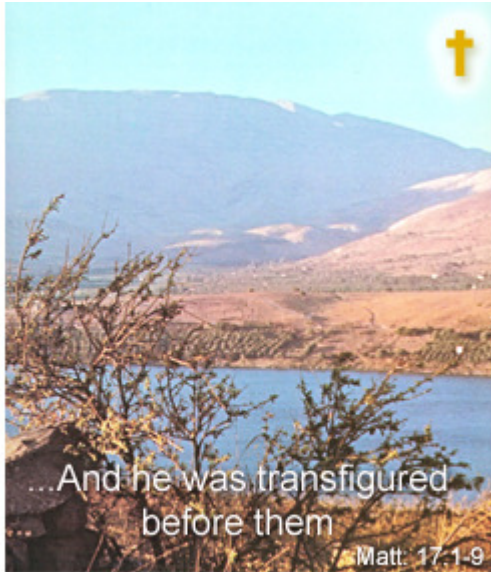


St. James' - Rosemount United Church

171 Sherwood Ave., Kitchener, Ont. N2B 1K2

God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith

*Transfiguration Sunday
Sacrament of Holy Communion*



A Quiet Place

Sunday March 6, 2011

10:30am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Please Rise in Body and/or Spirit when you see this symbol ()

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

L: Jesus is the Light of the World

All: May He shine on us every day.

PRELUDE

Aria

By S. Wesley

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN **Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

VU# 232

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We have come into the presence of God and captured Isaiah's vision of peace where the wolf lives with the lamb and the leopard lies down with the calf.

Two: God is in this holy place.

All: We come to worship in peace.

One: We have sat with Jesus on the mountain and we immersed ourselves in the extraordinary and wise teachings of Jesus: the challenging way of love for all.

Two: God is calling again.

All: We come to worship in love.

One: We travel with Jesus and disciples of long ago, and in the glory of the clouds hear God's affirmation of the One whose life dazzled with the reign of God.

Two: God is calling again.

All: We come to worship in joy.

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God's Spirit affirms: This is my Earth, the Beloved; with the Earth I am pleased.

Two: We have not always heard or remembered. In our forgetting we disconnect from the lord over the animals, plants, waters and sacred lands of our Earth home.

All: Forgive our forgetting, O God, and may your realm shine within us again.

One: God's Spirit affirms: This is the Christ, the Beloved; with Christ I am pleased.

Two: We have not always heard or remembered. In our forgetting we pursue goals and ways of our own making and we act in ways that hurt ourselves and others.

All: Forgive our forgetting, O God, and may your realm shine within us again.

One: God's Spirit affirms: This is my community, the Beloved; with them I am pleased.

Two: We have not always heard or remembered. In our forgetting we judge and complain, we expect too little or too much, and we cloud our witness with apathy and conflict.

All: Forgive our forgetting, O God, and may your realm shine within us again.

SUNG RESPONSE

VU# 947

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: God's Spirit affirms: You are my Beloved; with you I am well pleased. Love never forgets and is quick to forgive. We can trust the Spirit's affirmation and live with confidence that we are the Beloved of God, forgiven and free.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen

*HYMN

Go, Make a Difference MV# 209

TIME WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

THE COMMISSIONING AND LAYING-ON OF HANDS FOR OLIVIA CURTIS (Following the commissioning, the children are invited to go to Sunday School)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM **Communion Prayer**

By A. Pote

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE **What Can I Do?**

MV#191 (sung twice)

What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share!

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Let us pray: God of transfiguration, we long to hear your holy Word in fresh ways. Open our ears to the call of your voice. Open our eyes to the dawning of a new day. Fill us with anticipation for your future. Amen.

FIRST READING

2 Peter 1: 16-21

Reader: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 17: 1-9

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

All: Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON

A Quiet Place

SILENT REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN **Teach Me, God, to Wonder** VU# 299

COMMUNION SERVICE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is good to give God thanks and praise.

COMMUNION HYMN **We Gather Here**

VU# 469 Verses 1&2

(please remain seated for Communion Hymn)

Leader: Eternal God, Maker of heaven and earth, we join with all your people....So it is that we join the song of all creation to proclaim the glory of your name:

All: Holy, holy, holy are you. God of power and might, heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Mighty and tender God, in Jesus of Nazareth, we recognize the fullness of your grace...Grant that in praise and thanksgiving, we may so offer ourselves to you that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come, come again.

Leader: Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts...Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.

All: **Amen**

Leader: We gather these and all our prayers, thankful that we may turn to you as to our parent who loves us, as:

Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND LIFTING OF THE CUP

SHARING THE BREAD AND WINE

(Please say these words during the serving of the elements)

Leader: Jesus Christ the Bread of life.

Response: **Amen**

Leader: Jesus Christ, the true vine.

Response: **Amen**

COMMUNION HYMN **We Gather Here**

VU# 469 Verse 3

(please remain seated for Communion Hymn)

Prayer after Communion (in unison)

We give thanks, O God, because in your own free gift of love, you have reached out to us. You have refreshed us at your table, touched our deepest needs, and called us to a life shared in memory and hope. Send us forth with

courage and joy in the name of Jesus Christ, that we too may become bread and peace for one another and the world. Amen

***RECESSIONAL HYMN Open My Eyes, That I May See**
VU# 371

***COMMISSIONING**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN**

**Go now in peace, never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true
Know He 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. Amen**

By Nancy Price and Don Besig

POSTLUDE

Rondeau

By J. Joseph Mouret

Our Worship is Over – Our Service Begins

Large Print Bulletins and **Hearing Devices** are available
(please ask an usher)

Rev. Val will be on Study Leave March 7 – 14, 2011

Stewardship Seconds Our stewardship reflects our relationship with God; our relationship with God transfigures our stewardship.

