

St. Davids-Queenston United Church

March 23, 2025, 10:30am, Third Sunday in Lent
Celebration of the 70th Anniversary of the Church Hall

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 #331 "The Church's One Foundation"

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

A keeper of the Law walked up to Jesus and asked him, "Teacher, what is the greatest commandment?"

Jesus replied, "Love God with all that you are."

As the man turned away to think about what he had heard, Jesus said,

"Wait, there is a second one just like the first: Love your neighbour in the same way you are to love yourself."

The great commandment shines on and shines through all things: the writings of the law, the words of the prophets, every moment of our lives!

In every moment, Christ's light shines! Alleluia! (A candle is extinguished.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to remember our history.

God calls us to act for the sake of our future.

God calls us to dream new dreams.

God calls us to forge new adventures.

God calls us to love and service.

God calls us to be Christ's disciples. May we hear God's call and follow.

GATHERING PRAYER

Irresistible God, thank you for calling each one of us.

We are here because of the faithfulness, dedication, and hard work of these church members, and those who came before us.

Inspire, lead and equip us to follow you in new opportunities and new paths of service.

May we willingly use our gifts to change people's lives and our world. Speak to us, O God, and renew our lives in Christ's name. 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: 'Bless this House' (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: Nehemiah 12:22-26

Matthew 7:24-27

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

CELEBRATION OF THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY

REMEMBRANCE

Remember the brave and believing people who brought God's message to this place.

Let us not forget them, by their energies this congregation was gathered, given order, built up, and continued.

We remember them with thanksgiving.

Follow as they followed, in the way, truth, and life of Jesus Christ, the head of the church. (A moment of Silence)

With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. **Amen!**

* HYMN: MV# 1 "Let Us Build a House"

*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 offer our harvest of abundance from the seeds you planted within us. Bless these gifts of time, of talent and of treasure that we return to you, and that they scatter seeds of hope, of justice and of love everywhere. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN VU# 389 "God is Here"

*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

Beloved, as you go into the world this day and this year, may you receive this blessing as both gift and call:

Blessed are you who give your life to living deeply within the Spirit's call, who long to be planted fully within the heart of Christ and to love God's world with all your heart.

Blessed are we who live this life and give this life, for we are not alone in this living and dying and rising again. God is with us! And we are blessed to be a blessing, now and always. Thanks be to God! Let the people say, **Amen!**

*VESPER

*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 Elma Gardner for being the greeter, to Valerie Zuk for being the Lay Reader, to Sue Foss 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.

Please be reminded of the very necessary Boiler/AC replacement fundraiser we have currently in progress.

Save the date for the yard sale and bake table. It will be held on Saturday, May 31st. Please keep this in mind when you do your spring cleaning.

The Spiritual Care Committee will meet this Wednesday, March 26th at 4pm in the Christion Education Hall.

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

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The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foundation is Je - sus Christ our Lord,
 2 Called forth from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 ♦ 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der the world sees us op - pressed
 4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of our war,
 5 We now on earth have un - ion with God the Three in One,

we are his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word,
 one char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
 ♦ by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 we wait the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more,
 and share through faith com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

from heaven he came and sought us that we might ev - er be
 One ho - ly name pro - fess - ing and at one ta - ble fed,
 ♦ yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up, "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious our long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, hap - py ones, and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

his liv - ing ser - vant peo - ple, by his own death set free.
 to one hope al - ways press - ing, by Christ's own Spir - it led.
 ♦ But soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

960 - The Lord's Prayer

F Dm C F C(7) Dm C7 F C

Our Fa - ther, who art in heaven, hal - low - ed be thy name. Thy king - dom

C Gm D7 Gm C F Bb F C F

come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day

Dm C F C7 Dm C7 F C Gm D7

our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pass - es, as we for - give

Gm C F Bb F C F Dm C F

them that tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,

C7 Dm C7 F C

but de - liv - er us from e - vil: for thine is the king - dom and the

Gm D7 Gm C F Bb Cm7 C7 F Bb Bbm F

power and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

I've Got Peace like a River

577

G C G G7 C

1 I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a
 2 I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a
 3 I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an

Am7 D7 G 1 A7 F#m A7

riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in - a my
 foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in - a my
 o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in - a my

2 Dsus4 D7 A7 D7 G

soul. I've got riv - er in - a my soul.
 soul. I've got foun - tain in - a my soul.
 soul. I've got o - cean in - a my soul.

