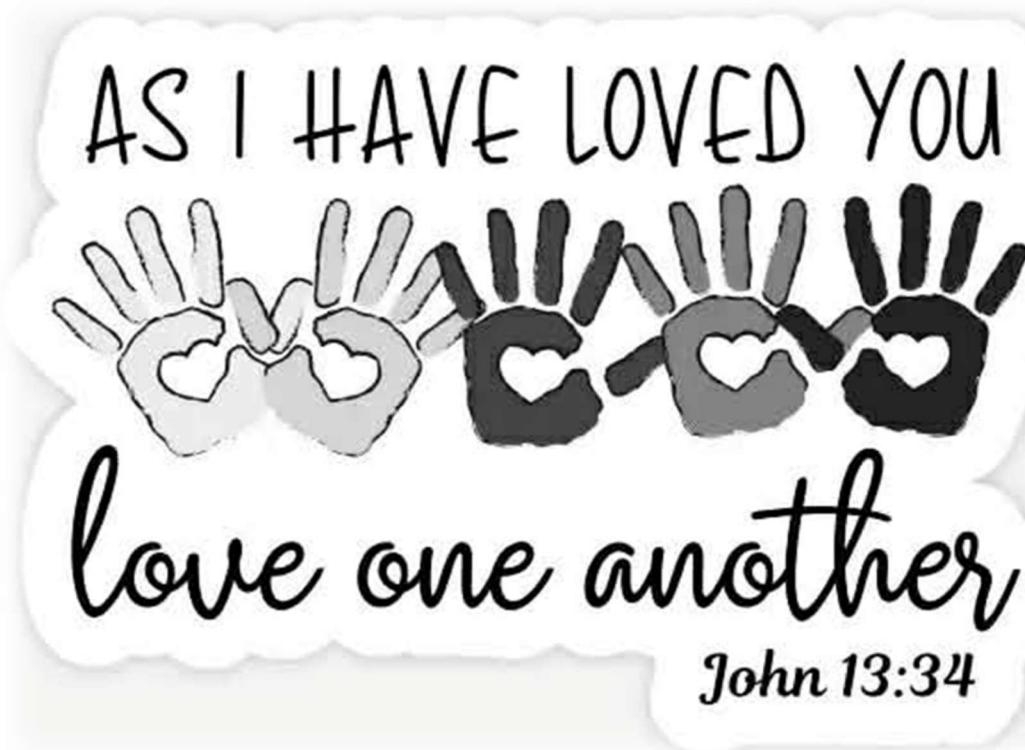


St. Davids-Queenston United Church

February 8, 2026, Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



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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 333 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

(Light the Christ candle) These short days of February we yearn for light. We must wake up before dawn breaks, and night descends upon us early in the evening. **Oh, how we crave light. Into this reality has come Jesus the Christ, the One we call the Light of the World. It is with that assurance that we light the Christ candle.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

What does it mean to be salt and light to the world?

Salt preserves. Light keeps things from being hidden.

What does it mean to be salt and light to the world?

To hold on to what is good. To hold on to what is right. To hold on to what is just. To shine in the back rooms of oppression. To shine in the prisons of fear. To shine in places that have no hope.

This is salt and light to the world.

This is Christ’s people— salt and light— hope and wonder— in and with the world!

As salt and light, as hope and wonder, let us worship God!

Alleluia!!

GATHERING PRAYER

Gathered in worship, loving God, we offer up our prayers. In prayer, we open ourselves to your grace, your call, your judgment, and your vision for us. Wrap us in your care while listening to our words and thoughts; transform our needs into a 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: "The Lone Wild Bird"

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. 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.
2, love like an ocean, 3, joy like a fountain*

SCRIPTURE LESSON: James 1:19-27

John 13:34-35

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

SERMON: "Are We "UnChristian" or Are We Christ-Like?"

* HYMN : # VU 701 "What does the Lord Require of You"

PRAYER FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

HYMN VU `#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!**

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 Creator, we give you ourselves and the gifts of our hands.
Use us to spread your kingdom of love and compassion.
Use us to further your kingdom of justice. Use us to bless and nurture your
creation. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN # VU 581 "When We Are Living"

COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

The listening is over; now is the time for action!

