

St. James United Church

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EASTER, SUNDAY, April 4th, 2010 11 a.m.

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude: Andante (second movement-Concerto in E flat Hob.VII e, 1)
Ryan Frizzell, Trumpet Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

*Entrance of the Paschal Candle

*Easter Proclamation: Alleluia, Christ is risen

Response: He is risen indeed, Alleluia.

***Hymn 155** Jesus Christ is risen today Easter Hymn
verses 1 & 4, English; Verses 2 & 3 French #156

*Welcome / Bienvenue

Call to Worship

This is a great and joyous festival day.

Come to celebrate amazing good news.

We gather for worship in awe and wonder.

The tomb is empty; death is not the last word.

Sing songs of praise, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God has answered our prayers with salvation.

Jesus Christ is alive and we, too, shall live.

Open your hearts and minds to the risen Christ.

You are greeted by name and welcomed here.

This is the day that our God has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***Response:** Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

(Sung) **My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, God!**

Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazon te adora!

Mi corazon te sabe decir: Santo eres Dios!

Prayer of Approach (in unison)

God of empty tombs and abundant surprises, who announces new life in the face of death, dry our tears of grief and calm the anguish of our losses as we listen for amazing good news, help us to find our identity in the person of Jesus Christ. Be to us a living presence that the story of Easter may become our story, and we can embody its hope for the whole world, as we say together the prayer that Jesus taught us..... Our Father, who art in heaven.....

Anthem: Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah HWV56) George Frideric Handel
(Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth) (1685-1759)

THE WORD OF GOD

Story Time

Every Kid Choir Voici le Jour /This is the Day Bruce Harding
Halle Hallelujah author unknown

The Gospel: John 20: 1-18

Reflection

Dedication of Easter Flowers

***Hymn 586** We shall go out in hope of resurrection Londonderry Air

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Reception of New Members: Guy-Lin Beaudoin, Magnolia Camat,
Wade Eide, Stephen Forde, Michael Geoffrey, Rory Hill, Kevin Lindstrom,
Luke Lindstrom, Emma Lisson, Patricia Lisson, Samantha Shaw

Offertory Invitation

Anthem: Easter (John Giffen, Baritone) R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

***The Offertory: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word, and Spirit, One. (#541)**

Offertory Prayer

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Kyrie Eleison (Words: VU 932) Harold Darke (1888-1976)
(from *Communion Service in F*)

We give you thanks and praise.....Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we raise our voices.....

Sanctus and Benedictus (Words VU 932, 933) Harold Darke

We give you thanks and praise..... God of life, with this bread and wine, we celebrate the birth and life of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Agnus Dei (Words VU 940) Harold Darke

All: Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, and make them holy, so that we, your people, being fed by holy things, may take light and hope, love and peace, into the world; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, now and forever. Amen.

Communion at the rail (If you require Communion at your seat, please notify an Elder when all others have been served.)

Anthems: Pain rompu Jo Akepsimas (1940-) arr. Simon Leclerc

***Hymn 213** Rejoice, the Lord is King Darwall's 148th

*The Commissioning

On this Easter morning, we rejoice that Christ is risen.

Let us go forth with hope, peace, and faith.

Let us go forth with abundant life.

Let us go forth to live the resurrection.

*The Benediction

Go Now in Peace (Congregation Seated) arr. Philip Crozier

Go now in peace, never be afraid.

God will be with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know he will guide you in all you do

Go now in love and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude: 'Te Deum' Prelude (H.146) Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704)

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. You are invited for refreshments and conversation in Dawson Hall after the service. Our thanks to the Every Kid Choir, directed by Allison Carpenter; and to Trumpeter Ryan Frizzell for joining us this morning.

We welcome into church membership:

Guy-Lin Beaudoin, Magnolia Camat, Wade Eide, Stephen Forde,

Michael Geoffrey, Rory Hill, Kevin Lindstrom,

Luke Lindstrom, Emma Lisson, Patricia Lisson, Samantha Shaw.

Nominating Committee Wednesday, April 7th 5 p.m. in the Richmond Room

Official Board meeting, Wednesday, April 7th, 6:00 p.m.

Annual Meeting - Sunday, April 11th, 12:30 p.m. (RSVP for lunch)

Prayer Shawl Group - Wed. Apr. 21st, 5:30 p.m. Knitters welcome!

Chamber Music Without Borders Recital Tuesday at 12:30 p.m.

St. James Choral Concert - Sunday, May 2nd, 7:30 p.m.

2010 Recital Series, Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m. (Beginning June 8th)

Nominations are welcomed for consideration for membership on the Court of Session, Stewards, and Trustees. Nomination forms are available through the Church office and must be returned to the office no later than April 4th, 2010.

The **Ministry & Personnel Committee** welcomes written, signed letters of concern and/or positive feedback from members of the congregation. Please address letters in confidence to Valerie Shannon, Chair, c/o the Church Office.

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in loving memory of Eileen and George Chang,
parents Thomas Hum and Ping Yee, sister Hazel Hum, and niece Betty Ann.

The Trumpeter has been made possible by the generosity of **Peggy Sangster**
in loving memory of her husband Keith and her mother Violet Steadman.

The flowers in the church this morning are given by:

Rev. Arlen Bonnar in loving memory of his grandparents,
Louise and John Chipman

Hazel Gill and Joy Cook in loving memory of their mother, Elmira Cook

Magnus Mackay in loving memory of loved ones.

Dorothy and Ruth Medley in loving memory of
Mrs. Ethel Hooper and Mr. Clarence Medley

Susan Mott in loving memory of loved ones

Lee Santiago and Family in loving memory of their sister, Annie Santiago

Valerie and David Shannon in loving memory of their parents,
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Parker and Dr. J. G. Shannon

Lorna Willey in loving memory of her sister Betty Ann
and parents, Lillian and Willis

Diane and Larry Winkiewicz in loving memory of parents
Irene and Nick Garby

HAPPY EASTER