KPL and in our own Book Nook. We welcome all to come and join in the conversation. Note that we hope to attend the One Book One Community 2016 event on September 27th at 7 p.m. at Central Library to meet the author. More info to follow.



UCW Meeting: Our Women's group is having a meeting Monday evening **Sept. 26 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parlour. Judy Frank will share the story and history of the National Service Dogs of Cambridge. She'll bring her dog and loads of information about an extremely active group - ie: they have 400 people from volunteers, to dog sitters, trainers,

breeders, to vets, plus plus! Most unpaid!!! You do not have to be a card carrying member - to come to this meeting, in fact, we don't have "cards"... Come one, come all - the invitation includes men.... We worship, we socialize, we learn & we eat... Does it sound like fun? It is.!

Cookie Walk Volunteers Needed! Come join us in planning for the Cookie Walk on **Oct. 2nd** in the Rainbow Room after the service. (Cookie Walk will be Dec. 3rd.)



Kenya Project: We are beginning our campaign to continue sponsoring High School Students at Nyasanda Community High School in Ugunja in 2017. We start with the TOONIE campaign. Some people like to contribute by saving their loose change. If you are one of these pick up a container (35mm film container) and begin to put your spare TOONIES in it. They are located on the table in the narthex. Once full you will have \$50.00 to contribute. Put your name and envelope number on it and put it on the collection plate by **December 15th**

Book Nook: *The Day the Crayons Quit* - Drew Daywalt,



illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. Poor Duncan just wants to colour, but when he opens his box of crayons he finds only letters all saying the same thing: "We quit."

What is Duncan to do? Read and discover the answer!

On display. Borrow for 3 weeks.

SJR's Ad in the Record Newspaper: Due to an increase in cost, we have re-evaluated the weekly church advertisement in the Record newspaper. A decision has been made to discontinue the ad. We encourage everyone to visit the church website at sjruc.ca, and to review the announcements in the bulletin for information on events.

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew	AV team
BookNook	Steve W.
Counters	Jim C., Les & Bev H.
Ushers	Don & Anne W., Debbie S., Evelyn S.
Greeters	Bill & Millie W.
Lay Reader	Valerie H.
Nursery	Margaret S., Sr., Krista H.
Gather n'Gab	Ellen & Ed E.

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Awakening a New Heart: Body-Mind-Spirit Practices, **Tuesday Sept. 27 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am** at the SJR outdoor labyrinth. All are welcome, bring a friend along. We will be indoors if it rains. Contact Rev. Tiina at 519-635-5792.

Choir for those living with dementia, their partners in care, & students from regional high schools. Starting October, **3 pm on Thursdays** you & your partner-in-care are invited to join us as a participatory music-maker in this intergenerational choir! Sing, connect with each other and with the students. This musical circle is for enjoyment & support; no previous music or singing experience required. All music supplied. There will be a time to get to know each other after singing each week. The choir will be hosted in downtown Kitchener, free parking on site. Contact Sasha Judelson at 519-342-4764 or circleofmusickw@gmail.com - information flyers available on community bulletin board.

Laughter Yoga: Combining yoga breathing and easy-to-do laughter exercises. All (adult) ages are welcome - no experience needed! Reduce stress, oxygenate your body, improve your mood! You will leave with a smile on your face and an overall feeling of well-being. Westminster United Church, 543 Beechwood Dr. **Tues. 7-8 pm:** Oct 25, Nov 8, Nov 22, Dec 13. **Wed. 11 am-12 pm:** Oct 5, Oct 19, Nov 16, Nov 30, Dec 7, Dec 21 \$7 per class or \$50 for 8 classes (your first class is FREE!) RSVP 2 days before each class to reserve spot. Contact: Karen Dinsmore 519-746-5519 (H) 519-500-1719 (C) kdinsmore.pl@gmail.com

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- ☐ Sept 26 **SJR Reads** 1:30 p.m. in the Parlour
- ☐ Sept 26 **UCW Mtg** - Parlour 7:30 p.m.
- ☐ Sept 28 **Embracing Spiritual Awakening** - Parlour 7 p.m.
- ☐ Sept 29 **Choir** - 7:30 p.m. in Rainbow Rm
- ☐ Oct. 2 **Cookie Walk Planning** After service in Parlour
- ☐ Oct. 18 **Reel Theology** - 5:30 Long Sunday School Room

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