We are done with self-serving. We are done with justification.

We are done with denial. We are done with delaying.

We are done with pride.

And will you journey purposefully, sharing kindness and living humbly with your God? **We will! 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**

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

Thank You to **Sue Foss** for being the greeter, to **Larry McRae** for being the worship leader, to **Lisa Brillon** and **the choir** for their musical contribution, to **Amanda Xu** for leading the Sunday School, to the **UCW Ladies** for preparing coffee and goodies for the coffee hour and to **Allen Zhang/Bill Utting/Steve Hardaker** for livestreaming the Worship Service.



Prayers have been requested for Bill Utting, Dianne Bergsma, George Dunn, Jim Gates, Bob Kerr, Jim Griffiths, Rev. Doug Jones, Matt Jones, Mary Buttle, Ivy Evans, Roy & Jennie Harwood, Michael Antoniuk, Ginny Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan, Anthony Logan Siconolfi and Sue Foss & family.

Continuing prayers have also been requested for Marcia Tyrell, Paula Fisher, and Jennifer Fulton.

Prayerful remembrance for Sandy Sinclair; We are sad to announce the passing of our dear member.

Dates to Note

Feb. 15th - Transfiguration Sunday
Feb. 18th- Ash Wednesday Service at 7 PM
Feb. 22nd - First Sunday of Lent - Communion Sunday
Mar. 29 - Palm Sunday
April 2nd- Maundy Thursday (hand washing) Ceremony
April 3rd - 10:30 AM - Good Friday Service
April 5th - Easter Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sandra Sinclair's celebration of life is today at 1pm, at Morse & Son Funeral Home, 5917 Main St, Niagara Falls.

Tooney Sunday: A collection box for your donation is in the narthex, as well as in front of the kitchen. These donations are only allocated to local charities, benefitting our community. Thank you!

Baptism & Confirmation Class: Not too late! Feb 1(Sun) - Mar 1(Sun), we invite our youth (age 11+) to deepen their walk with Christ through a special 5-week class, beginning **February 1st right after the Sunday worship service.** Please contact Rev. Baek or Sue Foss (Chair of the Education Committee) if you have any questions.

Beef on a Bun will be held Friday, February 13 at 6:00 pm. Please join us for delicious food and a fun time afterwards with cards.

Pancake Luncheon, February 15, after the service: Sponsored by our Sunday School, Safe Haven Group, teachers and parents, funds raised will enrich our general fund. Tickets are \$15.00 each and are available from Sue Foss.

Lent/Easter Food Drive. Project Share extended a thank you to us for 152 pounds of food/supplies raised at Christmas. Please consider contributing to the Easter Drive, as the need is only increasing.

Your Help is Appreciated, by taking home your bulletin. The city has suspended recycling services to businesses, including churches. Thank you for your help with this!

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, joy of heaven to
 2 Come, al - might - ty to de - li - ver, let us all thy
 3 Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 grace re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com -
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways
 ly re - stored in thee, changed from glo - ry in - to

pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it
 bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and
 glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place, till we

us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 praise thee, with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

VU #701, What Does the Lord Require of You

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

VU #400, Lord Listen to Your Children Praying

The musical score consists of four staves of music in 4/4 time, featuring a treble clef and a bass clef, both in B-flat major. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the staves. The score is divided into four sections, each starting with a measure number (1, 3, 5, 7) on the left.

Section 1 (Measures 1-2):

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing.

Section 3 (Measures 3-4):

Lord, send your Spir-it in this place.

Section 5 (Measures 5-6):

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing. Send us

Section 7 (Measures 7-8):

love; send us power; send us grace.

Glory to God 469

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VU #581, When We Are Living

When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus,
and when we're dying, it is in the Lord.
Both in our living and in our dying
we belong to God, we belong to God.

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.
Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving or when receiving,
we belong to God, we belong to God.

Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain
when sensing beauty or in love's embrace,
whether we suffer or sing rejoicing,
we belong to God, we belong to God.

Across this wide world, we shall always find
those who are crying with no peace of mind,
but when we help them, or when we feed them,
we belong to God, we belong to God.