### St. Davids-Queenston United Church

#### March 2, 2025

#### 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 # 222 "Come, Let Us Sing"

#### LIGHTING THE CANDLE

(The candle is lit) We light the Christ candle each week, as a reminder that the presence of Jesus guides our lives. We celebrate this light of Jesus as the love that transforms how we live our lives and challenges us to seek justice and peace for all.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

We come hoping to find Jesus in our midst.

The one who opens our hearts

and helps us discover God.

The one who calls us to faith

and reminds us of God's love.

The one who delights in surprising his people,

a giver of good gifts,

turning water into wine,

giving hope when our hope has run out.

Come, let us gather together in expectation.

We come searching for Jesus in our midst.

#### **GATHERING PRAYER**

Holy God, we come to this place, not because you are to be found nowhere else, but because here, we have no other task than to be in your presence. Here, we tune our senses to listen, our spirits to discover, our hearts to feel, and our minds to wonder.

May the glory that you are touch this hour of our time, so that it may be for us a transforming moment bringing new light, new hope, new courage, and new commitment to follow in the way of Christ, in whose blessed name we pray. 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: 'The Shepherd's Heart' (Bob Prentice)

<u>LEARN TOGETHER:</u> 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: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Exodus 4:1-5

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

SERMON: "Every Part of the Body Matters!"

\* HYMN: VU # 602 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

MINUTE FOR MISSION (Bob Prentice)

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:

Gracious God, there are many reasons for us to stay where we are—some more compelling than others. But our money can always travel and go where you need it. May these gifts reflect our commitment to follow Jesus. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN VU# 701"What Does the Lord Require of You"

#### \*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

And now may Love, which is our source, also be our guide and destination as we continue to live the lives that God has given us. May others experience the deep, deep love of God through knowing us, and may peace and love fill our hearts this day, this morning, and forevermore. **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**

Mar 5(Wed) ~ Apr 19(Sat), 2025, Lent in 2025: Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the CE hall following the Worship service this morning. The Sunday school and Youth Group are putting on a pancake lunch today following the Worship service. Tickets are still available The cost is \$15 which includes pancakes, sausage, bacon and fruit cocktail. Please see Sue Foss.

(This Wed) Mar 5th, at 7pm: Ash Wednesday Service.

(Next Sun) Mar 9th: First Sunday in Lent, Communion Sunday.

Thank you to Florence Turner for being the greeter, to Bob Prentice for being the Lay Reader and for his Solo, to the choir for their musical contribution, to the Sue Foss, the Sunday school and youth group for the Pancake Luncheon and to Allen Zhang/Bill Utting/Steve Hardaker for livestreaming the Worship Service this morning.

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 Spiritual Care Committee has been looking for new ways to reach out/ connect within our church family. Until early spring a slip of paper will be available in the bulletin with the headings Name: Date of Birth: there will be room for 2 members on front and for those with additional family members please use the back as well. These will be collected on the offering plate and once the collection is completed it will be compiled into a list. This list would be available from the ushers only if requested as we understand this is personal information and must be handled respectfully.

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.

Prayers for Beaty Vanderburg and family on the death of Beaty's daughter Jeannie.

