## St. Davids-Queenston United Church

April 6, 2025, 10:30am, Fifth Sunday in Lent

#### **Land Acknowledgement**

There were people here long before we came to live on this land as settlers and descendants of settlers. We acknowledge these many Nations of Indigenous people who first lived and currently live here. We give thanks to this land, the territory(s) of these Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples. We do this to acknowledge our responsibility to enhance and promote peace among all who now share this land, as well as good stewardship of it and its resources.

#### **GATHERING AND MUSICAL PRELUDE**

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: VU # 339 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

#### LIGHTING THE CANDLE

(A candle is lit) As we light this candle, we acknowledge the darkness and pain of war and conflict in the world. Let us pray:

Loving God, we open our hearts to you. We invite you into our inmost being, only to find you already there. Strengthen us in our quiet places and then lead us into the work of justice and peace. Amen.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come to this place to continue your Lenten journey.

We have come with our temptations and our laments.

Come to this place to understand what God is calling you to let go of.

We come as forgiven people ready to forgive others.

Come to this place to find and accept the abundance and extravagance of God's love and God's grace.

We come to worship God. Where will you grow as a disciple of Jesus this Lent?

#### **GATHERING PRAYER**

You show us our alternatives, Loving God;

we can help and heal, or we can leave alone.

You show us our alternatives, Loving God;

we can support and encourage, or we can ignore and criticize.

You show us our alternatives, Loving God;

we can work and grow together, or we can leave the work to others.

You show us our alternatives, Loving God;

we can follow the pattern of Jesus, or we can go our own way.

Guide us, Loving God,

as we recognize and make faithful choices. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung) VU#960

# ST. DAVIDS-QUEENSTON UNITED CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

Welcoming all to: Gather in God's Grace, Grow in Christian Faith and

Go in Community Service.

SACRED MUSIC: 'All in the April Evening' (Choir)

LEARN TOGETHER: VU# 577 "I've Got Peace like a River"

(Youth and Children's time)

I've got \*peace like a river, I've got \*peace like a river, I've got \*peace like a river in-a my soul. (Sing Once, \*2, Love, 3, Joy)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 2:13-17

Micah 6:8

This is the Word of God for the people of God Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "Lent in 2025:

The Courage to Be a Trouble Maker for Christ?"

\* HYMN: VU #460 "All Who Hunger"

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Something Sacred: Reflections

on Music and Faith. (Melanie Kelch)

HYMN #400 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

#### PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

\*OFFERTORY HYMN: (VU #701) "What Does the Lord Require of You"

What does the Lord require of +you? (X 2)
Justice, kindness,
walk humbly with your God.
To seek justice, and love kindness,
and walk humbly with your God.

#### \*OFFERING PRAYER:

We have experienced your voice, O God, in the wilderness, and we respond with our weekly offering. It is a blessing to have this opportunity to serve. We pray that the impact of these offerings may be deep and far-reaching. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN VU #337 "Blessed Assurance"

#### \*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

Go now in peace. Go in love. Go transformed and nourished by the covenant of old that calls us to live in right relations and with kindness and humility. Go from here aware of your wounds, letting Holy Love bind them up. Go from here in strength, with the power to be tender. Go from here united, in Christ and in love. Amen!

Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry 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. Amen

#### \* ORGAN POSTLUDE

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the CE hall following the Worship service this morning

Mar 5(Wed) ~ Apr 17(Thurs), Lent in 2025: Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

- \* Apr 13(Sun), 2025: Palm Sunday
- \* Apr 13(Sun)-Apr 19(Sat): Holy Week
- -Apr 17(Thurs) at 7pm: Maundy Thursday (Hand Washing Service)
- -Apr 18(Fri) at 10:30am: Good Friday Service, Communion Service.
- \* Apr 20(Sun), 2025, 10:30am: Easter Service with Special Music

Thank you to Betty Cant for being the greeter, to Melanie Kelch for being the Lay Reader, to Christina Travers for leading the Sunday School, to Lisa Brillon and the choir for their musical contribution, to the Ladies in the Kitchen for preparing coffee and goodies for the coffee hour and to Allen Zhang/Bill Utting/Steve Hardaker for livestreaming the Worship Service this morning.

Our Easter food drive continues up to and including Easter Sunday, April 20th. All donations collected will go to Project Share.

Today is tooney Sunday. There is a collection box in the Narthex and on the table outside the kitchen. All money collected will be going to support local mission outreach projects.

The UCW will meet this Wednesday, April 9th at 1:30 pm.

Doug McArthur and the activities committee welcome all to the Beef-on-Bun/games night this Friday, April 11th at 6pm. Adults \$13 and children (12 & under) \$5 Please let Doug know if you are able to donate a pie.

The Queenston Women's Chorus in collaboration with the Niagara Men's Chorus will be presenting a choral concert on Saturday April 26th at 7 p.m. titled 'Spring Awakenings' at Trillium United Church, 415 Linwell Road, St. Catharines. The program will feature the beauty of modern choral works focusing on the renewal and vibrancy of spring. Both choirs will present selections on their own and will join to sing several uplifting selections together. Tickets are available at the door - \$20/adults and \$15/students - or from Melanie, Marianne or Lisa.

Our choir will be singing at the 100th Centennial Celebration Concert at Welland Central United Church on Sunday May 4th at 4 p.m. Over 10 choirs in the Niagara region will be participating and the concert will culminate in a massed choir presentation that will be filmed for Vision TV to be televised on the United Church's 100th anniversary on June 10th. All are welcome to attend.

Continuing prayers have been requested for Bob Kerr, Owen Calhoun, Jim Griffiths, Roy & Jennie Harwood, Michael Antoniuk, Sandi Sinclair, Neil Foss, Ginny Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan and Anthony Logan Siconolfi.

Continuing prayers have also been requested for Lenore Cardif-Hinchliffe, Josephine Weatherall, Mary Kolbuc and family, Michael Fisher, Marcia Tyrell, Gary Hunt & family, Ray & Chris Smith, Sandra Dunn, Patti Pozzobon and the Vanderburg family.

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# When Morning Gilds the Skies

(Quand le soleil se lève)



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- 3 Let all of humankind in this their concord find: may Jesus Christ be praised! Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 4 Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
  may Jesus Christ be praised!
  Be this th'eternal song,
  through all the ages long:
  may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 3 C'est le choeur de louanges qu'entonnent tous les anges: béni soit Jésus Christ! Et que la terre entière répète la prière: béni soit Jésus Christ!
- 4 Qu'en joie comme en détresse nos chants disent sans cesse: béni soit Jésus Christ! Que dans tous les langages ce soit le chant des âges: béni soit Jésus Christ!



## I've Got Peace like a River







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