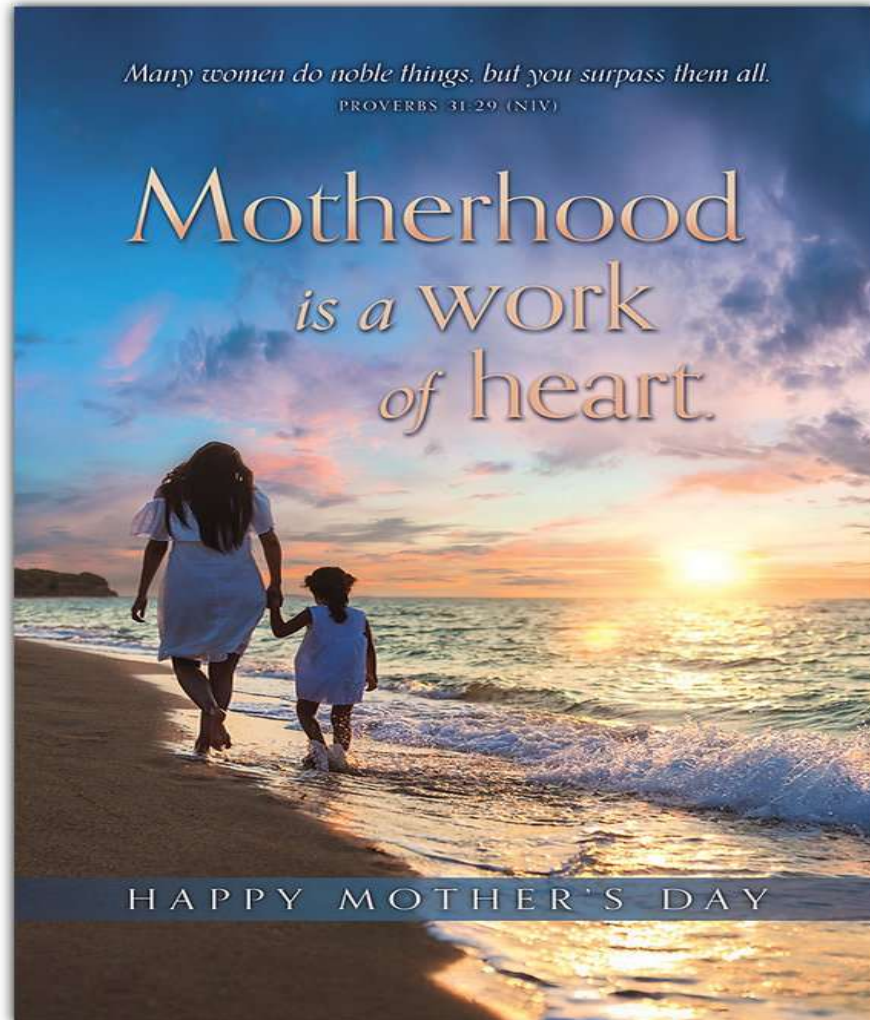


St. Davids-Queenston United Church

May 10, 2026, Sixth Sunday of Easter
Confirmation and Baptism Sunday



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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, as you are able*

GATHERING AND MUSICAL PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: # VU 375 "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

***Refrain:** Spirit, Spirit of gentleness. Blow thro' the wilderness,
calling and free. Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness.
Wind, Wind on the sea.*

*You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep,
And over the eons you called to each thing, wake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings. **R***

*You swept thro' the dessert, you stung with the sand,
And you goaded your people with a law and a land,
And when they were blinded with their idols and lies,
Then You spoke thro' your prophets to open their eyes. **R***

*You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
Then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still,
And down in the city you called once again
When you blew thro' your people on the rush of the wind. **R***

*You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;
Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,
With bold new decisions your people arise. **R***

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

(The candle is lit) Christ, our light, shines in the darkness. **Thanks be to God.**
This morning, we remember our baptism, the day we were claimed as God's
own. We also pray for those being confirmed, as they say "yes" to their baptismal
faith. **Renew in us the gift of your Holy Spirit. Keep us faithful as children of
the light.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Spirit of God, you hovered over the waters of creation. You call us now to this
place, at this time.

We come, some of us seeking, some of us sure, all of us loved.

Today we celebrate the "Yes" of our young people, those being washed in the
waters and those confirming their journey.

Let us worship the One who calls us each by name!