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 and Patti Pozzobon

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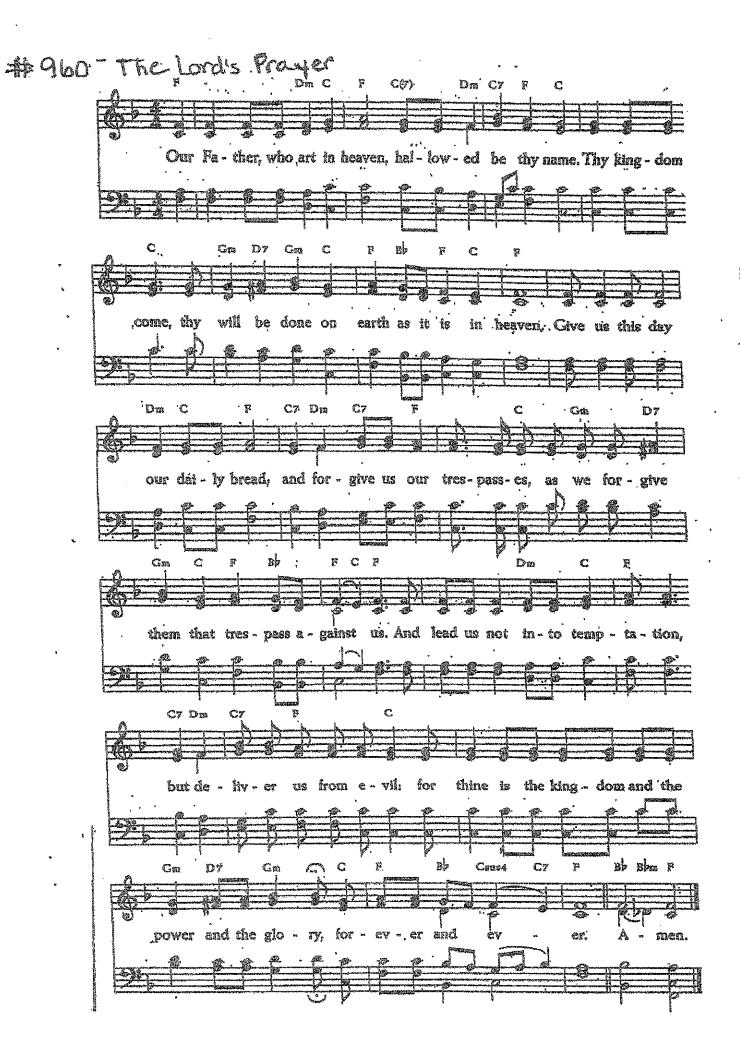
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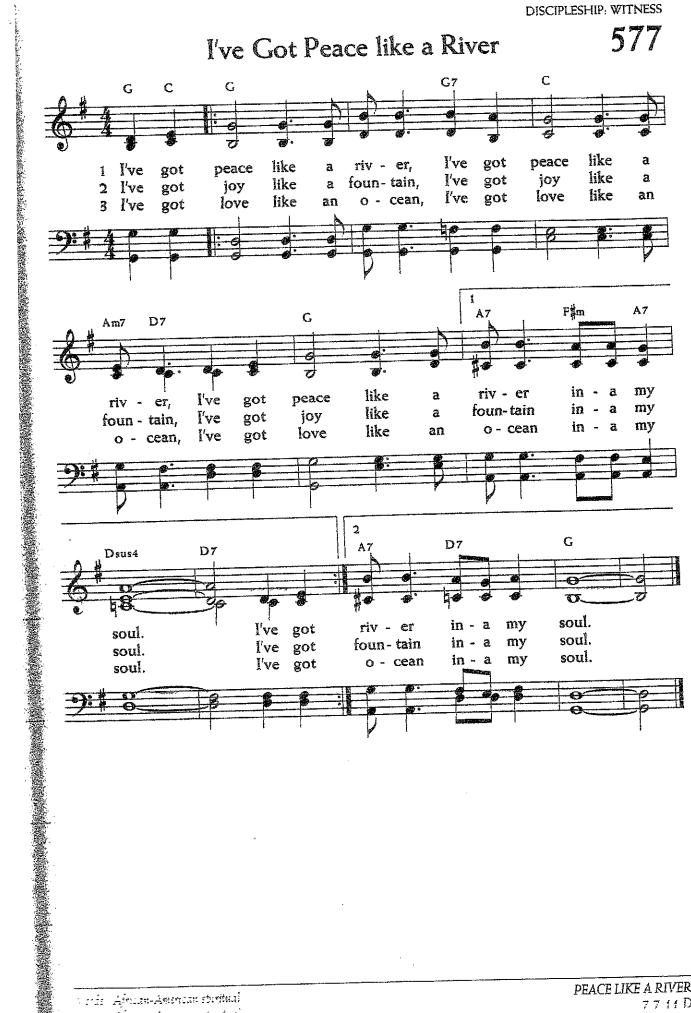
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### Come, Let Us Sing





I've Got Peace like a River



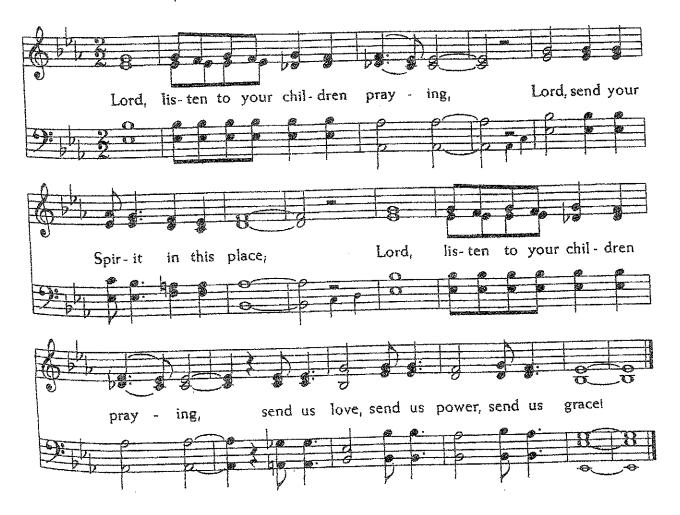
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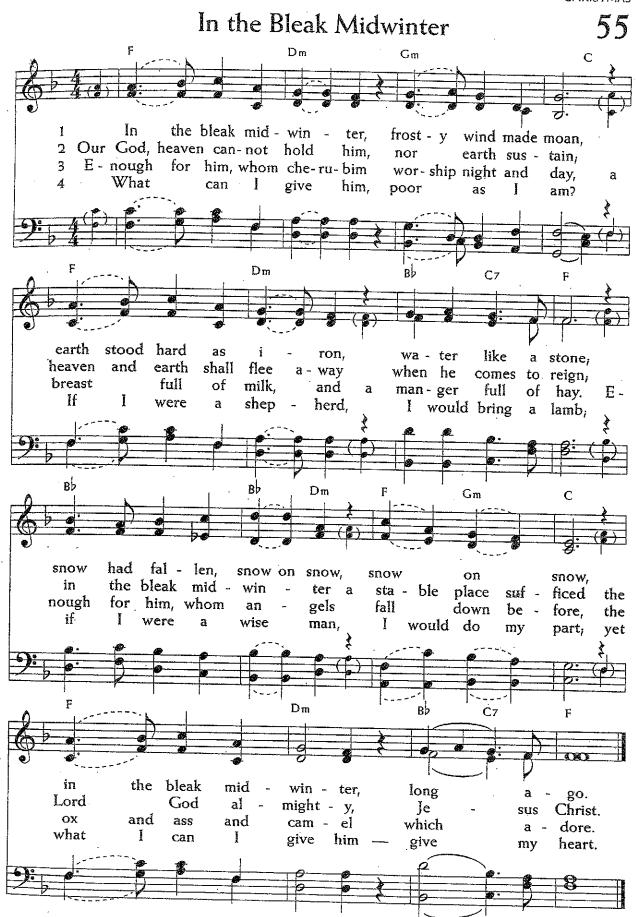
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