### St. Davids-Queenston United Church

February 25, 2024, 10:30am, Second Sunday in Lent Black History Month: Fishing So Others Can Have a Meal

#### 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.

#### GATHERING AND MUSICAL PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: VU# 82 "A Light Is Gleaming"

#### LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle in the name of the One who guides us into deep waters, who implores us to wade a little farther in, where God is at play, bringing us into good trouble. We seek Christ's presence as we light this candle. (The Christ candle is lit.)

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to worship today determined to follow the Christ who calls us to a new understanding of fishing. We come to worship with open hearts and minds and a soul ablaze for justice and equality. We come to meet God and each other.

Let us worship in love and understanding.

#### **GATHERING PRAYER**

God of love, we come today celebrating Black History Month. As we gather, we ask you to come to us now as your Son came to those first disciples on the lakeshore, calling them into a Beloved Community of love and justice. We pray for your Spirit's presence calling us to the same. Speak your peace and understanding to our hearts. Reveal yourself to us as we seek ways to sincerely worship together. May our celebration bring a new sense of unity, binding us together in your love, Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung) VU #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.

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.

(Sing Once, \*2, Love, \*3, Joy)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 5:1-11

1 Peter 1:3-9

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

SACRED MUSIC: (choir)

**SERMON:** "Fishing So Others Can Have a Meal"

\* HYMN: Kumbaya, My Lord

Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya (X3) Oh Lord, kumbaya Someone's singing Lord, kumbaya (X3) Oh Lord, kumbayah

VOICES FROM BLACK HISTORY MONTH (Marianne McRae)

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: "Hearts Full and Ready"

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

Loving God, we come before you today in humility, acknowledging the gifts you give us. We ask that you now receive our gifts, the fruits of our labours, our hands, and our hearts. May they be used to glorify your name. Amen.

#### \* CLOSING HYMN VU# 586

"We Shall Go Out in Hope of Resurrection"

#### \*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

Go now, to seek a place in a Beloved Community, where all people are known and acknowledged, where partners and allies can be found, where all people work toward love, fairness, and understanding. Go with the hope of Jesus that this community is possible and all it needs is you. Go with celebration in your hearts for Black peoples and all other racialized. Go now in peace. **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

#### ORGAN POSTUDE

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feb 14(Wed) ~ Mar 30(Sat), 2024, Lent in 2024: Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar.

Mar 24(Sun), 2024: Palm Sunday

Mar 25(Mon)-March 30(Sat): Holy Week

-Mar 28(Thur) at 7pm: Maundy Thursday (Hand Washing Service)

-Mar 29(Fri) at 10:30am: Good Friday Service

Mar 31 at 10:30am: Easter Sunday, Communion Sunday

Feb 28(Wed), 2024: at 7pm: "United in Truth", Bible Study Group

Mar 8 (Wed), 2024: at 6pm: "Beef on a Bun", 'Safe Haven' the Youth Group will join.

Please join us for coffee, cake & fellowship in the CE hall following the Worship service as we celebrate all those who have a birthday in February.

Thank you to Marilyn Beatty for being the greeter, to Marianne McRae for being the Lay Reader, to the choir for their musical contribution and to Bill Utting/Steve Hardaker for livestreaming the Worship service this morning.

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held next Sunday, March 3rd. A Potluck luncheon in the CE hall will follow the meeting.

The Annual Reports are available in the narrhex and on the table outside the kitchen. Please take a copy of the report home, read through it and bring it back with you for the meeting next Sunday, March 3rd. You will have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the report.

Next Sunday, March 3rd is Tooney Sunday. There will be a collection box in the narthex and on the table outside the kitchen. All money collected will go to support local mission outreach projects.

Continuing prayers have been requested for Owen Calhoun, Bob Kerr, Isobel Griffiths, Eleanor MacDonald, Roy & Jennie Harwood, Michael Antoniuk, Sandi Sinclair, Neil Foss, Ginny Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan, Margaret Ballantyne and Anthony Logan Siconolfi.

Continuing prayers have also been requested for Marion Smith, Michael Fisher & Paula Shant, Rebecca Gandey & Danny Hatfield, Johanna O'Brien & husband Steve Corfe, Susan & Jim O'Brien, parents of Johanna O'Brien, Dawn & Ron Walsh and families, Sandra & John Dunn, Parents of Patti Pozzobon, Laurie Reed, wife Judith and their family, Wendy & Peter Dean, Jennifer & Stewart Fulton, Marion & John Smith, Barbara Redner, Kelly & Rob Dolihan and Lawrence Dempsey.

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## A Light Is Gleaming







### 577

### I've Got Peace like a River

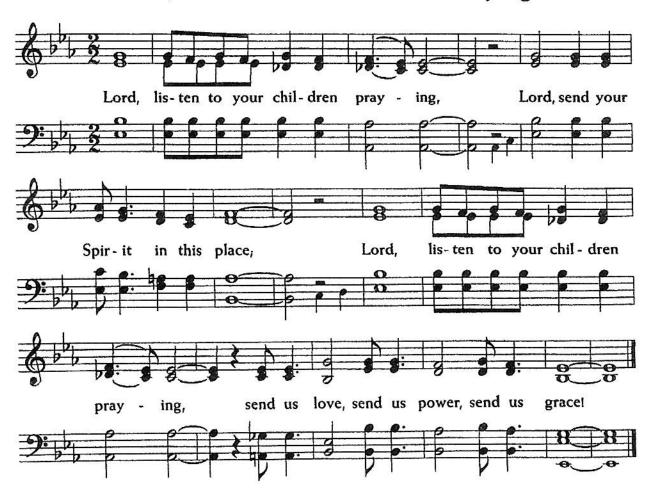


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# Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying





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CHILDREN PRAYING

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# 586 We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection



Words: June Boyce-Tillman 1993

Music: Traditional Irish melody, arr. John Barnard 1982

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