

Order of Service

Richview United Church & St. James United Church

10:30 am, SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026

*Easter / Resurrection Sunday
Communion Sunday*

Welcome!

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

GATHERING

Bold indicates words said by All

❖ Indicates when one may stand in body or spirit

PRELUDE

Fanfare For Easter Sunday
Based on "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Jacqueline Sadler - organ
Max Forester - trumpet
Anik Caissie – horn
Ilan Mendel - trombone

GATHERING SONG

Morning Has Broken

VU 409

TRANSFORMATION OF THE CROSS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE OF RESURRECTION HOPE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Live Announcement
Brief Announcements

Richview and St. James
Brenda Beaton
Alex Grant-Henderson

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

❖ OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

VU 155
Max Forester – trumpet
Anik Caissie – horn
Ilan Mendel - trombone

OPENING PRAYER AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WITH SUNG RESPONSE

One Bread, One Body

VU 467
Mary-Jane Jarvis – piano
Adrian Marchuk - guitar

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

A NEW CREED

SERVING OF COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Japhet Ndhlovu and Rev. Richard C. Choe

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

One Bread, One Body

VU 467

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER (SPOKEN)

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:1-18 (MSG)

Richview Lay Reader

FIRST REFLECTION

Rev. Dr. Japhet Ndhlovu

SCRIPTURE READING CONTINUES

Alex Grant-Henderson

SECOND REFLECTION

Rev. Debbie Johnson

SLIDE SHOW

CHOIR ANTHEM

Arise! Shine!
By Joseph M. Martin
And J. Paul Williams

SJUC Senior Choir
Jacqueline Sadler - piano

OFFERING

OFFERING INVITATION

SONG OF THANKS

Beautiful City
From Godspell
Music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz
vocal arrangement by Adrian Marchuk

Kit Cooney and Adrian Marchuk

❖OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

VU 541

❖OFFERTORY PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

❖ **CLOSING HYMN**

Thine Is the Glory

VU 173
Max Forester – trumpet
Anik Caissie – horn
Ilan Mendel - trombone

❖ **COMMISSIONING BENEDICTION**

Rev. Debbie Johnson and Rev. Dr. Japhet Ndhlovu

❖ **CONGREGATIONAL AMEN**

❖ **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Hallelujah Chorus
By G.F. Handel

SJUC & RUC Choirs
and congregation

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Giving leadership in today's service:

Ministers: Rev. Debbie Johnson, Rev. Dr. Japhet Ndhlovu, and Rev. Richard C. Choe

Presider: Alex Grant-Henderson

Music Director: Adrian Marchuk

St. James and Richview Choirs

Section Leads/Soloists: Mich Anger, Kit Cooney, Astrid Atherly, Gabe Vaillant, Phil Rogalsky

Guest Musicians: Jacqueline Sadler, Max Forester, Anik Caissie, Ilan Mendel, Mary-Jane Jarvis

Readers: Alex Grant-Henderson, Richview Lay Reader

Tech Support: Andrew Paley, Mary Paras

Greeters: Eileen McAuley and Shayan Manouchehri

Ushers: Randy Wilson (Captain), Al Graham, Jim Cormier, and Nancy Cormier

Hospitality: Barb Gladden (L), Jim Cormier, Nancy Cormier, and Al Graham

NEXT SERVICES:

Sunday, April 12, 2026, 10:30 AM – 2nd Sunday of Easter.

Sunday, April 19, 2026, 10:30 AM – 3rd Sunday of Easter. Earth Sunday.

Sunday, April 26, 2026, 10:30 AM – 4 Sunday of Easter. Camping Sunday.
Vocation 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: Caledon East United Church; Glebe Road United Church, Toronto; Grace United Church, Brampton.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church Office will be CLOSED on Easter Monday, April 6, 2026.

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Here From The Beginning: A celebration of faith, history, community, and the United Church of Canada. This Exhibition shines a light on the stories, experiences, and contributions of Black people within the church, bringing forward voices that have not always been given the space they deserve. You can view the Exhibit in person at Islington United Church, April 8-16, 2026. For more information please visit their website at <https://islingtonunited.org/>

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Drop off items for Browse and Buy! We are now collecting **items for Browse and Buy, Saturday, April 18, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.** You can drop off items in the SW corner of the Lounge: paperback books in good condition, puzzles, games, and toys (no stuffed animals); children's books; new or nearly new collectibles or attic treasures. Jewelry donations should be brought to the church office. We also sell purses and scarves!

