
St. James'-Rosemount United

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God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith



June 30, 2024 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Leader: Rev. Chris Fickling

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 give our thanks for their conservancy.

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening

O Canada

VU 524

Prelude

Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring

(J.S. Bach)

Call to Worship *adapted from a prayer by Rev. Susan A. Blain*

One: Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones

All: God hears us in our fear and our sorrow

One: Where there was no way

All: God establishes a new way through our lives

One: Where there was no mercy

All: God surprises us with compassion and hope

One: Where there was weeping

All: God reminds us of the goodness which surrounds us. With renewed joy we worship together!

Opening Prayer *adapted from a prayer by Cheryl Lawrie*

One: God who holds limitless possibilities as potential...

You do not give up on the broken and the lost

You do not give up on the fractured or forlorn,
or the shattered, or the dying, or the dead.

You do not give up on the fearful, or the hateful
or those who only see the impossible.

You do not give up when we fail, and blame you for
mistakes, or problems,

You do not give up when we can only see what is
wrong, or incomplete, or less-than.

Thank you, God of limitless possibilities and potential for you do not give up on us, only helping us see the possibilities and potential in us.

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.**

Story Time

Hymn

Come, Let Us Sing

VU 222

*Youth and Children are invited to remain in Worship.
Activity bags are in the Narthex.*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading (*from Everyday Psalms, James Taylor*) **Psalm 30**

¹ My life has turned around.

^{2,3} **God has shown me a better way to live.**

I know how it feels to be down and out;

I know doubt and depression too well.

⁵ But these things are like clouds passing over the sun;
their shadow pales when the light breaks through.

⁴ Like a person freed from addiction,
like a prisoner pardoned,

I must tell my tale over and over.

⁶ When things went well, I took all the credit.

⁷ When things went wrong, I fell apart.

I blamed myself for my failure.

⁸ I blamed God for punishing me.

**I asked God, "Does it make you feel good
to make me feel bad?"**

**⁹Would you rather have me praise you or curse you?
Who else will people listen to-the dust or the wind?**

¹⁰Give me another chance!"

¹¹It worked!

I started feeling better.

I looked for the goodwill around me, instead of the ill;

I quit moping and started dancing.

¹²Now I know I owe my good fortune to God,

And I thank God every chance I get.

Reflection *I thank God every chance I get*

Hymn **God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness** VU 260

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD AND LOVE

Invitation to Offering (Donate online at sjruc.ca)

Thank you to all those who support the ministry of SJR through time, talents, and treasures. As the ushers pass along the offering plates we invite those who give through PAR or Pre-Authorized Remittance and those who give a monthly gift, to please put a card into the plate so we can celebrate your generosity. Information on how to sign up to donate by PAR can be obtained through the office mail @sjruc.ca 519-742-1002.

For those who wish to donate online through Canada Helps, please visit our website sjruc.ca or scan this QR code:



Offertory **Air (from Suite No. 3)** (J.S. Bach)

* 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 **Our God, Creation's Loving Source** VU 490

* Commissioning

* Choral Benediction **Go Now in Peace**

(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 **Chorale Prelude “wer nur den lieben Gott”**

(J.S. Bach)

**Stay for a special treat at Gather, Gab & Mingle
after the Service today!**

**Printed copies of this Sunday’s message are available
in the Narthex for you to take home or share.**

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- July 2 **55+ Exercise Class** 9:30 am- SJR Gym
- July 4 **55+ Exercise Class** 9:30 am- SJR Gym
- July 7 to 21 Meet at Calvary Memorial 91 Gruhn St – see below:

SUMMER SERVICES:

We will be sharing Summer Worship Services with
Calvary Memorial United, Trinity and Forest Hill United.

Summer Services will be at **10:00 a.m.**

July 7, 14, 21: Meet at **Calvary Memorial United**
Rev. Gary Clark leading
91 Gruhn St, Kitchener

July 28, Aug. 4, 11: Meet at **Forest Hill United**
Rev. Chris leading
121 Westmount Rd E Kitchener

Aug. 18, 25, Sept. 1: Meet at **St. James'~Rosemount United**
Rev. Tim Graham leading
171 Sherwood Ave, Kitchener



IN OUR CHURCH:



A Special Birthday

You're invited to Norma's Birthday

Celebration! We invite you to drop in at St. James'~Rosemount United Church on

Sunday, August 11th between 2:00 and 4:00p.m. to help Norma celebrate her **90th**

birthday. Best wishes only please. Come and wish Norma a happy birthday and enjoy a piece of cake and a beverage. If you are going

to attend, please confirm to stephanieauer@icloud.com so that we have enough cake.

Calling All Quilters Have you ever wanted to learn how to “stitch in the ditch”? No experience is necessary... just patience. No stitches are too big, and none are too crooked. And... there's lots of encouraging help. Join us on Monday and Thursday mornings from 10 till noon as we quilt and talk away the time joining our 187!! 70th Anniversary quilt squares together. All are welcome... men and children too! Please use the Kensington door.

Community Garden Plot There is one garden plot available – please contact Brenda Michi if you're interested: brendamichi@yahoo.ca



Thank You GG&M Volunteers! Thank you to those who have offered to help with Gather, Gab & Mingle at SJR later this summer. It's wonderful to have the opportunity to connect with each other after the service while enjoying a cookie and refreshments. If you are interested in becoming an ongoing part of the dynamic team which makes this gathering possible, please reach out to the church office.

Church Directory While we had hoped to have the finished directory in hands for our 70th Anniversary Service, unfortunately its printing has been delayed until the fall. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

Summer Givings: We ask that you prayerfully consider our financial needs and support SJR in your givings though the summer months. If you are unable to attend Sundays, you can mail cheque(s) or drop them into our secure mailbox at SJR. Post-date your cheques if you require. When you attend our joint services with Calvary and Forest Hill, your givings will be brought back to SJR and deposited appropriately. Deposits will occur bi-weekly during the summer.

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

A Community Festival for all Ages The Cherry Park neighbourhood Association runs its Cherry Park Festival on **Saturday, July 6th** in Cherry Park at 81 Strange St. (between Park & Strange St.) This HUGE one-day event (from 11 am -5 pm) features cherry pie, cherries, scones and cherry ice cream, two stages of entertainment (Erick Traplin, the Jazz Gangsters, and Irish & Scottish influences), vendors, the Cherry Train & bouncy castle, artificial ice rink (bring your skates), house maze, rock climbing, antique car show, food trucks... and it's FREE... except for the food! FREE PARKING at the Dominion Tire lot near the park. July 6th there's something for everyone at Cherry Park!

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***The SJRUC office will be staffed
intermittently in July & August.
E-mail is the best way to reach the office.***

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