This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of

Helen LeGrow,

June 14, 1926 - April 5, 2013,

from Ches and family; And in loving memory of

Parents Eric & Winnie Parsons

from Louise & Tom Harris.

## St. James United Church

April 5, 2015 Easter Sunday, 11am

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

Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand. Please turn off your cell phone during the Service.

**Musical Prelude** 

**Processional Hymn:** Jesus Christ Is Risen Today 155

**Liturgical Dance:** When You Believe

Welcome

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: The stone has been rolled away!

All: The old limits are over and forgotten. One: The stone has been rolled away!

All: Death has finally been defeated. One: The stone has been rolled away!

All: Hope sings out a new song!
One: The stone has been rolled away!

All: The Christ community joyfully begins. Amen.

**Opening Prayer:** (together)

You come amongst us in surprising ways, feeding us with joy and salvation. Come this morning, we pray: to feast our minds with wonder, to feast our eyes with renewed sight, to feast our hands with Your embrace, to feast our hearts with Your renewal, to feast our tongues with praise. Amen.

Time with the Children

**Baptismal Hymn:** Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism** 

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Presentation
Parents' Baptismal Vows

Congregational Commitment (together, standing as you are able):

We have heard the will of the parents. We receive this child in Christ's name as we ourselves have been received. We all belong to the one household of Christ. We will support these parents and this child through prayer, and provide a community of faith in which they are welcome to belong. May we serve God's world together. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed 918

**Prayer of Thanksgiving & Pouring of the Water** 

**Action of Baptism** 

**Larissa Jane Robinson**, daughter of Stephanie Diane Locke & John Lawrence Robinson

**Blessing:** (together)

May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God look upon you with kindness and give you peace.

**Invitation to the Offering** 

Offering

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.

## **Anthem**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

Scripture: Acts 10: 34-43

**Psalm:** Responsive Psalm 118, parts 1-3 837

**Gospel:** John 20 : 1-8

**Hymn:** *Morning Has Broken* 409

Sermon

**Anthem** Choir

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern** 

Closing Hymn: Thine Is the Glory 173

**Blessing & Sending Forth** 

**Musical Postlude** 

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Ushering this week is provided by:

**Usher in Charge**: Trevor Bartlett

