
St. James'–Rosemount United Church

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God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith



May 22, 2022 – Easter 6 – Outdoor Hymn Sing
Worship Leader: Rev. Chris Fickling

Welcome!

Welcome to worship!

WE GATHER IN GOD'S HOPE

VU: Voices United

MV: More Voices

*We acknowledge that we are on the Haldimand Tract,
traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg, and
Haudenosaunee peoples.*

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

Prelude

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

All are Welcome

MV 1

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**1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live.**

**A place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.**

**Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:**

Refrain: **All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**

**2 Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true.**

**Where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.**

**Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus; Refrain**

**3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine
and wheat; a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.**

**Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space,
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us; Refrain**

**4 Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone,
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bears the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: Refrain**

**5 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace.
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: Refrain**

Opening Prayer

Lord's Prayer (read/prayed slowly)

**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.**

Story Time

Hymn I, the Lord of Sea and Sky VU509

**1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?**

Refrain **Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

**2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain,
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? Ref.**

**3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading (CEB) John 14:23-29

²³ Jesus answered, "Whoever loves me will keep my word. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever doesn't love me doesn't keep my words. The word that you hear isn't mine. It is the word of the Father who sent me. ²⁵ "I have spoken these things to you while I am with you. ²⁶ The Companion, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I told you. ²⁷ "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give you. I give to you not as the world gives. Don't be troubled or afraid. ²⁸ You have heard me tell you, 'I'm going away and returning to you.' If you loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than me. ²⁹ I have told you before it happens so that when it happens you will believe.

Anthem **In My Heart** (arr. Alan Bullard)

*Lord, help me be a Christian in my heart.
Lord, help me be more loving in my heart.
Lord, help me be more prayerful in my heart.
Lord, help me be like Jesus in my heart.*

Reflection

Hymn **Psalm 23 – God is My Shepherd** **VU748**

**1 God is my shepherd, I'll not want,
I feed in pastures green.
God grants me rest and bids me drink
from waters calm and clean.
Through daily tasks, I'm blessed and led
by one I have not seen.**

**2 Restored to life each morning new,
I rise up from the dust
to follow God whose presence gives
me confidence and trust.
I praise the name of God today;
in God I put my trust.**

**3 When I must pass through shadowed vale,
where loss and death await,
I will not fear for God is there,
my shepherd strong and great,
whose rod and staff will comfort me
and all my fears abate.**

**4 No enemy can overcome,
no power on earth defeat
the ones anointed by God's grace
and fed with manna sweet.
My cup is filled and overflows
as I my Saviour greet.**

**5 Goodness and mercy all my days
will surely follow me;
and where God reigns in heaven and earth,
my dwelling place will be.
My shepherd blesses, cares and leads
through all eternity.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to Offering

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Offering Response **How Great Thou Art** v1, 2 VU238

**1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.**

Refrain **Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. Refrain**

Dedication of the Offering

Hymn **Make Me a Channel of Your Peace** VU 684

**1 Make me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your healing power,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you: Refrain**

Refrain **O Spirit, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.**

**2 Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy. Refrain**

**3 Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

Prayers of the People

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

Closing Hymn **One More Step Along the World** VU639

**1 One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go,
from the old things to the new,
keep me travelling along with you:**

Refrain **And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.**

**2 Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me: Refrain**

**3 As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know: Refrain**

**4 Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough,
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you: Refrain**

**5 You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me,
ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you: Refrain**

Commissioning

Choral Benediction **Go Now in Peace**

**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 in silence as we conclude
our service with the postlude.*

Postlude

Announcements

Executive Update As a result of our meeting on May 3, registration is no longer necessary to attend Worship. **We are still requiring masks for those able to wear them, and strongly encourage social distancing.** In the pews, we encourage you to continue to sit by a cone. Recognising that everyone is at a different comfort level if you find yourself closer to someone than you're comfortable with, you are welcome to find another spot. If you feel moved to sing, we are still encouraging only humming at this time. **EXCEPT TODAY! Sing out!**

Christian Education: Drop your children off at the door near the fenced playground at 10:20 a.m. on Sundays for story time, worship, crafts, and play (indoor & outdoor). Masks & distancing required.

Can you volunteer to assist with the activity centers?

If so, contact Mearle ce@sjruc.ca.

Spring Fling The women of SJR are having a Spring Fling luncheon on Tuesday, June 14th at 11:30am on the Labyrinth. We will be ordering Box Lunches from DeliWorks. Check out the bulletin board by the office for your choices!! Bring a chair and your sun hat and join us for good food and conversation. Please call Muriel or Jan and book your lunch box before June 6th. Put your payment in an envelope marked "SPRING FLING" and drop it off at the church.

All Lunch Boxes must be prepaid.

Canadian Food for Children is a registered charity with the Canadian government. Their goal is to feed and clothe those experiencing poverty. All donations collected go towards feeding and clothing the poorest of the poor in developing countries throughout the world. The UCW of St. James'-Rosemount has collected items for CFFC for over 35 years! **We will be collecting items every Saturday in May from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the SJRUC parking lot.**

Items needed for CFFC - Clothing, hats & shoes for all ages (hot & cold weather items), household goods (bedding, towels, curtains, etc.), school & office supplies (paper), yarn, beads, craft items, medical & hygiene supplies, tools, braces, canes, and all assist items.

What's So Amazing About Grace? Join us as we continue for this six-session video Bible Study by best-selling author Philip Yancey. We will explore what grace looks like in action and we will also examine how Christians, as the sole dispensers, are doing at lavishing grace on a world that knows far more of cruelty and unforgiveness than it does of mercy. Please contact Rev. Chris to be included on the zoom meeting Wednesday nights from 7pm to 9pm

Silver Lake Camp Cleanup In order to prepare for opening, we are hosting a Work Bee at camp (94 Southline Ave, Kinloss, ON N2Z 2X5) on Saturday, May 28th from 9am to 3pm with a complimentary roast beef lunch served midday. All are welcome to join as there are projects for a range of interests and skill: General labour (cleaning, painting, yard work, etc.), Handyperson (fixing windows and doors, installing a shelf, etc.), Tradesperson (electrician, plumbers, contractors, tree removal, etc.)



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