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While you are "spring cleaning", remember to BAG UP and save items to bring to church for our FUNdrive. Soft goods include clothes, shoes, purses, backpacks, hats and other accessories, as well as household linens (curtains, bedding, towels, etc.). Please bring your BAGGED, CLEAN, REUSABLE clothing or linens to drop off Tuesday, April 7th and 14th from 6:15 - 6:45pm, next Sunday, April 12th at church or during the "Browse and Buy" April 18th from 9am - 1pm. You will be helping the church and the environment at the same time! All items must be in good condition for resale.

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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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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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🌍 Earth Month Promotions - <http://tru-earth.sjv.io/stjamesunitedchurch>

Week 1 — April 1–7: Buy More, Save More!

Supporters can save more as they add more to their cart, with discounts **up to 30% off.** This is a great week to encourage stocking up.

Week 2 — April 8–14: Spend More, Save More!

Savings increase based on cart total, with discounts ranging from **10% to 30% off.** The higher the spend, the bigger the savings.

Week 3 — April 15–30: Save 22% Site-wide

Supporters can enjoy **22% off everything** when they use **Promo Code: EARTHDAY22** at checkout.

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Tickets for this year's St. James Choir fundraiser, SONGS OF COURAGE & FAITH, will go on sale 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 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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Stewardship Second: The stone has been rolled away! Hope is unleashed in the world! Share with abandon!

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The Easter plants decorating the church will be distributed to those on the Pastoral Care List this Sunday. We need volunteers to deliver them. If you are able to help deliver plants, please come to Fellowship Hall after the service to pick up plants.

THE EASTER PLANTS IN THE SANCTUARY

ARE PLACED

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MY PARENTS MABEL & ELDRIDGE by Joanne Atkins

CLIVE BOWEN by Lila & Family

BRUCE & ELDRED SMITH by Their children

HILLY ADAMS by the Gladden Family

CHARLES ROBERTS, OUR BROTHER by Marg & Bill Arscott

CHARLES BRUBACHER & JEFF CAIRNS by Roberta Brubacher

MARGARET VESIK by Christine, Andrew & Diana

RICHARD PALEY by Christine, Andrew & Diana

PETER HAMPSHIRE by Phyl & Family

BETTY & JIM ROBSON by Family

FAMILY by Allister T. Graham

OUR PARENTS by Don & Karen Munday

JAMES & AUDREY LEIGH (PARENTS) by Elizabeth Leigh

SHARON KNOTT (SISTER) by Elizabeth Leigh

KATHY STRYPE (NIECE) by Elizabeth Leigh

PETER SEEBACK (NEPHEW) by Elizabeth Leigh

MARIA HERNANDEZ (GRANDMOTHER) by Violette Hernandez

JOSEPH & LORETTA (PARENTS) by Debbie Leclair

STEVE LECLAIR (BROTHER) by Debbie Leclair

CHERYL LECLAIR (SISTER) by Debbie Leclair

FRED HODGE (GRANDFATHER) by Tiffany Leclair

**THE EASTER PLANTS IN THE SANCTUARY
ARE PLACED
IN LOVING MEMORY OF**

MOM AND DAD by Margaret Cowan-Slamen

MY SWEETIE ED by Margaret Cowan-Slamen

FAMILY AND FRIENDS, TOO MANY TO LIST HERE by Margaret Cowan-Slamen

MARGARET, WILLIAM, & DONALD ROBSON by Jean Spencer

ANN & CARLO DALGAS by Jean Spencer

OUR LOVED ONES by Gord and Carol

PAT CONFORZI by Albert Conforzi & Janet Van Melle

EMILY CONFORZI by Albert Conforzi & Janet Van Melle

KEVIN DESJARDINS by Janet Van Melle & Albert Conforzi

IRIS & HUGH VAN MELLE by Janet Van Melle & Albert Conforzi