St. Davids-Queenston United Church

January 19, 2025, 10:30am, Second Sunday after Epiphany

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.

<u>GATHERING AND MUSICAL PRELUDE</u>

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: VU# 367 "Come Down O Love Divine"

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

(The candle is lit) Light of the World, be our guide. Reveal to us the radiant glory of hope and peace in our world too often overshadowed by injustice. Illumine the way of kindness, compassion, and harmony. Let it begin with each one of us. We pray in the name of the glorious Christ. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Together, we follow our hearts and our dreams to this moment.

We listen and learn, love and pray.

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with the long days of travel, the gifts of strangers, the horror of power, the celebration of life.

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We listen and learn, love and pray.

Joining with the magi, together, we worship the babe, our hope.

GATHERING PRAYER

Eternal God, who is more than a parent to each of us, we come as followers of Jesus Christ, seeking to live out our call to proclaim the revealed light of Christ in this world.

We express the depth of our trust in your presence and your ability to provide for us.

We express our trust by doing what we are called to, rather than what is easy to do. Help us to respond with a yes! to your urging, your call. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung) #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: 'Disciples of Christ' (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: Matthew 13:24-30

Ephesians 4:11-16

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

SERMON: "Let's Grow Together!!!"

* HYMN: VU # 603 "In Loving Partnership We Come"

MINUTE FOR MISSION: (Valerie Zuk)

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 #55 "In The Bleak Midwinter"

What can I give him? Poor as I am. If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb. If I were a Wiseman I would do my part.

Yet what I can I give him. Give my heart.

*OFFERING PRAYER:

Holy One, we give our gifts and talents, just as the wise ones brought you frankincense, myrrh, and gold, when you were on your mother's knee. We bring you our earthy treasures to help illuminate your presence on this earth. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN # MV 214 "May God's Sheltering Wings"

*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

In God's wisdom, may we move out from this place of worship. Through Jesus' teachings kept in our hearts, may we examine the world from a new perspective. And may the love of the Holy Spirit flow in and around us through all our interactions this week. 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Thank you to Sue Foss for being the greeter, to Valerie Zuk for being the Lay Reader, to Nikole Amato 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.

The Worship & Faith Life committee will meet after the Worship service this morning.

The Church Board is currently compiling information for the Nominating Committee Report that will be included in the 2024 Annual Report. The following positions are vacant: Church Board Vice-Chair, one of two Church Board At Large Members and one of two Regional Council Representatives. If you have an interest in filling any of these vacant positions, please talk to Marianne McRae (Congregational Chair), Sandra MacDonald (Church Board Chair) or Steve Hardaker (Nominating Committee Chair).

The Spiritual Care Committee will meet this Wednesday, January 22nd at 4:00pm in the Christian Education Hall. New members are always welcome to attend.

The congregation contact information is being updated and Darlene has asked that anyone who has recently changed their email address or anyone who has not as yet provided an email address, if available, please do so. Please fill out the small blue card inserted in the bulletin and place it on the offering plate.

Prayers for Hether Deans as she mourns the death of her brother-in-Law, Dr. Vito Forte.

Continuing Prayers have been requested for Elijah, Shirley Servos, Sheila Dougan, 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 Cardiff-Hinchliffe, Josephine Weathererall, Mary and John Kolbuc, Michael Fisher, Marcia Tyrell, Gary Hunt & Family, Jeannie Vanderburg & her mother Beaty, Ray & Chris Smith, Sandra Dunn and Patti Pozzobon.

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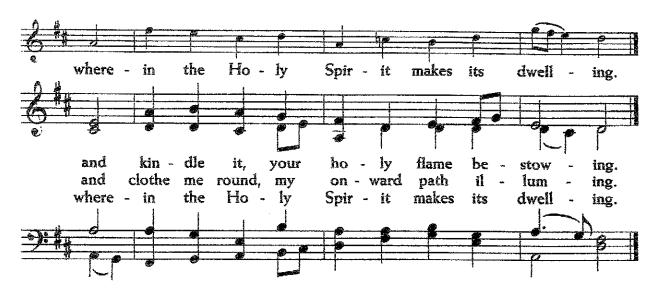
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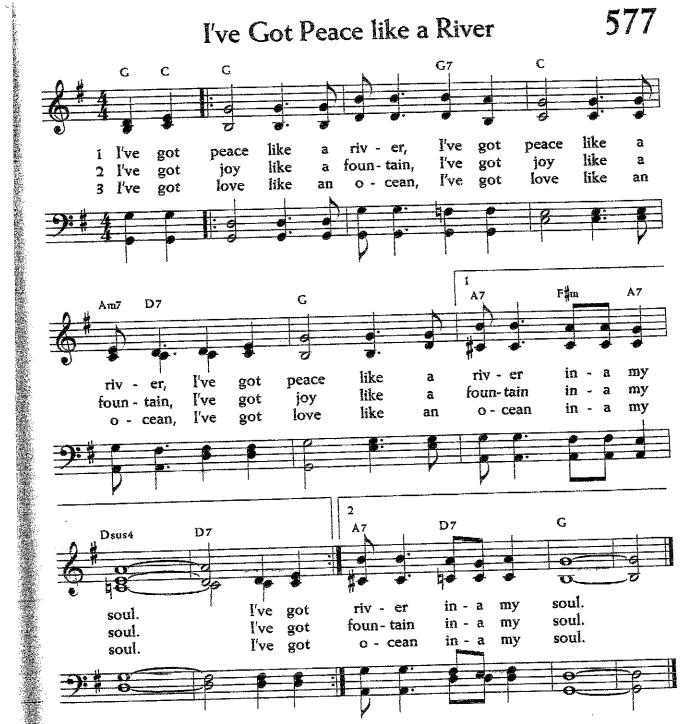
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MY 214

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A blessing for baptism, for healing prayer, and for the close of worship.

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