

Order of Service

St. James United Church

10:30 am, SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026

Easter 3

Welcome!

*We are glad you have joined us in worship.
May you feel the warmth of God's presence.*

Our Mission:

To live God's love through our actions: **Seek, Serve, Challenge.**

GATHERING

Bold** indicates words said by **All

❖ Indicates when one may stand in body or spirit

PRELUDE	Prière No. 3 (Jacques Lemmens)	Adrian Marchuk - organ
GATHERING SONG	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	VU 333 v.1
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Albert Conforzi
TRANSITION MOMENT		Gord Burrell
CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING		
INVITATION TO WORSHIP		
OPENING PRAYER		
PASSING OF THE PEACE	Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!	MV 121
❖ GATHERING HYMN	Our God Goes With Us	TLUS 113
TIME WITH YOUNGER GENERATION		
THE PRAYER OF JESUS (SPOKEN)		
CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL	This Little Light of Mine	

DISCERNING

SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 24:13-35	Albert Conforzi
ANTHEM	Walk Along Beside Me By Don Besig	Senior Choir
FAITH TALK	“Moving With Rather Than Moving On”	Rev. Richard C. Choe

RESPONDING

❖ HYMN	Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore	VU 563
CALL FOR OFFERING		
SONG OF THANKS	Everybody Hurts Music and lyrics by R.E.M.	Adrian Marchuk
❖ OFFERTORY RESPONSE	Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow	VU 541
❖ OFFERTORY PRAYER		
PASTORAL PRAYER		
❖ SUNG RESPONSE	Where Two or Three Are Gathered	MV 14
❖ CLOSING HYMN	Walk with Me	VU 649

SCATTERING

❖ BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH		
❖ SUNG BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	You Tell Me That The Lord Is Risen	Adrian Marchuk - organ

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Giving leadership in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Richard C. Choe

Presider: Albert Conforzi

Music Director: Adrian Marchuk

St. James Senior Choir

Section Leads/Soloists: Adrian Marchuk

Readers: Albert Conforzi

Sunday School Director: Karen Forgrave

Tech Support: Trinity Reid, Mary Paras

Greeters: Patrick & Sylvie Ty

Ushers: Tony Gray (Captain), James Ankrah, Regina Ankrah, Eileen McAuley

Hospitality: Joanne Atkins (L), Lila Bowen, Christine Paley, Eileen McAuley

NEXT SERVICES:

Sunday, April 26, 2026, 10:30 AM – 4th Sunday of Easter. Camping Sunday.
Vocation Sunday.

Sunday, May 3, 2026, 10:30 AM – 5th Sunday of Easter. Mental Health Sunday.

Sunday, May 10, 2026, 10:30 AM – 6th Sunday of Easter. Christian Family Sunday.
Rural Life (Rogation) Sunday.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each week, the Shining Waters Regional Council asks that we pray for each other's congregations in support of our ministries: Lawrence Park Community Church, Toronto; Humber Valley United Church, Toronto; Cummer Avenue United Church, Toronto.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transition Team Coffee Discussion: Pie Chart

Our April Coffee Discussion will be April 26 in the lounge following the service. We will be sharing how some ministers divide their time vs how YOU perceive the ministers divide their workload in the form of a pie chart. All are welcome to this interactive event. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please e-mail us at: sjutransitionteam@gmail.com

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Tickets for this year's St. James Choir fundraiser, SONGS OF COURAGE & FAITH, are available for purchase today after the service! Cost is \$40 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. This includes a delicious catered lunch, followed by a concert on Sunday, May 3, 2026. Lunch will be served directly after the church service and the concert will begin at 1:00 pm. If you are unable to join us for lunch, you can purchase a ticket for the concert only for \$25. This year's concert will feature a guest appearance by Jeff Madden, of Jersey Boys fame, as well as a number of our very own St. James exceptional musicians. You won't want to miss this joyful afternoon of hope-filled, inspirational songs!

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News from the Pews deadline - April 25, 2026.

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Saturday, May 23 is the day to participate in a fun & exciting Saturday afternoon with your family and friends from St. James! Pick a team name and join us at 2 pm for a trivia car rally, scavenger hunt, and 5 pm lasagna dinner at Jennifer & Scott's in lovely Hillsburgh - only about 1 hour from the church. Tickets for adults (including the dinner and dessert) will be only \$20/person, children 3-12 are \$5, and youth are \$10. Please let us know if you are vegetarian or gluten-free. Tickets are on sale starting today after church!

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We are pleased to announce that hands on Reiki is available by donation on Monday afternoons from 1-3 pm, as well as Tuesday nights at 7 pm. Sign-up sheets are in the binder in the Well-Being waiting room or call the office at 416-622-4113 and book with Matty.

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Our next Euchre date is: Tuesday, April 28 at 1:30 pm. Cost is \$5. All are welcome.

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Yoga: Wednesdays at 11 am, \$25/class for drop in.

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Yoga Saturdays: Are you looking to improve your mobility, balance and muscle strength? Do you want to ease those aches and pains? Consider joining our restorative, gentle yoga class, held on Saturdays at 10:00 am in the lounge. Drop-in cost is \$25. Yogis of all ability or experience are welcome! Please contact Joyce Wilson at 647-221-8514 or joy.wil31@gmail.com if you would like more information.

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TRU-Earth - <http://tru-earth.sjv.io/stjamesunitedchurch>

Support the earth and St. James. April 15 to 30

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Stewardship Second: With peace rooted in our own spirits, we can bloom and share ourselves with others.

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