Welcome to this service of worship. We begin by acknowledging the traditional territory upon which we gather this morning. For many thousands of years, the Mi'kmaq have sought to walk gently on this land. They offered assistance to the first European travellers to this territory and shared their knowledge for survival in what was at times a harsh climate. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in honour and deep respect.

- **St. James Presbyterian Church** is a Christ-centered community where God is celebrated. We are committed to discerning and answering the Holy Spirit's call.
- In response to God's call St. James is and will continue to be a spiritual community that:
- Worships joyfully in a manner that is Scriptural, inspirational, educational, active, varied and prayerful.
- Welcomes all in an open, inclusive, and caring manner, accepting that all are equal before God.
- Honours and takes care of each other as we seek to know God together in the spirit of Christ.
- Puts its faith into action visibly and tangibly in the surrounding community, serving through faith, speaking for Christ, and seeking justice.
- Remains connected to its heritage of faith, reform, and active witness, and looks forward in faith and confidence to God's presence.

#### At the Kirk this Week

Today: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service & Children's Worship Greeters: Rebecca Wellner & David Harrison

Wednesday: 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service & Children's Worship Greeters: Glenda Montigny & Daphne Dumont

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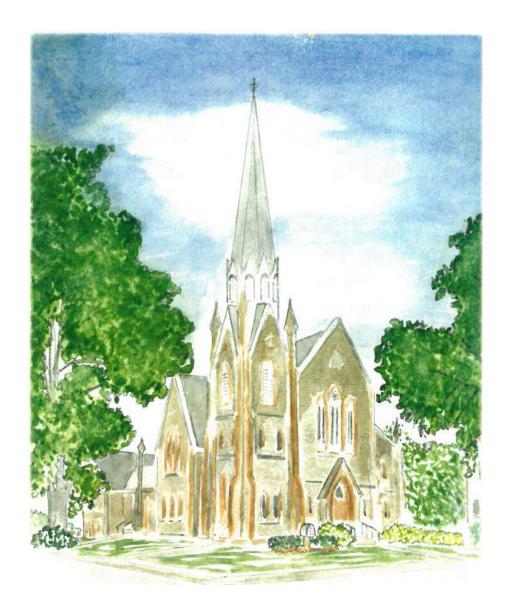
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## Order of Service

Sunday, April 14th, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

# Approach to Worship

Prelude: Adagio, from Sonata #2 in c minor

F. Mendelssohn

Responsive Call to Worship

We gather with joy, for Easter brings us new life.

The Risen Christ is with us wherever we go.

Love breaks all bonds and unites us in hope.

Christ has defeated death. Let us rejoice and be glad!

Come and worship with hearts full of praise.

O God, receive our grateful Hallelujahs!

\* Processional Hymn: Christ is alive!

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Prayer of Adoration

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: Lo, I am with you always

E. Daley

\* Hymn of Praise: I danced in the morning

(Vs. 1-3) 250

Children's Time

(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)

Hymn of Praise: I danced in the morning

(Vs. 4-5) 250

Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

God our Redeemer,

in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power to defeat all that brings fear and sorrow to our lives.

Yet we confess we are sometimes uncertain

if we can trust the promise of resurrection for ourselves.

Forgive us when we struggle to trust your goodness for us.

Forgive us when we miss the signs of your love in our midst.

Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Sung Response 260

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

#### The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and courage to follow on the path you set before us this Easter season. Amen.

New Testament Reading: Acts 3:12-19

P. 120 NT

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 4

(Burgundy Book) R. 1

New Testament Reading: Luke 24:36-48

P. 91 NT

(L: The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.)

\* Hymn: Where charity and love prevail

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Sermon:

Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

## Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: I waited for the Lord

F. Mendelssohn

Offering announcement

Offertory: Oh for the wings of a dove

F. Mendelssohn

\* Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

# Returning To Service

\* Recessional Hymn: Now let the vault of heaven resound

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\* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Allegro moderato e serioso from Sonata #1 in f minor

F. Mendelssohn

# In Worship This Week

Minister: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Music Director/Organist:

Frances McBurnie Simon Lloyd

Scripture reader: Sound System:

David Toms

Videographer:

Barbara McPherson