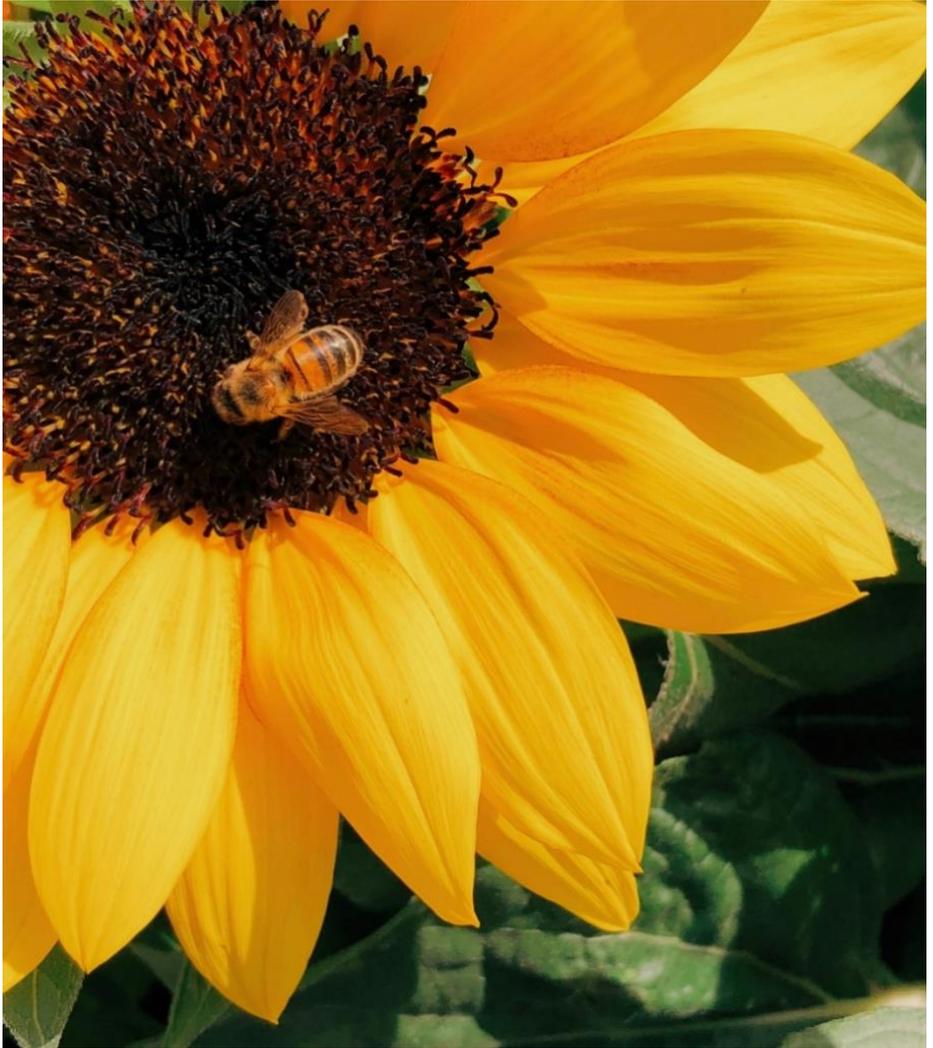

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God's Compassionate Community Sharing Christian Faith



June 12, 2022 – Annual Meeting
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

One: God you have called us to be the church. Today we meet to speak, share and make decisions about the life of our faith.

All: As we live as followers of The Way we have been led to this space, to share the light of Jesus with all those who come through our doors.

One: All those with whom we share our lives.

All: All those God calls beloved.

One: This whole creation which God has made.

All: So let us worship our God, creator and source, who charges us with the task of ministry and who blesses us with many gifts to share.

One: Let us together work for the kingdom of God.

Opening of Annual Meeting – Call to Order

Nominations – Chair and Secretary for Meeting

Mission Statement and Opening Prayer

One: We, the community of faith known as St. James'-Rosemount United Church, believe that God is the central focus and motivating force in our lives together. Our mission is to share in ministry in an atmosphere of equality. We are called upon to acknowledge and proclaim our faith, to trust in God's goodness and grace, to share our gifts, to act with integrity, and to teach others the Good News as revealed in the life of Jesus Christ...so let us pray...

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.

Hymn

Worship the Lord

VU401

Refrain *Worship the Lord (worship the Lord)
praise the Creator, the Spirit, the Son
raising our hands (raising our hands)
in devotion to God who is one!*

- 1 *Raising our hands as a sign of rejoicing,
and with our lips our togetherness voicing,
giving ourselves to a life of creativeness,
worship and work must be one!* Refrain
- 2 *Praying and training that we be a blessing,
and by our handiwork daily confessing:
we are committed to serving humanity,
worship and work must be one!* Refrain
- 3 *Called to be partners with God in creation,
honouring Christ as the Lord of the nation,
we must be ready for risk and for sacrifice,
worship and work must be one!* Refrain
- 4 *Bringing the bread and the wine to the table,
asking that we may be led and enabled,
truly united to build new communities,
worship and work must be one!* Refrain
- 5 *Now in response to the life you are giving,
help us, Creator, to offer our living,
seeking a just and a healing society,
worship and work must be one!* Refrain

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Motions (Voting, Agenda, Adjournment)

Approval of Minutes - 66th Annual Meeting held Feb 2, 2020
Business Arising from Annual Meeting

Scripture Reading (The Message) Ephesians 2:1-2

¹ Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behavior from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.

