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God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith



November 06, 2022 – Remembrance Day Service Worship Leader: Karen Cartmell, LLWL, MTS

Welcome to worship! 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.

We acknowledge that we are on the Haldimand Tract, traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg, and Haudenosaunee peoples. We acknowledge their care of the land and gives our thanks for their conservancy.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Community

(adapted from H McClure, Gathering, Pent2 2019,p 51, used with permission)

- One: We gather this morning as the people of God
- All: We gather to pray for peace, and to remember the ways in which times of war have destroyed God's creation: the land, the water, and the people.
- One: We come this morning as the people of God
- All: We come to worship this morning with a multitude of emotions: sadness, regret, hope, gratitude, and thanksgiving
- One: We are present this morning as the people of God
- All: In all that we have been, in all that we are, in all that we hope to be, we come in scripture, in music, in poetry, and in prayer to worship this day.
- One: Come, let us worship together as the people of God.

* Opening Hymn Abide With Me VU 436

Procession of the Colours (during the hymn)

Invocation Prayer (adapted from S Ferguson, Gathering, Pent2 2017, p 48, used with permission)

- One: God of peace, we gather today to remember the loss of so many of your children through the horrors of war.
- All: This sacred task of remembrance calls us to ensure that the torment of war must end.
- One: Through the act of remembrance, we understand what is truly lost when nations resort to war.

- All: Your creation, which should bring joy to the world, seems lost and in chaos because too often we are unable to live at peace with ourselves and others.
- One: So let this day of remembrance be an inspiration to us.
- All: Let us prepare the way for your vision of peace, revealed to us through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Prayer of Confession

(Modified from Beth Johnston, Gathering, Pent2, p50, used with permission)

All: We confess to you, O God, As part of the world community, Our inability to keep the peace That so many sacrificed to win and preserve. We confess our inability to care for those in poverty, And to seek justice for the marginalized. We confess our lack of attention for issues that do not touch us personally, and our inability to live out what we believe because it seems too hard. Forgive us. Restore us. Enable us to begin again to live the journey of faith. Amen

- Hymn Make Me a Channel of Your Peace VU 684
- Poem "We Shall Keep the Faith" by Moina Michael (read by Corinne Wettlaufer)

Words of Remembrance – from poem "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon, 1914

- One: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning
- All: We will remember them.
- Last Post (Please Stand) (played by trumpeter Alanna Collins)

A Time of Silence

You are invited to remember those you know who have been touched by war.

You are invited to mourn, to pay respect, or to meditate.

Reveille

Words of Assurance

Youth and Children are invited to head out to Sunday School

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:1, 7-14

Anthem In Flanders Fields (Eleanor Daley) In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below. We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved, and now we lie, In Flanders fields. Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields. Reflection Lest We Forget

Hymn O Canada

VU 524

Poem "Canada's Men" (read by Steve Wardell)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Our Offerings are Blessed (Donate online at sjruc.ca)

* 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

Lord's Prayer (read and prayed slowly together)

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.

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

- * Closing Hymn God! As with Silent Hearts VU 527
- * Benediction & Commissioning
- One: And now may the blessing of God be ours as we leave today.
- All: May we feel the blessing of peace as it calms our troubled spirits and our troubled world.
- One: May we remember to reach out to others.
- All: We extend the hand of friendship to show others that God's love is everlasting.
- One: As we go from this time of worship, may we be inspired to live the Way of Peace that Jesus taught and lived.
- All: May it be so. Amen.
- * Choral Benediction Go Now in Peace (Written by Besig & Price 1988) 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.

Please remain seated in silence as we conclude our service with the postlude.

Postlude

La Grace

(Gregory Philipp Telemann)

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A Special Thanks for Alanna Collins, who provided the trumpet music for our Remembrance service this morning.

Gather, Gab & Mingle after the service today!

Come and enjoy some refreshments together in the Rainbow Room after the service!



FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- □ Nov. 9 Faith Study " Faithful" Parlour 7-9 pm (masks required)
- □ Nov. 10 Choir 7:30 pm 9 pm
- □ Nov. 13 Worship at Christ the King 9:45 am Hymn Sing, 10 am Service
- Dec. 4 Baked Goods Auction after Gather & Gab

Check the bulletin boards and visit www.sjruc.ca for upcoming events.

