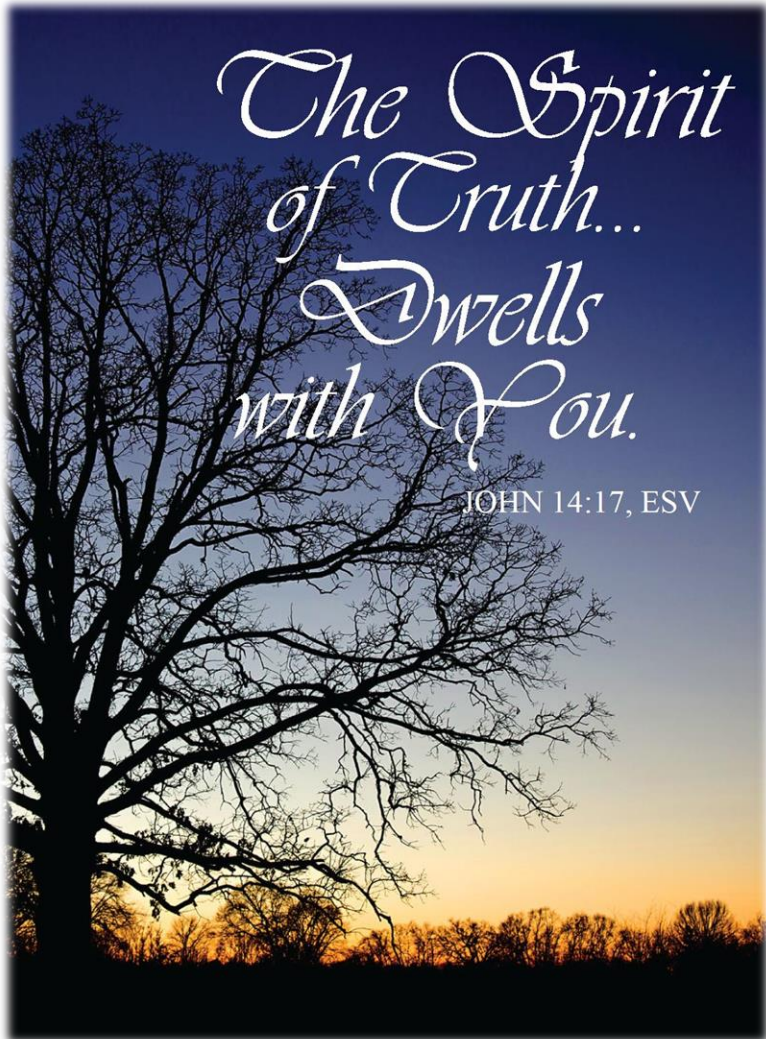

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~ God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith ~



May 21, 2017 - 6th Sunday after Easter
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: This is the light of Jesus the Christ, the Risen One,
with us always.

Prelude

Largo

(Francesco Maria Veracini)

David Davidson, Trombone

*Opening Hymn

We Are One

VU 402 

Call to Worship

One: Together, we listen for God.

We need not listen for a distant thunder to find God,
we need only listen to the music of life,

the words of children,

the questions of the curious,

the rhythm of a heartbeat.

These point to the God who inhabits our world
and who indwells our lives.

Together, we listen for God.

Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer

**All: Loving God, in Jesus you offer life to the world
and love to its people.**

When we see life only for ourselves, forgive us.

Help us to hear your transforming love

speaking to us of respect, dignity and worth,


telling us that we are loved
and that we are to love one another.
Help us to know that we are not alone
in this work.

Relying on your love,
we pray that you will work through us
to bring your justice to the world,
in the power of the Holy Spirit,
we pray these words of hope, 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

We Give Our Thanks

MV 187 

We give our thanks to God, (3x)
We give our thanks to God.

We give our hands to you, (3x)
Because you reached for us.

We give our eyes to you, (3x)
Because you looked for us.

We give our feet to you, (3x)
Because you walk with us.