1

Let Us Build a House

(All Are Welcome)

Unison

♩ = 100

C⁷ F C/E F B^b C

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and
 ♦ 3 Let us build a house where love is found in
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be -
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their

Dm C/E F B^b C F/A Dm⁷

all can safe - ly live, a place where saints and
 words are strong and true, where all God's chil - dren
 ♦ wa - ter, wine and wheat; a ban - quet hall on
 yond the wood and stone to heal and strength - en,
 songs and vi - sions heard and loved and treas - ured,

Gm⁷ C Gm⁷ F/A B^b C⁷ B^b/F F

chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for - give. Built of
 dare to seek to dream God's reign a - new. Here the
 ♦ ho - ly ground, where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the
 serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the
 taught and claimed as words with - in the Word. Built of

Am⁷ Dm⁷ Gm⁷ C F F/A

hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of
 cross shall stand as wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's
 ♦ love of God, through Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and
 out - cast and the stran - ger bear the im - age of God's
 tears and cries and laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of

B^b F B^b A⁷ Dm

grace; here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 grace; here as one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 ♦ space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
 face; let us bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 grace; let this house pro-claim from floor to raft - er:

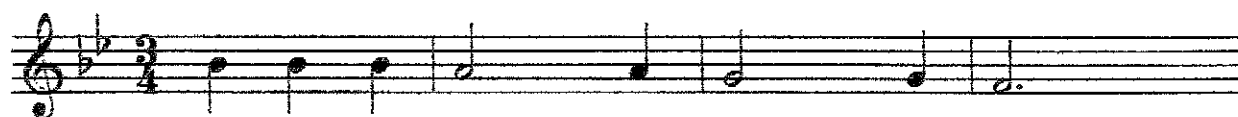
Gm Dm Am⁷ Gm/B^b F/C

All are wel - come, all are wel - come, all are wel - come

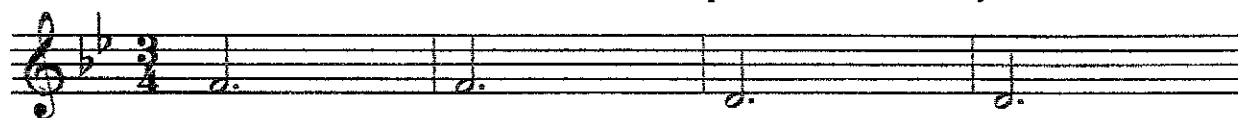
Gm⁷/C C⁷ F B^b/F F B^b/F F B^b/F F Fine F/C

in this place.

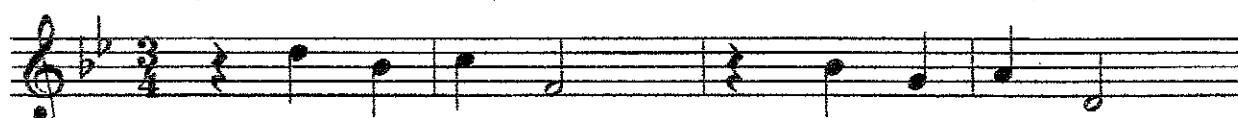
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1 What does the Lord re - quire of you?



2 Jus - tice, kind - ness,



3 To seek jus - tice, and love kind - ness,



What does the Lord re - quire of you? you?




walk hum - bly with your God. God.




and walk hum - bly with your God. God.




God Is Here




1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 God of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world a -
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es - ty of
 Christ sus - tains us, as of old. Here the ser - vants of the
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's ded - i -



round us, all our var - ied skills and arts wait the
 preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech, here, in
 Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore what it
 ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive; we, who