

Rosedale Presbyterian Church

A Member of the St. James Town Ecumenical Coalition



Saint Paul Preaching in Athens
by Giovanni Paolo Panini (Italian, 1733, pen and brown ink)

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2017 – 10:30 AM

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*seated and in unison*)

God of Creation and Spirit of Truth,
Open our minds to your word
so that we may come to know you
more fully and faithfully each day. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT Micah 6:6-8

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 17:16-28

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSIVE PSALM 15:1-5 (*Burgundy Book, Refrain 1*)

HYMN #485 *Saviour, like a shepherd lead us*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM *Give almes of thy goods* - Christopher Tye

*Give almes of thy goods,
And turn never thy face from any poor man
And then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from you.*

GOSPEL Matthew 22:34-40

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

HYMN #480 *In Christ there is no east or west*

SERMON *Keeping our Faith Simple*

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

THE OFFERING

ANTHEM *Non nobis, Domine* - Rosephayne Powell
Not unto us, Lord, but unto Thy name be the glory.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING (*standing – Book of Praise #830*)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*standing and in unison*)
God of Peace,
you bring strength out of weakness and hope out of fear.
By the power of your Spirit make us a generous people,
that we may be partners in the grand design
of your kingdom of love. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE DISMISSAL

HYMN #468 *Lord, dismiss us with your blessing*

THE COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION (*standing*)

CHORAL AMEN *Amen siakudu misa* - S.C. Molefe

POSTLUDE *Wir glauben all' an einen Gott, Schöpfer*
(In organo pleno), BWV 680 - J.S. Bach



We invite you to remain in the sanctuary following the Benediction to listen to the Postlude. If you wish to leave, we invite you to do so quietly.

Refreshments will be served in the Great Hall.

Greeter: Brenda Reid

Reader: David Hunter

Last Week's Offering	\$4,361
Operating	\$3,952
Presbyterians Sharing	\$ 300
Other	\$ 109
Last Sunday's attendance	124

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Legacy Giving Information Session will be held in the Lounge with the Reverend Dr. Herb Gale and the Reverend Wes Denyer on the following date:

Wine and Cheese on Tuesday, May 23rd, 7:00 pm

Please contact the church office or Wes Denyer (wesdenyer@rogers.com) if you plan to attend one of these events.

The Globe and Faith considering current events in the light of our Christian faith will meet on Wednesday, May 24th at 10:30 am. Please feel welcome to participate in this group when you're available, even if you're unable to attend regularly. For more information, please contact Wes Denyer who will be facilitating this conversation each week.

The Bridge and Scrabble Group will meet on Thursday, May 25th. This is a casual, friendly group which welcomes newcomers. Tea and coffee will be served at 12:30 pm. Play begins at 1:00 pm and ends at 3:15 pm. Please feel welcome to participate in this group when you're available, even if you're unable to attend regularly.

Movie Night will be on Friday, May 26th at 6:30 pm featuring the film *Hidden Figures* which tells the story of a team of African-American women mathematicians who served a vital role in NASA during the early years of the US space program. There will be a showing at 4:30 pm in the Lounge followed by dinner and discussion. We will be having a BBQ. Sign-up sheets for salad or dessert, or to borrow the DVD are available at Coffee Hour.

The RPC Knitting Guild For those who enjoy knitting, you may pick up wool and patterns at church, available in the Church Hall on Sunday, May 28th at Coffee Hour. This ministry welcomes knitters from beginners to experts. Patterns are available for all skill levels. We invite you to contribute to this important mission project here at RPC. For more information, contact Jill Sword (jillsword@rogers.com).

A Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 28th following the Service of Worship to consider plans for renovating the kitchen, and a replacement Sound System project.

Aisha Tito Family: Please enjoy the photos of Aisha and her 3 children posted in the hall. We have been successful in locating a fine sewing machine donated by Mary Legge. We will deliver it to Aisha this week. Summer activities confirmed for the children so far: Nagham and Jowan will both attend summer school for half days in July. A lot of the focus will be on English. In August they will attend the Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office Summer Day Camp for the first 3 weeks of August. Jowan and Hamoudi will attend one fully subsidized week at Monarch Park Stadium Day Camp.

