

St. Davids-Queenston United Church

**November 23, 2025, Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Children's Sunday**

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.

(* Please stand up as you are able)

GATHERING AND MUSICAL PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

*OPENING HYMN: # VU 445 "A Little Child the Saviour Came"

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Hello, Super Heroes! Are you ready to learn about our Super Power from God?! **Yes!!** (Sunday School Only)

Leader: To start, we light our Super Power Light! This light reminds us that Jesus said, "I am the Light of the World!" And guess what? He gives US His light to shine! So when you see this flame, remember YOU are a light for Jesus! (the candle is lit.)

Leader: Let's all say together: "Thank you, Jesus, for being our light!"

THANK YOU, JESUS, FOR BEING OUR LIGHT!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Is God awesome? **Yes!** Does He love us? **Yes!**

Then let's tell Him! I'll say a line, and you shout it back as loud as you can! Ready?

GOD IS SO GOOD!

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GOD'S LOVE IS HUGE!

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LET'S SING AND DANCE FOR JESUS!

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Let's worship God with everything we've got!

GATHERING PRAYER

Let's close our eyes and talk to God together. You can repeat after me.

Dear Heavenly Father...**Dear Heavenly Father...**

Thank you for this awesome day!

Thank you for this awesome day!

Thank you for all our friends here.

Thank you for all our friends here.

Please help us to listen...**Please help us to listen...**

To learn, and to have fun with You!

To learn, and to have fun with You!

In Jesus' name, Amen! **In Jesus' name, 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: "O Give Thanks"

LEARN TOGETHER: # VU 365 "Jesus Loves Me" v1
(Youth and Children's time)

*Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong, in his love we shall be strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

SACRED MUSIC by SUNDAY SCHOOL: "My Own Super Hero"

SCRIPTURE LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Joel 2:28-32

This is the Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "The Sacred Noise of Our Children!"

* HYMN: # VU 644 "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"

MINUTE FOR MISSION

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 542 "We give You but Thine Own"

*We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.*

OFFERING PRAYER:

Abundant God, bless our commitments. Let our gifts of love multiply and shower the world with love. Let us be each other's encouragement and building up. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN # MV 161 "I Have Called You by Your Name"

COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

We have received the Good News, and we are challenged to live faithfully.

We have sung hymns of praise, and we go out into the community with joy in our hearts.

We have prayed fervently and experienced the touch of the Divine.

So, go back to your everyday activities strengthened, enriched, and encouraged. Go out into a world that sorely needs to experience radical love.

May the wonder and awe of God encircle you in the coming days. May the courage of Jesus Christ guide you in all you do. May the tenderness of the Holy Spirit lead you, this day and always. **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*

* PIANO POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Please see the insert with respect to the road closures and alternate routes.

A Journey Through Advent 2025: Nov 30(Sun) ~ Dec 24(Wed). 2025, Join us this Advent season as we anticipate the celebration of Christ's birth. Each Sunday, we'll light a candle of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love, culminating in the lighting of the Christ Candle on Christmas Eve.

Upcoming dates to note

November 30th - 1st Sunday of Advent, Communion will be served.

December 7th - White Gift and Mitten Tree Sunday

December 14th - Blue Christmas service during morning service

December 14th - Christmas Candlelight Service led by choir at 7PM

December 24th - Christmas Eve service

The UCW will be having their Christmas meeting/luncheon on December 3 at the Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club at 1 pm. All women are welcome. Please let Mary Harrison know if you can attend. All attendees will be responsible for the cost of their own lunch.

The final Beef on a Bun for 2025 will be held Friday, December 12. Please plan to attend for good food and cards.

The UCW meat pies will be available for pick up on Friday, November 28 between 11:30 and 12:30.

Celebrate the joy of the season with the Queenston Women's Chorus at their annual festive holiday concert, Swing Into Christmas, on Sunday, December 7 at 3:00 p.m. at Trillium United Church (415 Linwell Road, St. Catharines). Enjoy an afternoon filled with sparkling harmonies, lively rhythms, carol singing and heartwarming holiday favourites—perfect for getting into the Christmas spirit! After the concert, join the chorus for a complimentary reception featuring seasonal treats and good cheer. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students, available at the door or in advance. All net proceeds will support Newark Neighbours and the NFPA Scholarship Fund, helping to spread the spirit of giving throughout our community.

