St. James'-Rosemount United Church

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~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



Sunday, October 23, 2016 Worship Leader: Rev. Chris Fickling

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

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning. Please join us in the Gym after worship for lunch & 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: It may only be one candle, Against a sea of night, All:

One: But we cannot help but share it.

All: This, our light of lights.

Prelude **Andante Tranquillo** (Felix Mendelssohn)

*Opening Hymn Spirit of the Living God VU 376

Call to Worship

One: This is a moment to pause.

To listen.

To see the work of God here in this place, and in every place.

This work is not always the grandiose displays of new life, but in the small, quiet ways we bless one another. day in and day out.

Like breathing, love should be,

flowing into us and out again.

So let us pause, listen and see, God's work of love, revealed to us.

Prayer of Confession adapted from a prayer by Jan Sutch Pickard (based on Luke 18:9-14)

All: Listening, watchful God, help us to be honest.

As we share our successes and our failings. One:

as we are painfully aware of our edges of growth,

as we discern your voice among many.

Help us to be honest. All:

One: It's easy to distance ourselves, that we are nothing like the 1 percent, the 'haves' who care nothing for the 'have-nots': we're eloquent in the language of sharing.

All: Or at least that's what we say.

One: Help us to pray honestly, with reverence and hope, for we pray together 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.

One: Help us to not just talk the talk, being our best for one hour a week, or when other people are watching.

All: Help us to be honest:
help us to be honest about our failings,
how far we still have to go
how much we have to learn
how deep we have to love.

And help us, honestly, to love justice, to seek mercy, and to walk humbly in your Way. Amen.

Response What Does the Lord Require of You? VU 701 (first time through we will sing each verse, and then the second time through we will divide and sing it as a round)

Story Time Gifts which surround us, protect us, bless us

Response **Ev'ry Day is a Day of Thanksgiving** MV 185 (refrain only, sung twice)

Youth and Children are invited to head out for Sunday School

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Minute for Mission

Solo How I love your word

(Mark Hayes)

Nikki Ferreira, Soprano

Readings from the Scriptures: Luke 18: 9-14

Meditation The Still Small Voice

Anthem Dear Lord and Father

(C. Hubert, H. Parry)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music Melody

(Moritz Moskowski)

* 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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Prayers of the People

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

* Closing Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness

VU 288

- * 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

Fugue in A Major

(Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau)

^{*}Dedication of the Offering

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





Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference: Christ the King, Kitchener, Waterloo Presbytery

MUSIC Motes Thomas Chisholm was born in a log cabin in Kentucky in 1866. During his lifetime he was a teacher, newspaper editor and insurance agent. He was also a prolific writer, penning over 1200 poems. His aim in writing was to incorporate as

much Scripture as possible and to avoid flippant or sentimental themes. 'Great Is Thy Faithfulness' was written in 1923. He sent it to his friend, Wm. M. Runyan who set it to music. Runyon was a musician, composer, ordained Methodist minister and a professor and preacher at Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas. The hymn was so well received that, after his death, a scholarship was created in Runyan's name using the royalties from the hymn.

IN OUR CHURCH:

<u>UCW Meeting</u> This year marks the 100th anniversary of Freeport Heath Centre. Freeport opened in 1916 as a sanatorium for tuberculosis patients. It was also used as a military hospital, and morphed into a rehab centre as treatments for tuberculosis improved. These days, it specializes in areas including mental health, stroke recovery, long-term care and general rehabilitation. Join us on *Monday Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m. in the Parlour* as Bernice Uebele, who volunteers in the archives at Freeport, will be sharing some of Freeport's very interesting history.

<u>Awakening a New Heart</u>: Body-Mind-Spirit Practices. Workshop offered by Rev. Tiina Cote. *October 25, at 10 a.m.* at the labyrinth (Rainbow Room if the weather is inclement). All welcome!

Embracing a Life of Meaning Join us on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 in the Parlour beginning October 26th as we join best-selling author Kathleen Norris for a unique viewpoint on "what matters most" We'll take five weeks to discuss Belief Matters, The Bible Matters, Community Matters, Place Matters and We Matter. Please sign the sheet on the Narthex table if you plan to join us. Thanks!

Fashion Show: You are invited to attend a Fashion Show by Nygards hosted by St. James'~Rosemount UCW. Come out for an afternoon of fun, fashions and refreshments on Tuesday *November 1st at 1:30 p.m*. The fashion show will be held at the Nygard Store at the Sunrise Shopping Centre. Tickets are \$10.00 each and can be purchased from Gail C. or Muriel S. via the church office. Buy your tickets early as there are only 50 tickets for sale. All proceeds will go towards the Mission & Service Fund.

Our next Communion Service: Remembrance Sunday, Nov. 6.

