
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

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~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



Sunday, May 14, 2017

Worship Leader: Rev. Chris Fickling

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

Welcome to worship!

*We hope it will be a quiet space for you as you prepare
to spend time with God amid life's busyness and storms.*

We honour each other's desire for peace as we gather.

We're glad you're here!

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: Thankful for the light of those who have shone in our
lives, we light this candle.


Prelude

Andantino

(Amy Beach)

*Opening Hymn

Spirit of the Living God

VU 376 

Call to Worship

All: We've come to worship God,

One: who loved us before we were yet born,
who knows us even better than we know ourselves,
whose presence never leaves us,
and whose love for us never ceases.
This is our God, who lavishly loves us.

All: Let's worship together!

Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer

adapted from a prayer by Bruce Prewer

**All: Here today there is love, freely available to all.
Not our human loving, fragile and intermittent, but
God's love, relentless and renewing. This love is
higher than our loftiest hopes, deeper than the
immensities of time and space, this is God's
inclusive love. May it encircle us and give us
reason to celebrate, for this love met us in the
form of Jesus, and coaxed us into prayer, saying:**

**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 **Who is My Mother**

MV 178 

Story Time

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

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Minute for Mission

Readings from the Scriptures: **John 14:1-14** *(The Inclusive Bible)*

Anthem **Your Love Streams Down On Me** *(Rhonda Woodward)*

Reflection:


Thankful for those who mother us into new life

Hymn **Would You Bless Our Homes and Families** VU 556 

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to Offering (Donate online at sjruc.ca)

Offertory **The First Morning** *(Nancy Telfer)* 

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

***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.***

*Dedication of the Offering

Prayers of the People

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

* Closing Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

VU 240

* Commissioning

written by Rev. Elizabeth Dilley

One: Go now in peace,

for Christ has called you to live in peace
among your sisters and brothers in Christ.

Go now in courage,

for Christ has called you from the places of your life
to be agents of redemption and partners in healing.

Go now in joy and thanksgiving,
for Christ is our light!

Go now as one body,
to love and serve God
as you love and serve the world!

So go now, in peace.

* 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 remain seated as we conclude
our service with the postlude.*

Postlude

Cantad Al Señor

(Kristina Langlois)

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***Please join us for Gather & Gab in the Rainbow
Room after today's service! All are welcome!***

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Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference:
Southampton United Church & Mount Hope United Church

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This week we are featuring music and texts by women. The music for our offertory response (composer, Alan Baer) was arranged by Shirley Porter who is Director of Music at Crossroads United Church, Kingston. Our choral benediction, Go Now In Peace, was written collaboratively by Don Besig and Nancy Price. Nancy is a free lance music engraver, editor, soloist and choral conductor. Together with Don they have over 100 compositions to their credit. Amy Beach (1867-1944) was an American composer and pianist who is recognized as the first successful American female composer of large-scale art music. Rhonda Woodward, an American composer, wrote our anthem which was published by Kelman Hall Publications of Kitchener. Kristina Langlois is Director of Music and organist at Augustana Lutheran Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, and is also an organ professor at Concordia University, St. Paul. Shirley Erena Murray (MV 178) is a New Zealand hymn lyrics writer. Her hymns appear in 140 collections. This particular one was set to music by Canadian Ron Klusmeier. And finally, Nancy Telfer is a prolific Canadian composer, best known for her choral compositions. She has been published in Canada, the United States and Europe.

IN OUR CHURCH:

Mission & Outreach is pleased to be highlighting "Community Support Connections (Meals on Wheels and More!)" at our bi-annual M&O Service on **May 28th**. Liam Healy from CSC will be joining us to share how St. James-Rosemount members can help. The organization is always looking for volunteers & donations - as our very own Snelgrove and Schott families can attest to. Please consider donating your Sundaygivings to CSC on May 28th using the envelopes that will be available in the pews. Please visit their website for a full listing of their services and opportunities to live out your faith life outside of SJR <http://communitysupportconnections.org>

Family Walkabout for SJR on Geo Time Trail - **Sunday, May 28, 2 pm**. How does a sun dial work? When was the dinosaur period on Planet Earth? What happened to them? How old is the rock under the trail? What's a kettle lake? With simple words we have short stops at the 18 signs along this 4.5 km loop trail in NW Waterloo. Terrain is varied with some ups and downs but if you can walk 4.5 km in 1.5 hr. you are welcome to join Janice and Evelyn. Questions--ask Janice. Youth to seniors invited who are able walkers--just show up at 582 Sundew (the extension of Columbia St. W. before 2 pm. Google: Alan Morgan Geo Trail.