A special Benevolent Fund offering envelope is included in today's bulletin. Please give generously to this program that provides grocery gift cards to members of our community who live on assistance.

Thank You to our Volunteers

THIS WEEK - March 6, 2011

AV Crew	Jim Millar & Hong Seang
Book Nook/Library	Norma Mosgrove
Counters	Candy Dillman, Bev & Les Houston, Steve Howitt
Greeters	Tillie & Harvey Murphy, Gladys & Harold Johnston
Lay Reader	Dana Moore
Nursery	Margaret Shoemsmith
Ushers	Cec & Jan Omand, Ken Sellars & Vivian De Giovanni

NEXT WEEK - March 13, 2011

AV Crew	Jim Carse & Jim Millar
Book Nook/Library	Edith Springer
Counters	Cindy Kratky, Joan & Rick Elliott, Marge Costin
Gather 'n Gab	Rosemary & Gordon Ambrose
Greeters	Marion McCarter & Fran Crandell, Sandra & Terry Jardine
Lay Reader	Dorothy Hibbard
Nursery	Margaret Shoemsmith
Ushers	Bob & Ena Arnot, Rick & Joan Elliott

AND to Sam Boyd for his bulletin cover designs



Next Week's Bible Readings

Ash Wednesday - March 9 - Joel 2:1–2, 12–17; Isaiah 58:1–12
Psalm 51:1–17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10 Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

First Sunday in Lent - March 13 - Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12–19; Matthew 4:1–11

PANCAKES!

TODAY! Sunday March 6th

Pancake Lunch will be served after service today by our young people. All donations will go with Olivia to Nicaragua to provide clean drinking water.

The Church Mouse **deadline for next issue is Friday, March 25**

Please email your submissions and photos to churchmouse@sjruc.ca or leave them in Mailbox #54. Remember to let us know about all of your upcoming Easter and Spring events!

Men's Breakfast

Saturday March 19 at 8:30am

The attendance so far in 2011 has been minimal so we would ask all who are interested to attend. I realize that a few are away on vacation but some of the people who normally come out, we have not seen. From now until the summer a decision will have to be made whether this organization can continue in the fall. Please give us your support.

Reel Theology

Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Movie: "My Sister's Keeper" Potluck Dinner@ 6pm; Movie @ 6:45pm,

discussion to follow. *Movie Synopsis:* Sara and Brian live an idyllic life with their young son and daughter. Their family is rocked by sudden, heartbreaking news that forces them to make a difficult choice in order to save their baby girl's life. The parents' desperate decision raises both ethical and moral questions. Their actions ultimately set off a court case that threatens to tear the family apart, while revealing surprising truths that challenge everyone's perceptions of love and loyalty and give new meaning to the definition of healing.

Please **sign up** on our website <http://siruc.ca> or on the sheet in the Narthex.

Spring Food Bank Drive

Last year, you and the Rosemount community helped our 24th Kitchener Scouting family collect **2010 pounds** of food for The Food Bank! Watch for details as we plan our 2011 drive.

Book Nook

The World Needs Your Kid – Raising Children Who Care and Contribute by Craig & Mark Kielburger & Shelley Page. On Feb 17, 2011 6000 students from 250 Waterloo Region schools met at The Aud for a Me to We Day. Each student received a copy of this book. There is a copy in the library for you to borrow and share with your family. On display – borrow for 3 weeks.

Cooperating Congregations of Kitchener Bread & Broth Series

See Lenten Pilgrimage insert for details

Community News

(please see posters on bulletin boards for more info)

Pancake Supper

Tuesday March 8, 2011 5pm-7pm

At Christ the King United, Kitchener. Call 519-748-6208 for more info

Eduard Klassen Harpist and Speaker

March 27, 2011 7pm

At Calvary United, St. Jacobs



International Women's Day (8 March) is a global day celebrating the economic, political and social achievements of women past, present and future. In some places like China, Russia, Vietnam and Bulgaria, International Women's Day is a national holiday. Suffragettes campaigned for women's right to vote. The word 'Suffragette' is derived from the word "suffrage" meaning the right to vote. International Women's Day honours the work of the Suffragettes, celebrates women's success, and reminds of inequities still to be redressed. The [first](#) International Women's Day event was run in 1911.

OPEN CLOSET Donations required Monday March 7 5pm-8pm

The Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region is hosting the 5th Annual Open Closet. This year's event is on Tuesday, March 8th, 2011 from 11:30 AM until 2:30 PM in Kitchener (Trinity United Church, 74 Frederick St.). All women in Waterloo Region in honour of International Women's Day are invited to shop through the selection of gently-used, free clothing and take what they would like while enjoying complimentary refreshments. **Please consider donating gently-used clothing. Drop off time 5 - 8pm, Trinity United Church, Kitchener.**

Jeremy Camp Live 2011 Friday April 8, 2011 7pm

At Creekside Church, Waterloo uniteproductions.com for more info & tickets

"All Aboard" a sensational Fiddle Variety Show April 9, 2011 7:00pm

Join Scott Woods and his Band at Norfolk Street United Church, Guelph. Tickets by advance sales only at 519-822-6165 or info@norfolkchurch.on.ca

Fish Fry Dinner Tuesday April 26 4:30pm-7:00pm

At Calvary United, St. Jacobs. Call 519-669-5912 Advance Tickets only!

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REMINDER

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Church Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9:30am-3:30pm – Please call ahead if planning to arrive between 12noon-1pm