

St. Davids-Queenston United Church

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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 395 “Come in, Come in and Sit Down”

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

The season of Epiphany begins with the magi from a distant land following the light of a star to the child Jesus. They were the first sign that Jesus was a gift for everyone. **May we continue to seek Christ's enlightening spirit in the company of all people.**

We gather in the light of Christ. (Light the Christ candle)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Where shall we go?

We seek the Holy One.

How shall we get there?

We'll journey together.

How will we find the right path?

By asking those who have gone before. By listening to the word of God. By following the star.

And we'll find the Christ child? **And even more.**

But can we do that?

Yes! And we, too, are Wise Ones, living our

lives in God's way, living our lives in love's way.

Living our lives...

and worshipping our God.

Alleluia!

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GATHERING PRAYER

We come into your presence, God most holy, in awe and wonder at your great love for us all, no matter who we are, no matter what we have done. Open our hearts to your holy wisdom. Help us, we pray, to share your love with the world, just as the Wise Ones shared their gifts with the Christ. In his name, and in your love, we pray. 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: "This Is My Father's World" sung by Val Zuk.

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: Matthew 5:37-42, Ephesians 4:25-26

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

SERMON: "I am not Mad at YOU!!"

* HYMN : # VU 598 "When Pain of the World"

NEW MEMBERSHIP CELEBRATION

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

PRESENTATION (Marianne McRae, Congregational Chair)

COMMITMENT OF NEW MEMBERS

One: Will you join with us as together we celebrate God's presence, live with respect in creation, love and serve others, seek justice and resist evil?
New Members: I will, with God's help.

*CONGREGATIONAL COMMITMENT

One: Dear friends in Christ, let us pledge to these persons our support and care.
All: As your brothers and sisters in Christ, we rejoice in the gifts you bring to us. We pledge to you our love and our support. With God's help, we will together live out the mission and ministry of Christ's church.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Today we celebrate our newest members, Pearl and Warren Stainton. Welcome!

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:

There is so much that needs doing, O here is our offering, but we also present our lives so that, in your grace, all of our offerings may meet the needs to which they are directed. Give us wisdom and courage as we seek to offer all that we are in your work. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN # VU 586 "We Shall Go Out With Hope"

COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

Go from here, transformed by the gospel.

We have found what we have been seeking.

Yet, it is not always what we thought it would be.

We have found and we have been found.

Let us seek to understand our faith more deeply so that our discipleship may be transformed by God's grace.

Amen and 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 following the Worship service this morning.

Thank You to **Florence Turner** for being the greeter, to **Valerie Zuk** for being the worship leader, to **Anthony Scaringi** for his piano playing, to **Valerie Zuk** for her vocal contribution, to **Sue Foss** 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 this morning.



Continuing prayers have been requested for Dianne Bergsma, George Dunn, Jim Gates, Bob Kerr, Jim Griffiths, Rev. Doug Jones, Matt Jones, Mary Buttle, Ivy Evans, Roy & Jennie Harwood, Michael Antoniuk, Sandi Sinclair, Ginny Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan, David & Carol Heath & family, Anthony Logan Siconolfi and from Esther Binning for the loss of son-in-law, Randy Robbins.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join their daughter Jennifer McTaggert, to congratulate **Bonnie and Clair Boyda** on their wedding anniversary! They were married right here, 55 years ago.

Continuing Education / Sunday School Teachers meet today after the service in the Sunday School Room.

Church Board meets on Tuesday, January 20 at 7PM in the Sanctuary.

LAST DAY: Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, on January 23rd: Tickets are available for sale in the CE Hall. Thank you for your support!

Spiritual Care Committee meets on Wednesday January 28 at 1PM in the CE Hall. *New members are always welcome!*

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!



“Come In, Come In and Sit Down” (VU #395)

(Chorus) Come in, come in and sit down,
You are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found,
And we are a part of the family.

1. You know the reason why you came,
Yet no reason can explain;
So share in the laughter and cry in the pain,
For we are a part of the family.

2. God is with us in this place,
Like a mother's warm embrace.
We're all forgiven by God's grace,
For we are a part of the family.

3. There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine,
We are the branches, Christ is the vine.
This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine,
But we are a part of the family.

4. There's rest for the weary and health for us all;
There's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's small.
So come in and worship and answer the call,
For we are a part of the family.

“Lord's Prayer” (VU #960)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

“When Pain of the World” (VU #598)

When pain of the world surrounds us with darkness and despair,
when searching just confounds us with false hopes ev’rywhere
when lives are starved for meaning and destiny is bare,
we are called to follow Jesus and let God’s healing flow through us.

We see with fear and trembling our aching world in need,
confessing to each other our wastefulness and greed.
May we with steadfast caring the hungry children feed.
We are called to follow Jesus and let God’s justice flow through us.

The church is a holy vessel the living waters fill
to nourish all the people, God’s purpose to fulfill.
May we with humble courage be open to God’s will.
We are called to follow Jesus and let God’s Spirit flow through us.

We praise you for our journey and your abundant grace,
your saving word that guided a struggling human race.
O God, with all creation, your future we embrace.
We are called to follow Jesus and let God’s changes flow through us.

“We Shall Go Out With Hope of Resurrection” (VU #586)

We shall go out with hope of resurrection;
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly;
tales of a love that will not let us go.
We’ll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted;
we’ll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;
we’ll weave a cloth of all the world united within the vision of new life in Christ.
We’ll give a voice to those who have not spoken;
we’ll find the words for those whose lips are sealed;
we’ll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,
expressive love alive in every heart.
We’ll share our joy with those who still are weeping,
raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,
we’ll leap and dance the resurrection story, including all in circles of our love.