We give our hearts to you, (3x)
Because you first loved us.

Story Time

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

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Minute for Mission

Scripture Reading: **John 14:15-21** (New Revised Standard Version)

Anthem **Between Darkness & Light** (Daphna Rosenberg)
Crystal Fallis, Flute, and David Davidson, Trombone


Reflection: **Confronting Our Fears**

Hymn **Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks** VU 179 

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to Offering (Donate online at sjruc.ca)

Offertory **Invocation** from Holiday in Canada Suite (Boris Berlin) 

* 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

Response **Don't Be Afraid** MV90

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

* Closing Hymn **Jesus Christ is Waiting** VU 117

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

Postlude 'The Rejoicing' from The Royal Fireworks (G.F. Handel)
David Davidson, Trombone

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The flowers in the sanctuary today have been placed in loving memory of Marion Raddatz by husband Ron Raddatz & the family.

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***Please join us for Lunch in the Gym
after today's service! All are welcome!***

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Prayer Cycle for the United Churches in Hamilton Conference:
St. Andrew's United Church, Brantford

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Boris Berlin (1907-2001) was born in Russia, moved to Canada in 1928 to begin teaching at the Toronto Conservatory of Music and became a naturalized Canadian in 1931. He was disturbed by the lack of Canadian material available to music students because the Conservatory system focussed mainly on European composers. During his career he wrote over 20 pedagogical works and more than 200 compositions. Over 4 million copies of his work have been sold. In 2000 he was made an Officer of the Order of Canada and the citation reads "Known as the teacher of teachers he profoundly influenced musical instruction in our country. Having taught some of Canada's most illustrious musicians he is known for his extensive contribution to pedagogical materials and for his piano pieces for young performers."

IN OUR CHURCH:

UCW Monday, March 27th 7:30 p.m. in the church Parlour
We are having a special speaker Lynn Weimer, from Hospice Waterloo Region. She will share helpful points about "Advance Planning", in regard to Power of Attorney and discussion with family, etc. Everyone is welcome! Come one come all. We close with refreshments!

Mission & Outreach is pleased to be highlighting "Community Support Connections (Meals on Wheels and More!)" at our bi-annual M&O Service **May 28th**. Liam Healy from CSC will be sharing how SJRUC 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 Sunday givings 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 When "**Spiritual But Not Religious**" Is Not Enough by *Lillian Daniel* The author gives a new spin on church with stories of what a life of faith can really be: weird, wondrous, as well as worth trying. 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 (519-893-5316) 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 at back table.



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

OUR VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK:

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| AV Crew | AV Team |
| Book Nook | Steve W. |
| Nursery | Margaret S. Sr., Donna S. |
| Lay Reader | Steve W. |
| Counters | Donna S. |
| Greeter | Margaret H. |
| Ushers | Gordon & Rosemary A.,
Evelyn S., Ena A. |
| Choir | Thank you to the many voices that enhance our worship! |



Interested in helping? Leave a note for the office in Mailbox #3

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Card Party Friday, May 26th at Forest Hill United. Begins with dessert buffet at 7 p.m. Tickets \$15 from Forest Hill Church office (mornings) or Margot White 519-742-6047. Bridge, Euchre, Hearts, Cribbage... come join the fun!"

Climate Conversations Community Potluck, Saturday, May 27th at St. John the Evangelist Church, 23 Water Street N. Kitchener. Thought provoking dinner conversations, fabulous entertainment, amazing food, and an informative panel of speakers including Joe Mancini to discuss local food initiatives. Cooking demonstrations start at 4:30, potluck at 6:30. Details at DivestWaterloo.ca/events

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

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



- May 21 **TODAY! Stay for Lunch after Worship!**
- May 22 **UCW** 7:30 Long Sunday School Room
- May 24 **Study:** "Half Truths" - 6 p.m. Parlour
- 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

*Visit www.sjruc.ca
for more upcoming events*



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