Thank you to Marilyn Beatty for being the greeter, Bob Prentice for being the worship leader, Christina Travers for leading the Sunday School, Lisa Brillon and the choir for their musical contribution, 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.

Continuing prayers have been requested for Jim Gates, Bob Kerr, Jim Griffiths, Matt Jones, Roy and Jennie Harwood, Michael Antoniuk, Sandi Sinclair, Ginny Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan and Anthony Logan Siconolfi.

Continuing prayers have also been requested for Marcia Tyrell.

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A Little Child the Saviour Came

1 A lit - tle child the Sav - iour came,
 2 He who, a lit - tle child, be - gan
 3 We bring them now, and in your name
 4 O God, who by an in - fant's tongue

the might - y God was still his name;
 the life di - vine to show God's plan
 the sav - ing love of Christ pro - claim.
 can hear your per - fect glo - ry sung,

and an - gels wor - shipped as he lay
 pro - claims from heaven the mes - sage free,
 Through liv - ing wa - ter, grace en - dow,
 may these with all the heav - enly throng,

the help - less in - fant of a day.
 "Let lit - tle chil - dren come to me."
 bap - tize them with your Spir - it now.
 praise you: Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Son.

Words: William Robertson ca. 1861, alt.

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644 I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

Unison



1 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
 3 When you heard the won - der of the word, I was
 5 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too
 7 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
 there to cheer you on, you were raised to praise the
 old, no long - er young. I'll be there to guide you
 there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you

were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold.
 liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
 through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.
 were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold. Fine

2 I was there when you were but a child, with a
 4 If you find some - one to share your time and you
 6 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo and mood are indicated by the title and the style of the music. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score includes two systems of music. The first system has five measures with chords Am, D, G, G/B, and C. The second system has four measures with chords G, A7, D, and D.C. (Da Capo). The lyrics are: 'faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell. vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun. al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.'

Am D G G/B C

faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you
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shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have

G A7 D D.C.

wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell.
vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.
al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.

Living Water, Source of Life

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God our Mother,
Living Water,
River of Mercy,
Source of Life,
in whom we live
and move
and have our being,
who quenches our thirst,
refreshes our weariness,
bathes
and washes
and cleanses our wounds,
be for us always
a fountain of life,
and for all the world
a river of hope
springing up in the midst
of the deserts of despair.
Honour and blessing,
glory and praise
to You forever. Amen.

161 I Have Called You by Your Name

(Tu sais...je t'ai appelé(e) par ton nom)

Unison

♩ = 60 C⁷sus⁴ C⁷

F

B^bC⁷Fsus⁴

F

1 I have called you by your name, you are mine;
 2 I will help you learn my name as you go;
 3 I know you will need my touch as you go;
 4 I have giv - en you a name, it is mine;

C⁷sus⁴C⁷

F

B^b/FCsus⁴

C

I have gift - ed you and ask you now to shine.
 read it writ - ten in my peo - ple, help them grow.
 feel it puls - ing in cre - a - tion's ebb and flow.
 I have giv - en you my Spir - it as a sign.

C⁷

Am

Dm

Gm

I will not a - ban - don you; all my prom - is - es are
 Pour the wa - ter in my name, speak the word your soul can
 Like the wo - man reach - ing out, choos - ing faith in spite of
 With my won - der in your soul, make my wound - ed chil - dren

C

C⁷sus⁴ C⁷

F

B^bC⁷sus⁴ C⁷

F

true. You are gift - ed, called, and chos - en; you are mine.
 claim, of - fer Je - sus' bod - y giv - en long a - go.
 doubt, hold the hem of Je - sus' robe, then let it go.
 whole; go and tell my prec - ious peo - ple they are mine.

A hymn for ordination, commitment, and commissioning.