
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

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~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~

Anniversary Sunday



Sunday, April 30, 2017

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 Gym after worship
today for fundraiser lunch All are welcome!*

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: In this time, God declares: "I will pour out my Spirit
upon all people. Your sons and daughters will
prophesy. Your young will see visions, and your old
will dream dreams." (Acts 2)
For sight and dreaming, we light this candle of hope.

Prelude Meditation (from Thaïs)

(Jules Massenet)

*Opening Hymn **Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!** MV 121 

Call to Worship

One: Thankful for new life,

All: We sing Hallelujah!

One: We raise our voices,

All: So that all may hear!

One: In spite of the challenges of this life,

**All: God is with us, we are not alone,
thanks be to God.**

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**All: God through our faithful journeying,
over the many years, we have been blessed
as your church and people.**

You have inspired through faith and love.

**You have accompanied us through crises and
struggles. You have transformed through
miracles and unexpected grace.**

**May we be open to your mystery this day, and
recommit ourselves to the ministry that we are
called to share.**

**For this is the ministry of Jesus Christ, and it is in
his name, we offer these words, praying**

**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 In the Bulb There is a Flower

VU 703

Story Time

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

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Minute for Mission

Anthem Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies *(Keith Bissell)* 

Readings from the Scriptures:

Acts 2:14a, 17-24

(New Revised Standard Version)

Hymn Response Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us **VU 198**

**1 Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,
come with pentecostal power;
give the church a stronger vision,
help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation,
Jesus Christ, the cornerstone,
still the church is called to mission
that God's love shall be made known.**

Prayer of Confession for the Past and the Present

Hymn Response **Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us** VU 198

- 2** *We would raise our hallelujahs
for the grace of yesteryears;
for tomorrow's unknown pathway,
hear, O God, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey
you have led us all the way,
still in presence move before us,
fire by night and cloud by day.*

Reflection **Dreams and Visions of New Life**

Hymn Response **Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us** VU 198

- 3** *Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,
give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you,
glorify your holy name.
God, all holy, Son and Spirit,
three in one: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas
now and through eternity.*


WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to Offering (Donate online at sjruc.ca)

Offertory **No. 1 from Trois Pieces Galantes** (Denis Bédard) 

* 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

Prayers of the People

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

* Closing Hymn

We Shall Go Out With Hope of Resurrection VU 586

* Commissioning

One: Creator God,
may your peace go with us
wherever we will be this day
May you guide us through the challenges of this
moment, protect us when in need
and inspire us with your love.
May we acknowledge your presence
in all the human goodness we will see.
May you give us hope to look to tomorrow,
with renewed awareness of your life with us.
For you bring us peace, faith and love.

* 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

Carillon

(Louis Vierne)

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***Join us immediately after church in the gym for a
fundraiser lunch in support of Rev. Chris' trip
to Palestine. All are welcome!***

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The roses in the sanctuary are in honour of our Charter members. For many years, Harriet Archer, a Charter member, provided funds each year for these flowers, so these are especially in her honour.



Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference:
Sheridan United Church, Mississauga



Keith Bissell (1912-1992) was a Canadian composer, educator and conductor who was born in Meaford, Ontario. He studied composition at the University of Toronto while teaching in Toronto schools. Shortly after graduation he became supervisor of school music in Edmonton, Alberta and later in Scarborough, Ont. In 1960 he took a sabbatical to study the Orff-Schulwerk method of music education in Germany. When he returned he gave seminars across North America on how to incorporate folk music into school music programs. He often used elements of Canadian folk music in his own compositions and is particularly known for his choral music. In 1963 he helped to organize the creation of the Canadian Music Centre, the first composers' seminar in music education in our country.

IN OUR CHURCH:



TODAY! Operation "Bring Him Home!" Sunday,

April 30th Join us immediately after church today for a fundraiser lunch in support of Rev. Chris' trip to

Palestine & Israel, June 1-10. As you may have heard, Rev. Chris has been selected to join the United Church Pilgrimage Encounter to deepen an understanding of the complex issues that plague this most Holy Land. The cost of the trip is estimated at about \$2500.

There is enough money in Chris's Continuing Education fund (a standard part of a minister's annual compensation package) to get him TO Palestine & Israel... but we want to make sure we can get him home too! Hence **"Operation, Bring Him Home!"** **Cost:**

Free will offering. Come show your support for Chris' journey while enjoying food and fellowship with friends!

Half Truths Join us beginning **Wednesday, May 3rd from 7pm** to 9 pm in the Parlour as we explore popular sayings that miss the point. They are simple phrases. They sound Christian - like something you might find in the Bible. We've all heard these words. Maybe we've said them. They capture some element of truth, yet they miss the point in important ways. In this 5-session DVD Adam Hamilton breaks down these common sayings using Scripture & story with practical applications. Session titles include:

- Everything happens for a reason.
- God helps those who help themselves.
- God won't give you more than you can handle.
- God said it, I believe it, that settles it.
- Love the sinner, hate the sin.

The Garage Sale - Saturday, May 6th, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

House cleaning this Spring? Collect the treasures you don't want and deliver them to SJR Wed. May 3 - Fri., May 5, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Yard tools, small appliances, tools, dishes, glassware, toys, decorations, pots & pans, books, DVDs, CDs, jewelry, clean used clothing, plants... anything else you don't need or want. ***"Many hands make light work"*** so check the sign-up sheets in the Rainbow Room and help out. All funds go to the Mission & Service Fund. Questions? Contact Cec at boardsec@sjruc.ca



The Special Gifts Committee is hosting a meeting, immediately following the service on **Sunday, May 7th**, in the gym. This meeting will provide information on how a special gift helps to further the mission of St. James'-Rosemount. If individuals are interested in learning more about Planned Giving a future seminar will be arranged. Coffee and muffins will be provided.

Book Nook: **Living Thoughtfully, Dying Well** *written by Glen E. Miller, M.D.* This book has vital information for older adults. It is a book their children should also read. Then important discussion can take place and all parties will be on the same page as information is shared. On display - borrow for 3 weeks.

Men's Breakfast If any of the males in the congregation are interested in reviving the men's breakfast, please contact Albert A. via the church office or leave your name and number in mail slot # 9

OUR VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK:

AV Crew	AV Team
Book Nook	Millie W.
Nursery	Margaret S. Sr., Charmian P.
Lay Reader	Anne Willcox
Counters	Hong S., Charmian P., Donna S.
Greeter	Fern & Don W.
Ushers	Don & Anne W.
Choir	Thank you to the many voices that enhance our worship!

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

NoteWorthy Singers present "Canadian Connections" **Saturday May 6 at 3 p.m.** Waterloo Pentecostal, 395 King St. N. Waterloo \$15 adults, i-go \$5, Children under 12 free. Tickets Marilyn 519-500-4298 email info@nwsinger.com

Spiritus Ensemble Bach's Mass in B Minor Sunday May 7 at 3 p.m. St. John's Lutheran Church, 22 Willow St. Waterloo. Ticket on line or at the door. \$35/senior \$30/Studen \$20/ High School and under 12 \$10 www.spiritusensemble.com

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- ☐ May 3 **Study:** "Half Truths" - 6 p.m. Parlour
- ☐ May 6 **Pancakes & Garage Sale** - 8 a.m. SJR upstairs
- ☐ May 7 **Special Gifts Committee** - after service in Gym
- ☐ May 21 **Stay for Lunch after Worship**
- ☐ May 28 **Mission & Outreach Sunday** with guest speaker
- ☐ May 28 **Family Walk-About** 2 p.m. (see announcement)

Visit www.sjruc.ca for more upcoming events.

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