



# St. James United Church

March 31, 2024 @ 10 AM



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▲ Rise in body or in spirit  
Responses in bold

Gathering Music

Welcome & Introductions

Acknowledging the Territory

## **CROSSING THE THRESHOLD INTO EASTER**

Lighting the Christ and Pride Candles

Carillon Choir – Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Call to Worship (Responsive)

In Christ's communion,  
there are seekers and believers,  
wonderers and wanderers,  
people of certainty,  
and people of uncertainty –  
**people on Christ's Way.**

In Christ's communion,  
there are Marthas and Marys,  
Peters and Thomases,  
disciples of every kind –  
**people on Christ's Way.**

Stop and take notice of the people gathered today.  
Many faces. Many possibilities.  
Many questions and answers.  
Many hopes and dreams and doubts  
– **people on Christ's Way!**  
**Come, let us worship God.**

Opening Hymn – Morning Has Broken # 409

## Opening Prayer (Together)

**God of resurrection,  
you have rolled the stone away,  
and our tomb has been opened wide.  
With the dawn has come a new creation:  
let our worship today empty our tombs,  
renew our lives and release your power  
through the risen Christ  
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

## **LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY**

Ministry of Music – Joy Returns in the Morning

A Time of Wondering

An Ancient Word – Mark 16: 1-8

Reflection – He Is Not Here!

Reflective Music

Ministry of Music – Now the Green Blade Rises

## **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

The Sacrament of Communion – Please See Insert

The Life and Ministry of the Faith Community

## **THRESHOLD INTO GOD'S WORLD**

▲ Hymn – The Day of Resurrection # 164

▲ Commissioning & Blessing

▲ Song of Dismissal – Onward Easter People

**Onward Easter people, risen with our Lord.  
Loving, caring, sharing, spread his living Word.  
Death no longer holds him, we can plainly see.  
Christ is resurrected, we have been set free.  
Onward Easter people, risen with our Lord.  
Loving, caring, sharing, spread his living Word.**

**THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF THE FAITH COMMUNITY**  
**This Week at St James – Mar 31 - Apr 6, 2024**

Day	What	Where	Time
Sunday	Coffee and Conversation	Hall	11 am
Tuesday	Food Bank	Hall	8:30-11 am
Tuesday	Study Group: Thriving Churches	Parlour	6:30 pm
Wednesday	Study Group: Thriving Churches	Parlour	10 am
Wednesday	Craft Group	Parlour	1:30 pm
Wednesday	Transition Team	Parlour	6:30 pm



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**Thank you for your generosity!**

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**Food Bank:** Tuesday 8:30-11 (April 2, 16, 30)

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