Book Nook: *From My Heart to Yours* by Robin McGraw Life Lessons on Faith, Family and Friendship.

The author, during her lifetime has been blessed to learn simple lessons which she shares in this book. To-day we are honouring all mothers. 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. or leave your name and number in mail slot # 9.

SJR Reads - We will be meeting ***Monday, May 29th at 1:30 p.m.*** in the Parlour to discuss 'Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet' by Jamie Ford. We have the KPL Book Club Bag - if interested, let Charmian know to ensure you get one of the books. All are welcome to join us. Great discussions! Note - in May each person selects one of the books we will read over the coming year so come with your choice!



Reel Theology ***"Kite Runner" Tuesday, May 30 at 5:30 p.m.*** Potluck with Film and Discussion to follow. Growing up in Kabul, Amir and Hassan are inseparable friends. Long after Amir and his father leave, he is haunted by a childhood incident when he betrayed the trust of Hassan. There's a new chapter in this drama as Amir returns to his homeland. All ages invited. Sign up On-line

Road Closure: Krug Street will have construction and may be closed from Becker to East (at the bridge under the expressway) until the end of July.

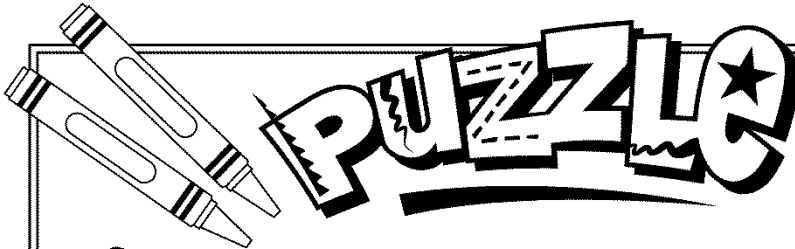


OUR VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK:

AV Crew	AV Team
Book Nook	Norma M.
Nursery	Christine M., Evelyn S.
Lay Reader	Maureen D.
Counters	Lorrie & Nelson G., Christine M.
Greeter	Teresa C.
Ushers	George C., Cec O., Luella C., Carol W.
Gather & Gab	Ellen & Ed E.
Choir	Thank you to the many voices that enhance our worship!

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Prayer in the Park Join us! One church, assembled together, praying in unity, seeking God for Waterloo Region. **Pentecost Sunday June 4, 2017 1-4 p.m. @ Victoria Park in Kitchener at the clock tower.** www.prayerinthepark.ca

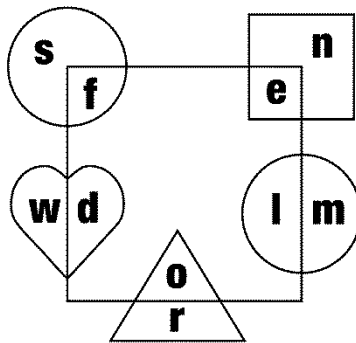


GOD CARES FOR YOU!

Jesus tells his followers not to worry about their daily needs.
What example does he give of God's care for his creation?

Directions:

To complete Luke 12:27 (NIV), match the shapes under each blank with the letter shapes shown to the right.



"Consider how the wild _____
grow. They do not labor or spin.

Yet I tell you, not even _____
in all his splendor was _____
like one of these." Luke 12:27, NIV

Answer: "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these." Luke 12:27, NIV

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- ☐ May 17 **Study:** "Half Truths" - 6 p.m. Parlour
- ☐ May 21 **Stay for Lunch after Worship!**
- ☐ May 28 **Mission & Outreach Sunday** with guest speaker
- ☐ May 28 **Family Walk-About** 2 p.m.
- ☐ May 30 **Reel Theology & Potluck** 5:30 p.m. Long S.S. Rm.
- ☐ June 4 **Prayer in the Park** 1-4 p.m. @ Victoria Park

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for more upcoming events*



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