Rev. Chris is away until Nov. 12th, in the meantime if you are in need of emergency pastoral care please contact: Rev. John Lougheed: jslougheed@sympatico.ca Cell: 519-575-3689

SJRUC Current Covid Measures

SJR recommends Public Health guidelines: practice good hand hygiene, wear a mask if you choose, distance yourself from others if you choose, stay home if you are sick, and stay up to date on vaccinations. **If you feel you are seated too close to someone, please feel comfortable to find another spot.**

IN OUR CHURCH

NEXT WEEK November 13th Special Worship: SJRUC will



worship at Christ the King for their special Anniversary Service: 9:45 a.m. Hymn Sing, 10 a.m. Service at 167 Thaler Ave, Kitchener. Please sign up to stay for lunch after the service on the sheet in Narthex. There will be no service at SJRUC November 13th.



<u>Supporting OneRoof</u>: SJRUC is currently running our annual fundraiser on behalf of OneRoof Youth Services. The fundraiser will

officially end on Thursday evening, December 8th, when a truck will be in the church parking lot from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. to collect donated items for delivery. A table will be set up in the usual location to collect items, and a OneRoof Wish List will be on the table for you to observe. As the winter approaches items needed include gloves and finger mitts, winter socks, hoodies, sweatshirts (gently used), gift cards, underwear (male & female - new), winter boots (women's size 7 to 10 & men's size 10 and up). Monetary donations are greatly welcome and can be dropped off in the church mailbox or with your Sunday offerings until December 8th.

Faith Study Join us for "**Faithful - Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph**", a closed captioned four-week video study beginning on *Wednesday, November 9th* 7pm to 9pm in the **Parlour**. We're not that different from Joseph. He encountered circumstances that he never chose for himself, but he didn't walk away. Joseph provides a great example of humbly obeying God even when we don't understand, faithfully moving forward in the strength that God provides. If you are interested in joining us contact the office @ 519-742-1002

<u>Nursery Helpers Needed</u>! Can you be available to help in the Nursery if needed? If so, please contact the church office @ 519-742-1002



Membership Sunday We will be having a Membership Sunday this fall! We also hope to be starting Confirmation classes for youth 12 years old and up. Please speak to Rev. Chris or contact the office. We are pleased share in your journey of faith and hope you will make St. James'~Rosemount United Church your home.

SJRUC Christmas Baked Treats Auction! December 4th after

Gather & Gab. Proceeds support Christian Education. Bakers: We would like Christmas cookies, loaves, pies,



tarts, cupcakes, sweets. Boxes for putting your baked goods in will be available to pick up Nov. 20 & 27. Drop off baked goodies before service on Dec. 4th. For more info contact the church office.



<u>Kenya Student Fund</u> In 2023 we will be sponsoring 27 students from Ugunja, Kenya so they can get an education. We have sponsors for all the students;

however, we have been informed of fee increases that will affect 2nd Year NYATI technical college students in 2023 and subsequent years. We hope to raise an additional \$500 to help cover these costs. If you can help, please make your donation payable to St. James'-Rosemount United Church - Kenya Student Fund. For further information, please contact Kevin C, Chair, Kenya Student Education Committee. Thank you!

<u>Unified Board Search</u>: The Unified Board will be searching for new members and several committee chairs to begin on the Board effective at our Feb. annual meeting. We are also in need of a Worship committee chair effective Jan. 1, 2023. We are now meeting in person and not on Zoom (with the exception of an occasional Zoom meeting if required). Hopefully this will encourage those of you who don't have (or don't like!) Zoom meetings to volunteer. Please prayerfully consider how you can serve your church in this capacity.

<u>Be a Stamp Saver</u> for the Leprosy Mission! Christmas is a great time to obtain used stamps from parcels & cards. A half inch cut around used stamps is ideal. Post cards, especially old (1920 & prior) are also very useful with or without stamps. Place them in the caring bin in the wooden cabinet in the cloak room behind the narthex. Your contributions make a difference! Questions? Contact the church office.

Donations, Deposits, & Counters: We are looking for additional counters for a commitment of once every 4-7 weeks. We are currently making a deposit twice a month and this means delays for cheques clearing the bank. We would like return to weekly counting & deposits. If you're willing to help contact finance@sjruc.ca or the church office.

<u>United Church Bears</u>: The Pastoral Care & Membership Committee is selling stuffed toy bears with the United Church of Canada emblem on them to support our UCW. Funds will be directed to Mission & Service. Look for us just before & after church located near the Nursery. The bears will be \$10 ea.

Need a Name Tag? Need donation envelopes? Add your name to the list in the Narthex or contact the church office: mail@sjruc.ca or 519-742-1002

