

St. James United Church

April 5, 2015, 8.30am
Easter Sunday Communion

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry
Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM
Choir: Senior
Music Directors: Amy Dalziel
Sophia Werden Abrams

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Musical Prelude

Welcome and Life and Work of St. James



Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: As an Easter people, let us celebrate the risen Christ who stands in our midst.

All: As an Easter people, we come for renewal and restoration.

One: We come in the knowledge that the living Christ stands among us today.

All: Let us celebrate the risen Christ.

Opening Prayer: (together)

Lord, You call us as the sheep of Your pasture, and we respond. We hear Your voice, and know it is to You that we belong. When we hunger or thirst, it is Your Word that satisfies us. We follow Your paths, seeking right relationships. We need not fear death, for You are with us. You guide us with love, seeing no distinctions between us, but pouring out Your love upon all. Be with us in our worship now as we seek to live in Your presence, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn: *Morning Has Broken* 409

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 26: 6-9

Anthem

Responsive Psalm: 118, parts 1-3 837

Gospel: Mark 16 : 1-8

Hymn: *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* 155

Invitation to the Offering

Organ Offertory

Offertory Hymn: *Doxology* 541

Offertory Prayer: (together)

In this time of Easter, Lord, we offer our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to You. May these gifts be a witness to our faith that a better world is at hand, and of our willingness to play whatever role You require from us in the unfolding of Your vision for creation. Amen.

Communion Hymn: *Here O My Lord, I See You Face to Face* 459

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: (responsive)

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,.....we praise Your Name and join their unending hymn:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

One: Holy are You and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ.....as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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



Breaking of Bread and Invitation to the Table

Communion

Prayer after Communion: (responsive)

One: You have given Yourself to us, Lord.

All: Now we give ourselves for others.

One: You have raised us with Christ, and made us a new people.

All: As people of the resurrection, we will serve You with joy.

One: Your glory has filled our hearts.

All: Help us to glorify You in all things. Amen.

Closing Hymn: *The Day of Resurrection*

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Blessing & Sending Forth

Musical Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Trevor Bartlett

Accessibility at St. James United Church:

Hearing Devices

Wheelchairs

Enlarged Bulletins

If you wish to use one of the above services that we offer, please speak with one of our ushers and they will be happy to assist you.

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