

**Melville United Church  
First Nations Sunday**

\* *Congregation please stand as you are able.*

**Bold print invites congregational response.**



**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude:** Breathe on me, Breath of God (Robert Jackson,  
arr. Tim Price)

**Sharing the Light**

**Gathering Prayer:** (Jen)

One: Let us give thanks to our Creator, for the Creator is always with us.

**All: God is with us in the call of a loon and in the flight of an eagle.**

One: Our Creator is with us in the changing of the seasons.

**All: God is with us when we gather together and when we are alone.**

One: Our Creator is with us in our giftedness and in our search for new understandings of ourselves, new visions of our communities.

*From "The Dancing Sun, Volume VIII"*

**\*Opening Hymn** Draw the Circle Wide MV 145

**Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address**

**Greetings to the Natural World** (Robert)  
**"Words before all else"** (see purple insert)

**Hymn:** The Care the Eagle Gives Her Young VU 269

**Theme Conversation:** (Jen)

**Ministry of Music:** "We are One" (Rodger, Barry and Friends)

**Scripture Reading**

Micah 6: 6-8 What the Lord Requires of Us (*Good News Bible*)

Matthew 5: 21-26 Teaching about Anger

Reader: Alison Rainford

**Reflection:** "Now our minds are one" Robert Foster

**Hymn:** Put Peace into Each Other's Hands MV 173

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Invitation to Offering:

Offering:

Offering Anthem An Irish Blessing - Ian W. Bevell (Choir)

\*Offertory Hymn: What Can I Do? MV 191

**What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share. (Repeat)**

\*Offertory Prayer:

**Joys and Concerns**

**Prayer for the healing of the Nations**

*(inspired by Stan McKay, former moderator)*

\*Hymn: For the Healing of the Nations VU 678

**Closing Prayer: Thanks for Differences**

One: Creator, We give thanks that you speak to us  
in our own ways, in our own Traditions.  
Thank you that you also speak  
through the traditions of others.

**All: Help us to see your love in all things  
and to be guided with loving hearts  
to do that which is best in our homes  
and in our communities.**

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**\*Choral Response:** Go Now 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 God 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 within, around, above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen**

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Postlude: Hymn of Praise (James Denton)

**Partners in Prayer:** Bethel Baptist Church, Fergus  
**Prayer Cycle for Hamilton Conference:** St. James-Rosemount, Kitchener  
**Prayer Tree Captain:** Alison Rainford

**Welcomers:** Lynn and David Lamb,  
Barb Lynden, Eleanor Brown

**Counters:** Les Frayne, David Gohn



**This Haudenosaunee ("people of the longhouse") symbol** comes from the Six Nations, near Brantford, Ont. It was created centuries ago to symbolize the union forged when the former enemies buried their weapons under the Great Tree of Peace. The five connected shapes represent the original five nations of the Iroquois confederacy. The tree in the center is an eastern white pine, (its needles are clustered in groups of five) representing peace, strength and life.