GATHERING PRAYER

Holy One, Creator of all that is and all that will be: We thank you for the gift of this community. Today, our hearts are full as we witness these youth taking a bold step in their faith. Be present in the water, in the words, and in the silence, that we may all feel the touch of your grace. 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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC: Jackson Travers, Jacob Travers, and Emma Zhang

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 1:9-11 & Romans 6:3-5

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

SERMON: "Called, Claimed, and Commissioned"

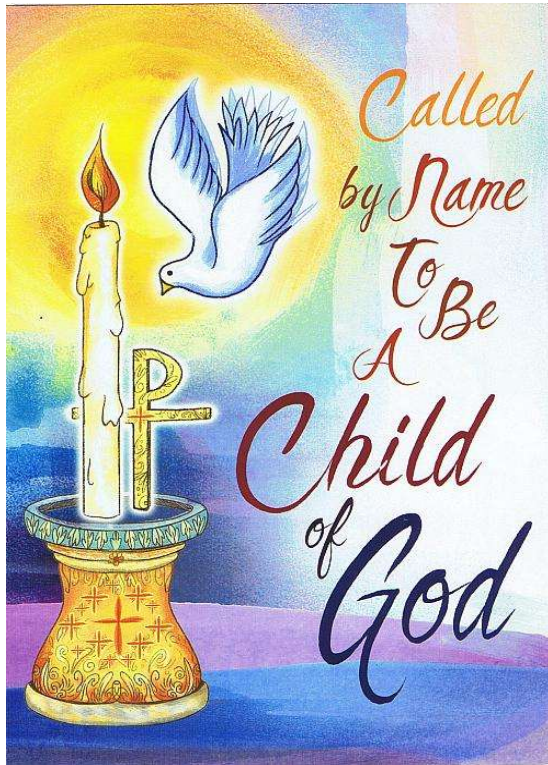
HYMN # MV 161 "I Have Called You by Your Name"

*I have called you by your name, you are mine;
I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.
I will not abandon you; all my promises are true.
You are gifted, called, and chosen; you are mine.*

*I will help you learn my name as you go;
read it written in my people, help them grow.
Pour the water in my name, speak the word your soul can claim,
offer Jesus' body, given long ago.*

*I know you will need my touch as you go;
feel it pulsing in creation's ebb and flow.
Like the woman reaching out, choosing faith in spite of doubt,
hold the hem of Jesus' robe, then let it go.*

*I have given you a name, it is mine;
I have given you my Spirit as a sign.
With my wonder in your soul, make my wounded children whole;
go and tell my precious people they are mine.*



CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

Presentation of Candidates for Baptism

(Chair of the Congregation, Marianne MacRae)

1. Roepke, Brett Carson
2. Roepke, Jared Alexander
3. Zhang, Emma Shuyao
4. Zhao, Amy
5. Zu, Haoxuan (Henry)

Profession of Faith and Promises

Minister: Do you desire to be baptized into the faith and family of Jesus Christ?

Candidates: **I do.**

Minister: Do you promise to follow the way of Jesus; to resist evil, to seek justice, and to live

in the freedom of God's love?

Candidates: **I do, by the grace of God.**

*Congregational Commitment:

Will you, who form this community of faith, support these youth and love them?

We will, God being our helper.

Prayer over the Water

Gracious God, we bless this water. In it, we remember the river Jordan and the tears of the world. **May this water be a sign of your life-giving Spirit.**

Transform it from an ordinary element into a sacred mystery of your love.

Amen.

The Act of Baptism

Minister: (), I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Presentation of Candidates for Confirmation

(Chair of the Congregation, Marianne MacRae)

1. Baek, Soul
2. Baek, Dana
3. Travers, Jackson David
4. Travers, Jacob Peter Charles

The Vows of Confirmation

Minister: You have studied, questioned, and prayed. Do you now choose to make the Christian faith your own?

Youths: **I do.**

Minister: Will you join with us in the ministry of this United Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, and to love and serve others?

Youths: **I will, God being my helper.**

Laying on of Hands and Blessing

Minister: "Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on (). Confirm in her/him the power of your love. May she/he find in this church a home for their questions and a launchpad for her/him dreams. Amen."

*Congregational Commitment

Minister: Members of this household of faith, will you support them?

People: **We will. We will walk with you, learn from you, and grow with you. We will share our bread and our hope, for we are all one in Christ Jesus.**



Blessing Our Young People

(Chair of the Christian Education Committee, Sue Foss)

Embracing New Members (*Presentation of Certificates and Bibles*)

OFFERTORY HYMN:

*We bring to you Lord, our hearts full and ready
Because of Your grace and provision
All of creation, it cries for redemption
The heartbeat of Your love's inclusion
The hands of one join hands with the many
Our time, our talent, our treasure
We pray to you Lord, receive these our gifts
And use them in Your love's good measure.*

OFFERING PRAYER:

God of New Beginnings, you have called these young people to follow you, and you call us to walk alongside them. Take these gifts and transform them into acts of justice and signs of hope. May our money support your mission, and may our lives reflect your light. As these youth have said 'Yes' to you today, may we all say 'Yes' to the ways you are leading us into the future. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN # VU 633 "Bless Now O God the Journey"**