Invitation from the Finance Committee: On Sunday, Nov. 6th, the Finance Committee invites you to join us in the gym to share a light lunch and a discussion about stewardship at St. James'~Rosemount United Church. As in our community where stewardship is often associated with managing our natural environment, so too must we manage our church community. Stewardship at SJRUC could mean things like helping to prepare lunches, being on the Unified Board, singing in the choir, funding church operations, helping in the nursery, or being a Lay Reader. Please join us on Sunday, November 6th to start a discussion about how we can best be stewards of the SJRUC community.

<u>Membership Sunday</u> will be *November 13th*. Those wishing to transfer membership or join by Profession of Faith please speak to Rev. Chris or Monica at the church office. We will be having a "getting to know you" evening *Nov. 11th at 7 p.m.* to answer questions, have a short tour, and enjoy some light refreshments. We are pleased to see all the new faces and hope you will make St. James'~Rosemount United Church your home.

Book Nook: *Made For Goodness, written by Desmond Tutu and Mpho Tutu* - Desmond Tutu has walked the talk all his adult life. We can all be grateful that, together with his daughter Mpho, he has now shared his secrets of why he has so much hope and joy. On display - Borrow for 3 weeks.

Remit Day - Saturday, November 19th What is a remit? It is a proposed change to the United Church's foundational policies ("Basis of Union"). The General Council agrees to the change, and then every presbytery (and for significant changes, each pastoral charge) gets to vote on the change. There are 5 remits we will be asked to consider and vote on. They are:

- Changing to a Three-Council model (National, Regional, Local)
- 2. Ending the Transfer/Settlement process
- 3. Setting up a national **Office of Vocation**

- 4. **Funding** for the new model
- 5. Moving to One Order of Ministry

Check the bulletin board in the Narthex for more details. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex if you are interested in going to Remit Day - we could car pool. A sign-up sheet is also in the Narthex if you would like to get together to discuss these remits on *Sunday*, *October 30th following the Service (11:45 to 12:30)*

Order your Christmas poinsettias! UCW Mission & Service Fundraiser. Red, pink or white - 3 sizes: \$ 6.50 for 4 ½ " pot, \$11.00 for 6" pot, \$28.00 for 10" pot. Call 519-742-1002 or email mail@sjruc.ca. Orders will be taken 3 Sundays: Nov. 6, 13, & 20. Pick up your Poinsettia

Thank

plants Dec. 3, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. when you visit the annual Cookie Walk

Thanks to our Volunteers this week!

AV Crew AV Team Book Nook Steve W.

Counters Hong S., Les & Bev H.
Greeters Hong S., Charmian P.

Ushers Ena A., Cec O., Gordon & Rosemary A.

Lay Reader Corrine W.

Nursery Christine M., Evelyn S. Gather n'Gab Dianne D., Tisha T.

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Hearty Country Pork Supper Bridgeport United Church (40 Bridge St. W., Kitchener) is hosting their Annual Hearty Country Pork Supper *Tues. Oct* **25, 5-7 pm.** Treat yourself to a hearty country meal Including: Roast Pork, BUC Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Corn,Pie. Tickets available at the door or reserve by calling 519 745-0931 or emailing BUC1@bellnet.ca. Adults - \$15.00, Children under 10 - \$6.00. CRAFT & BAKE TABLE hosted by the BUC UCW where you can purchase BUC's famous homemade sauerkraut & other yummy treats!

<u>Week of Guided Prayer</u>: Calvary Memorial United Church, 91 Gruhn St. Kitchener invites you to participate in a week of guided prayer "Woven with God's Love." Sunday Oct. 30th to Saturday Nov. 5. Contact the church office 519-744-9696 for more info.

<u>Laughter Yoga</u>: 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! 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

<u>Come and celebrate!</u> 10th Anniversary of Parkminster United Church becoming an affirming congregation, welcoming the LGBT community into church life. *November 13, 2016*. Service starts at 10:00 am. Featuring music by our special guests, The Rainbow Chorus of Waterloo-Wellington. Parkminster United Church, 275 Erb St. E., More info: eforde@sentex.ca

Mindful Makers PA Day Camp: Friday, Nov. 18. At this one day workshop we will be teaching the art of polymer clay sculpture. The project we have designed is a Tiny Gnome Home which is created by hand forming the clay over a glass jar and then baking it in an oven to harden. We will also be teaching advanced painting techniques to give your sculptures a realistic look. This camp is for ages 7 to 14 and the cost is \$80 plus HST, all materials are included. Runs 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, additional before and after care is available. Location: Cedars House at Westminster United Church, 543 Beechwood Dr. More info: www.mindfulmakers.ca.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

5/14
March 1

- □ Oct. 24 **UCW Meeting** 7:30 in the Parlour
- □ Oct. 25 Awaking the Heart 10 a.m. Labyrinth/Rainbow Rm
- □ Oct. 27 **Choir** 7:30 p.m. in Rainbow Rm
- □ Nov. 1 Nygards Fashion Show hosted by UCW
- □ Nov. 6 Communion Service
- □ Nov. 13 Membership Sunday

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

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