



St. Davids-Queenston United Church

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International Women's Day



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WOMEN'S DAY

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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.

SACRED MUSIC: “Are You Ready to Meet Your Lord?”

LEARN TOGETHER: International Women’s Day

*MV #179 Sisters Let Us Walk Together

SCRIPTURE LESSON: From John 4: 5-42, a dramatic monologue.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON: “Encountering Jesus”

*HYMN VU #222 “Come, Let Us Sing”

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!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY HYMN *(to the tune of Edelweiss)*

God of love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring you.

May our lives do your will, guide and guard us forever.

Give us the courage to stand for truth, help us care for others.

God of love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring you.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of justice, bless these gifts and make holy all that we offer.

May love, hope and peace become a reality

through the sharing of our resources and our commitment.

We offer what we have and who we are through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen

*CLOSING HYMN MV #154 Deep in Our Hearts”

*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

God sends you out into a complicated world.
May you go forth with the blessing of God -
Creator, Saviour and Spirit,
drawing you into confident hope and deep courage
so that you may take up Jesus' ministry of
love and justice in our world. **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

We welcome and thank Rev. Colleen Smith for her worship service
this morning.

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

IN LOVING
Memory

*Today's flowers are provided by
Elma Gardner, in loving memory
of her husband, Gavin.*



Prayers have been requested for Sue Foss, James Griffiths, Elizabeth Whan, Bill Utting, Dianne Bergsma, George Dunn, Jim Gates, Bob Kerr, Ivy Evans, Roy & Jennie Harwood, Ginny Slingerland, John and Eleanor Macdonald's daughter - Kirstie Duarte, and Anthony Logan Siconolfi.

Continuing prayers have been requested for Rev. Doug Jones, Matt Jones, Marcia Tyrell, Paula Fisher and Jennifer Fulton.

"If two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Matthew 18:19-20 NIV

Lent in 2026 February 18 ~ April 4



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. Mar. 29 - Palm Sunday

- April 2nd- 7pm, Maundy Thursday (hand washing) Service
- April 3rd - 10:30am, Good Friday Service
- April 5th - Easter Sunday

Lenten Bible Reading Challenge: Journey to the Cross: To make the 2026 Lenten season more meaningful, our church is launching the "**Lenten Bible Reading Plan: Journey to the Cross.**" We invite you to join this challenge to deeply meditate on the life of Jesus and experience spiritual growth during this sacred season. [Pick up your reading plan in the narthex.](#) We look forward to your active participation!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tooney Sunday is today! All money collected goes to support local mission outreach projects. Please place your donations into either collection box (one in the Narthex or one on the table outside the kitchen).

UCW Meeting scheduled for March 11 is cancelled.

Beef-on-a-Bun, Friday March 13 @ 6PM. Doug McArthur and the Activities Committee welcome all to Beef-on-a-Bun/ Euchre night. Adults are \$13 and children (12 & under) are \$5. Please let Doug know if you can donate a pie.

Michael Antoniuk; A Celebration of Life service will be held March 11(Wed) at 12:00PM @ Grantham Optimist Hall, 188 Linwell Rd., St. Catharines.

Easter Food Drive. For those in need, please consider dropping a donation into the bin at the front door.

Men's Winter Outerwear & Boots: If you can help Newark Neighbours supply our migrant workers, please deliver items to them at 1534 Niagara Stone Road, Virgil. Call 905-468-3519 for hours.

Thank you for your 2025 contributions to sustain our building, purpose, faith and mission. Please pick up your tax slip, on the table in front of the kitchen.

Our Daily Bread; A reminder that these booklets are available for your use. Check them out at the Sanctuary entrance and in front of the kitchen.



VU #402 "We Are One"

1 We are one as we come, as we come, joyful to be here, in the praise on our lips there's a sense that God is near. We are one as we sing, as we seek, we are found; and we come needful of God's grace as we meet, together in this place.

2 We are one as we share, as we share brokenness and fear, in the touch of a hand there's a sense that God is here. We are one as we care, as we heal, we are healed; and we share warmth in God's embrace as we pray together in this place.

4 We are one as we hear, as we hear, heart and hand unite; in the word we receive there's a sense that God is light. We are one as we leave, as we love, we are loved; and we seek justice in God's ways as we move together from this place.

MV #179 “Sisters Let Us Walk Together”

Sisters let us walk together, sharing sadness, loss and grief, we will move through pain to wholeness, brokenness transformed to peace.

Brothers let us work together, seeking justice, healing shame, filled with hope, embued with courage, every violence we will name.

People let us love together, joining spirits, linking hands, we are God's unique creation, clothed with dignity we'll stand.

VU #222 “Come, Let us Sing”

Come, let us sing to the Lord our song,
We have stood silently too long;
Surely the Lord deserves our praise,
So joyfully thank God for our days.

O thirsty soul, come drink at the well;
God's living waters will never fail.
Sure the Lord will help you to stand,
Strengthened and comforted by God's hand.

You dwell among us and cause us to pray,
And walk with each other following your way;

Our precious brothers and sisters will grow
In the fulfilling love they know.

Deserts shall bloom and mountains shall sing
To the desire of all living things.
Come, all you creatures, high and low,
Let your praises endlessly flow.

MV #154 “Deep in Our Hearts”

Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;
Deep in our hearts there is a common song;
Deep in our hearts there is a common story,
Telling Creation that we are one.

Deep in our hearts there is a common purpose;
Deep in our hearts there is a common goal;
Deep in our hearts there is a sacred message,
Justice and peace in harmony.

Deep in our hearts there is a common longing;
Deep in our hearts there is a common theme;
Deep in our hearts there is a common current,
Flowing to freedom like a stream.

Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;
Deep in our hearts there is a common song;
Deep in our hearts there is a common story,
Telling Creation that we are one.