Summer drivers needed. Once we have established the swim classes (likely in the afternoons in July) and some day camp sessions (possibly the weeks of August 14- 25 that the 2 younger children might attend, we may need help with driving.

Please call Annemiek if you have weeks in the city when you might be able to be part of a driving roster.

The Evangel Hall Dinner we prepared and served last Sunday May 14 was a success.

WE THANK

- *All who prepared the main course at home:*
Amelia Farquharson, Bruce Roberts, Sandy Johnston, Jill Sword, Pat Keith, Tom Phin, Marg Tuer, Kate Ladlaw, Margot Hines, Kathy Spence and Ijeoma Ross, Annemiek Miller
- *All who made or bought delicious cakes and pies:*
Sharon and Jim Sorenson, Pat Keith, Tom Phin, Liz Pyper, Marg Tuer, Olive Pester, Sheila Tait, Jill Sword
- *Shoppers and those who assembled and prepared the dinner at the Hall:*
Jill Sword, Annemiek Miller, Margot Hines, Kate Laidlaw and Jen Bell.
- *Our army of servers:*
Jill Sword, Bill Herridge, Norm Creen, Tom, Sharon, Michael and Emily Phin, Wes Denyer, Kate Laidlaw, Margot Hines, Cooper Spence
- *Last but not least:*
All who made a donation to Evangel Hall to help cover the cost of purchasing rolls, macaroni, cheese, butter and salad ingredients.

—~— Upcoming Events —~—

<i>Legacy Giving Information Session</i>	Tuesday, May 23rd, 7:00 pm
<i>Wine and Cheese</i>	
<i>The Globe and Faith</i>	Wednesday, May 24, 10:30 am
<i>Bridge and Scrabble</i>	Thursday, May 25, 12:30 pm
<i>Movie Night (Hidden Figures)</i>	Friday, May 26
	4:30 pm - Movie Showing
	6:30 pm - Dinner
<i>Congregational Meeting</i>	Sunday, May 28, 12:00 pm
<i>Sacrament of Holy Communion</i>	Sunday, June 4
<i>Church Picnic</i>	Sunday, June 4
<i>Session Meeting</i>	Wednesday, June 7, 7:30 pm
<i>Board of Managers</i>	Tuesday, June 13, 6:30 pm

MUSIC

In the spirit of keeping faith simple, the anthems this week model kindness and humility. Like his contemporary Robert Parsons from whom we heard last week, Christopher Tye was one of the most prominent church musicians at the dawn of the Reformation, associated principally with the magnificent cathedral at Ely. Its short and simple text from the Apocryphal book of Tobit frames God's kindness in a form we too must practice. The lively setting "Non nobis Domine" by American composer Rosephayne Powell may seem somewhat at odds with its simple text, but its infectious rhythm and litany-like repeated text is indeed an offering of glory.

Bach's Klavierübung is a diverse collection of keyboard works that includes a monumental cycle of organ pieces based upon the hymns composing the Lutheran Catechism framed by a magnificent Prelude and Fugue in E-flat major. Wir glauben all' an einen Gott ('We believe in one God') is of course the first few lines of the Creed, and it occupies the central position in the set of ten hymns that speak the faith. As a structural curiosity, each hymn is set in a smaller, shorter form and a larger, more elaborate form, symbolising the lesser and greater Catechism. I offer these today as an echo of Jesus' two 'Great' commandments upon which hang all of the Law and the Prophets — a form of summary of the rest.



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Our Mission *We witness to Christ in our spiritual vitality and in our social involvement by nurturing all in the Christian life, communicating the gospel to our community, and inspiring faithful devotion & service*

Our Vision *We seek to be a vital, growing community of faith, with a glad and generous heart, that shares the blessings of the Christian life.*