*Bless now, O God, the journey that all your people make,
the path through noise and silence, the way of give and take.
The trail is found in desert and winds the mountain round,
then leads beside still waters, the road where faith is found.*

*Bless sojourners and pilgrims who share this winding way,
whose hope burns through the terrors, whose love sustains the day.
We yearn for holy freedom while often we are bound.
Together we are seeking the road where faith is found.*

*Divine Eternal Lover, you meet us on the road.
We wait for lands of promise where milk and honey flow.
But waiting not for places, you meet us all around.
Our covenant is written on roads, as faith is found.*

COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

Go out into the world now, not as people who have 'arrived' at a destination, but as pilgrims on a holy road.

May the blessing of the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the One who is our Beginning and our End, be with you this day and forevermore.

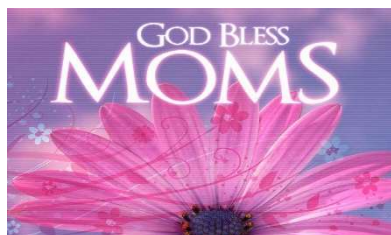
Amen! We go in peace!

*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**



*Today's flowers have been donated by Martha Fleming,
in loving memory of her mother, Sarah Louise Delaney.*



Happy Mothers' Day!



Today is Toonie Sunday. Please place your donation in the Toonie boxes located in the Narthex and in front of the kitchen. **These go 100% to local causes.**

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



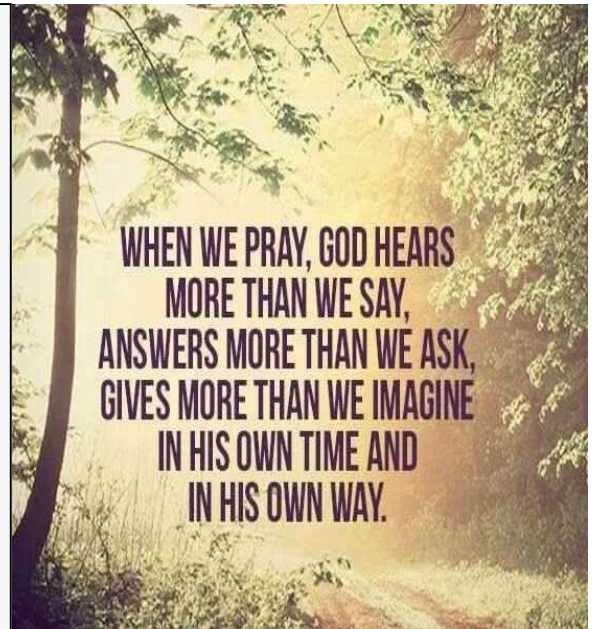
Thank You

to **Florence Turner** for being our greeter, to **Larry McRae** for being our worship leader, to **Jackson Travers, Jacob Travers, and Emma Zhang** for their musical contribution, to **Amanda Xu** for leading our Sunday School, to the **Kitchen Helpers** for preparing coffee and goodies for our fellowship hour and to **Allen Zhang, Bill Utting, Steve Hardaker & Leo Xu** for livestreaming our Service.

Prayers: Barb Allman, Sue Foss, Jill Dill, Bill Utting, Dianne Bergsma, George Dunn, Bob Kerr, Jim Griffiths, Ivy Evans, Roy Harwood, Roy Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan

Continuing prayers: Darren Deesin, Marcia Tyrell, Paula Fisher, Anthony Logan Siconolfi and Jennifer Fulton.

Prayerful remembrance for Jennie Harwood. We are sad to announce the passing of our dear member who will be missed. Our heartfelt condolences to Roy and her loved ones. ❤️



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ginny Slingerland will celebrate 95 years of life on May 14. Her daughter advises that Ginny often speaks fondly of her church family. If you wish to visit or send a card, she is at Ina Grafton Gage Village, room 1111, 413 Linwell Rd., St. Catharines, ON L2N 3V9

Hymn Books are available free, on the table in front of the kitchen.

Asian Heritage Month: The celebration of May as Asian Heritage Month has been officially recognized in Canada since 2002. This is a time to prayerfully reflect on the contributions of Asian Canadians to Canadian society.

UCW Meeting for May 13 is cancelled.

UCW Annual Luncheon, May 14 @ 1:30PM (Note time change): Everyone is welcome to dine with us at “The Shore” (2793 Beacon Blvd., Jordan Station). Let Judy Kerr know by May 11, if you plan to attend. To those who wish to carpool, meet at the church by 12:45PM. (*Individual bills*)