

ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

Easter Sunday April 5th 2026

10:30 am. St. James United Church Family in Worship

“Spiritual Growth, Compassionate Living”

SEEKING JESUS - THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Music:

GOOD MORNING! Words of Welcome, Greetings and Announcements. Persons wishing to remain seated during the service are invited to do. for your personal comfort and spiritual reflection. Your presence and participation enriches us as we gather to make our journey of faith together through this season of Lent and today we celebrate Easter Sunday together!

Call to Worship

St. James Choir: **“The Power of the Cross”** - arr. By M Hayes

Prayer of Approach: (unison)

God of uprisings, God of the rising sun, the rising tide, the rising wind, the rising mist, the rising crocuses. You have raised Jesus from the dead, raising our hopes to the skies, opening up glorious new possibilities for our living, for our dying and for our living again. Raise us to new life here and now, that we may walk in faith and love every new day. This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Hymn of Praise **VU# 155 “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”**

SEEKING GOD’S TRUTH - WE LISTEN

Psalter VU# 837 Psalm 118 Parts 1,2&3 with Refrain

Family Focus: Storyteller – Rev. Barrie

Family Hymn: **VU# 424 “May the God of Hope Go with Us”**

Scripture Lesson:

Isaiah 65:17-25 “Visions of a New Creation”

John 20:1-18 “Mary and the empty tomb”

Lesson Reader: April House

Choir Anthem: **“My Song Doth Bless the Lord”** - JM Martin

Message: “OUR EASTER STORY MEANS:

Fear, Joy and Run for your Life!

Reverend Barrie Bain Preaching

Hymn **VU# 352 “I Danced in the Morning”**

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND

Presentation and Dedication of the Offering

Offertory Response: **VU #540 “Grant Us, God, the Grace”**

Offertory Prayer (unison)

Great God, You have given us new life and hope! In joyous thanksgiving, we offer to You our gifts of time talent and money. We pray that this Astounding News of Easter Hope and New Life may be shared with others throughout the world. This we do in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Hymn **VU# 173 “Thine Is the Glory”**

Benediction

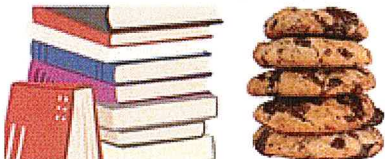
Postlude Music:

Next Sunday April 12th we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion at the 10:30 am. Worship service


April 12 2:00 pm **Heart N Soul Fundraising Concert.** Freewill Offering. Posters outside office. Please take and post around town. Help will be needed with refreshments.

FREE CLOTHING GIVE-A-WAY - The Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a free clothing give-a-way on Friday, April 17 from 6-8 pm and Saturday, April 18 from 9 am to 11 am. Donations appreciated and will be received beginning Monday, April 7. Please drop off 9 am to 12 noon Monday to Thursday ONLY! If you are available to help on Friday, April 17 at 9 am speak to Liz Leendertse.

**BOOK,BAKE &
WHAT-NOT-SALE**



**SATURDAY MAY 2
ST.JAMES UNITED CHURCH**



**150 COLBORNE ST. S.
SIMCOE
8:30-12:00**



*Flowers have been placed in
the church in loving memory
of:*

Mary Elmes from Don Elmes

Len & Kay Easdown, Ed & Dolores Mitchell, Nellie Sicklesteel
from Bill & Nancy Easdown

Husband, Harry of Marg Tisdale

John Murphy and Edith Sarafinchan, parents of Marg
Tisdale

Ken & Joyce Carey, (Ken Jr.) from the family

Our cherished Mother, Harriett Costigan, - Whom
We Miss So Much - Richard and Barbara Robinson