
St. James'-Rosemount United Church

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God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith



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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 and Lighting the Christ Candle

Prelude

Call to Community

One: Come everyone, all ages and stages. Come worship together!

All: We are here to show our love to God.

One: Come to this place for community, for worship, for love and for laughter.

All: We come to learn about Jesus. We come to make a joyful noise to God.

One: Let us open ourselves, body, mind, and spirit, and let God's Spirit in.

All: Come, let us worship, in joy and faith together!

Opening Hymn **Guide me O, Thy Great Jehovah** VU 651

Opening Prayer *(by Rev Heather Moody posted on <http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/>)*

One: O God, you come to us not in the chaos of the whirlwind,
not in the roar of the earthquake, not in the crackling heat of the fire,
but in the sound of sheer silence.

All: Quiet our minds, bring peace to our hearts and stillness to our bodies that we might meet you in that silence.

One: Help us to listen for your still, small voice.

**All: Give us the courage to go wherever you lead us, trusting that you will prepare the way.
We pray this in the name of our Companion on the journey, Jesus the Christ. Amen**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Contemporary Reading: "The Summer Day" by Mary Oliver

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Grace (by David Adam, posted on A Place for Prayer)

**All: I weave a silence onto my lips
I weave a silence onto my mind
I weave a silence within my heart**

**I close my ears to distractions
I close my eyes to attractions
I close my heart to temptations**

**Calm me, O Lord, as you stilled the storm
Still me, O Lord, keep me from harm
Let all tumult within me cease
Enfold me Lord in your peace. Amen**

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 19:1-15

Music for Reflection

Reflection: **Stop... Look... Listen.**

Hymn **Dear God, Who Loves All Humankind** VU 608

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to Offering (Donate online at sjruc.ca)

Offering Response **We Bring our Gifts to Share**

***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 & The Lord's Prayer



WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

Closing Hymn **One More Step Along the World I Go** VU 639

Benediction and Commissioning

One: And now into God's world we go -
As we leave this place of worship

**All: We watch for ways to hear God's voice,
in many different forms,
including in the sounds of sheer silence.
We go out into the world,
inviting God to fill us from within,
To open our minds, and stir our spirits
To transform our lives.**

One: So go from here, your soul filled,
And may the Holy Spirit go where you go,
and protect you on the way.
May you Go in Peace, Faith and Love,
ready to serve God.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

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

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A Special "Thank You" to David Knarr, our guest organist this morning!

Looking ahead at SJR: While Rev. Chris is taking a sabbatical from ministry,
we're excited to have these individuals sharing in worship with us!

September Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m.

4th – Rev. Marilyn Burnard

11th, 18th – Karen Cartmell

25th – Blessing of the Animals Service with Teresa Carse

(September Emergency pastoral care: Rev. Andrea Allan, Westminster 519-301-7864)

The SJRUC Office will be staffed intermittently until September.