Sharing our Joys from the last two years (highlights from reports)

Motion to approve reports as printed in Annual Report

Congregational Sharing of Joys and Sorrows

Prayer of Gratitude

Hymn **Lord, You Give the Great Commission** VU512

1 Lord, you give the great commission:

'Heal the sick and preach the word.'

**Lest the church neglect its mission,
and the gospel go unheard,**

**help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity;**

**with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.**

2 Lord, you call us to your service:

'In my name baptize and teach.'

**That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,**

**give us all new fervour, draw us
closer in community;**

**with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.**

**3 Lord, you make the common holy:
'This my body, this my blood.'
Let us all, for earth's true glory,
daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us
share your children's liberty;
with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.**

**4 Lord, you show us love's true measure:
'Father, what they do, forgive.'
Yet we hoard as private treasure
all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society;
with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.**

**5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:
'I am with you to the end.'
Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity;
with the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.**

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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Offering our Thanks

Review of 2020 and 2021 Financial Statements

Motion to Approve Financial Statements

Operating Fund - Budget 2022

Motion to Accept 2022 Operating Fund Budget

Mission and Service Commitment for 2022

Prayer of Gratitude

Executive Committee Report

Nominations from the Floor

Motion to accept those elected to the Unified Board of SJR

Chairperson's Comments

Minister's Comments

Other Business

Motion to empower the Executive and Unified Board

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS

Closing Hymn

Walk with Me

VU649

Refrain ***Walk with me, I will walk with you
and build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.***

1 ***When Moses heard the call of God
he said, 'Lord, don't send me.'***

***But God told Moses, 'You're the one
to set my people free.'*** Refrain

2 ***Now Peter was a most unlikely
man to lead the flock;***

***but Jesus knew his holiness
and he became the Rock.*** Refrain

3 ***Young Mary Magdalene was sure
her life could be much more,***

***and by her faith she dared to let
God's love unlock the door.*** Refrain

4 ***And when you share your faith with me
and work for life made new,***

***the witness of your faithfulness
calls me to walk 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 June 7, we are keeping status quo for the rest of the summer, ***still encouraging masks for those able to wear them, and trying to social distance.*** 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 ask that you do so quietly behind your mask.

Christian Education: Since today is our year end party, starting next week, June 19th, children are invited to sit with their families in worship. We will resume our Sunday School activities in the fall – so please watch your email!

UCW Spring Fling Luncheon Tuesday, June 14th at 11:30 a.m. on the Labyrinth. Bring a chair & your sun hat and join us for good food & conversation. For those that didn't get a lunch order placed in time, we'd still love to see you, pack a boxed lunch and meet us on the Labyrinth!

Library Update Brenda is looking at creating an area in the library for "Memories of Olivet." This can include anything they are willing to part with as example any correspondence, reports, pictures. Please speak to Brenda if you're willing to contribute.

Memorial Book Prayer works! With a little bit of time and a whole lot of patience, we were able to locate the Memorial Book. Thank you to all those who spent time searching for this book, as it represents an important celebration of SJR's history and our gratitude.

Garden Help Needed: Spread some joy (mulch!) We have a pile of mulch in the community garden which needs to be spread on the garden paths. If you can help with that in your free time the gardeners would appreciate it. 😊

Family Walkabout! Save the Date – June 26 at 3pm – Join us as we explore the church's backyard and the amazing greenspace in the forested area near River Rd. The surface is wide and mainly smooth and the community trail is mainly flat--so very suitable for strollers and wheelchairs, and it's easy to go at your own pace, returning when you wish. Watch for our meeting location in next week's bulletin!



Summer at SJR This summer, Rev. Chris will be taking a sabbatical from the ministry at SJR from July 1st until September 30th. Sabbaticals are an opportunity for not just the minister to rest, learn and regroup especially after these last two years, but also a chance for the congregation to explore and experience different gifted preachers from our local area. We will be open all summer long, and we're excited to have these individuals sharing in worship with us!

July (*Emergency pastoral care– Rev. Gary Clark, Forest Hill*)
3rd, 10th, 17th - Teresa Carse, Licensed Lay Worship Leader
24th – Karen Cartmell, Licensed Lay Worship Leader
31st – Teresa Carse

August (*Emergency pastoral care – Rev. Tim Graham, Calvary*)
7th – Teresa Carse
14th, 21st, 28th – Karen Cartmell

September (*Emergency pastoral care–Rev. Andrea Allan, Westminster*)
4th – Rev. Marilyn Burnard
11th, 18th – Karen Cartmell
25th – Blessing of the Animals Service with Teresa Carse

During this time as well, Rev. Roz Vincent-Haven has agreed to be the pastoral charge supervisor available for any meetings necessary during Rev. Chris' absence.



Name Tags: If you do not have a name tag and would like one, please add your name to the list in the Narthex or contact the church office: mail@sjruc.ca

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If you know of anyone needing a visit, let Rev. Chris know.