



“The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength
of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”

Psalms 27:1

Epiphany 3

GATHERING

**Those who are able, please stand*

PRELUDE

*ENTRY OF THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 27:1) Elder, Ken Hopkins

The Lord is my light and my salvation

Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

Of whom shall I be afraid?

Come, let us worship God together.

*PRAISE The Lord's My Light Hymn # 15

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,**

by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

Enfold us in your mercy and forgive us,

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways

to the glory of your name.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA Hymn # #298

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son,

Glory be to God the Spirit, God almighty, Three-in-One!

Glory, glory, glory, glory, while eternal ages run.

*THE PEACE

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

With one another: The Peace of Christ.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

*PRAISE To Abraham and Sarah Hymn #478

THE WORD in conversation (Children's Time)

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 (p.173 NT)

PSALM Psalm 27 1,4-9 Refrain 1 Ken Hopkins

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12 (p.4 NT)

ANTHEM: Cause Me to Hear Thy Loving Kindness R .Haan

SERMON: "Dangerous Blessing: called to foolishness" Rev. Cathy Stewart

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*PRAISE We are God's People Hymn #472

ORDINATION OF DEACONS: Charlotte Kisaka, Dudnie Lynch,
Lynda Milmine

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (in unison-please stand)

Dee, Lynda and Charlotte, we are delighted that you have accepted this calling of deacon among us. We promise to accept the care you offer, to work alongside you as servants of Christ in this congregation, and to hold you in our prayers. May God's Holy Spirit strengthen you and work through you. Peace be with you.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

LIFE & WORK OF THE CONGREGATION Ken Hopkins

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

THIS WEEK AT MACNAB:

Mon	Jan 27	4:00 pm	Out of the Cold – Johnston Hall
		7-8:30pm	Over-comers-Church House
		8:00pm	RSCD-Johnston Hall
Tues	Jan 28	4:00pm	Out of the Cold – Johnston Hall
Wed	Jan 29	7:00pm	RSCD-Johnston Hall
Thurs	Jan 30	10:00am	World Day of Prayer planning-Parlour
		1:30pm	RSCD-Johnston Hall (prev. Tues pm)
		7:30pm	Choir Practice – Chancel
Sat	Feb 1	4:00PM	Out of the Cold Program
		8:00pm	RSCD Dance-Johnston Hall
Sun	Feb 2	10:30am	Worship Service with Rev. Theresa McDonald-Lee, Camp Kintail Director

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun	Feb 23	3:00pm	Black History Gospel Concert MacNab Sanctuary - Tickets \$20 See Kathleen Brooks/Alex Teeuwsen for tickets
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COMMUNITY NOTES:

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE HAMILTON AREA SCIENCE AND RELIGION

FORUM will feature Dr. Charles Chaffey from the U of T and Tyndale U. The talk is entitled "Brother Marie-Victorin: Pioneer of French Canadian Science", on Friday January 31, 4.15 pm, University Club, McMaster University.

Parking rates are reduced after 4.00 pm. Contact Bob Geddes at bobbgeddes@shaw.ca, or see accompanying poster.

THE EWART CENTRE FOR LAY Education offers on line courses geared for lay people who wish to deepen their understanding of the Christian Faith. This winter two courses are offered - "Can Christian Education revitalize and empower your congregation?" and "The Gospel of Matthew. To read a course description and register go to www.knox.utoronto.ca or call [519-235-2608](tel:519-235-2608) or email henderson.johncharles@gmail.com

"PRAISING THE LORD" Manna Day will take place on Thursday February 27th at Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre near Guelph. Join us as our speaker Rev. Hugh Donnelly explores why congregational singing is important and introduces songs of faith from the global community. Please call ahead to register at 1-800-884-1525. Cost is \$20.00 and includes lunch.

MacNab Prayer

Loving God, by your Spirit
the congregation of MacNab was
formed, 160 years ago.

This congregation has loved and
served the city of Hamilton and the
world in many ways over the years.

Now we are in a new place
and we need the help of your Spirit
to see what you are calling us to do
and be.

Open our eyes and our hearts, we
pray, so we can, Like Abraham and
Sarah, find life in this new land.
Help us both "hold on to what is
good" and let go of what we no

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Christ, in your mercy, hear our
prayer.

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PSALM 27: 1,4-9

Refrain 1 The Lord's my light and saving health; I shall not be afraid.

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I asked of the Lord,

that will I seek after:

to live in the house of the Lord

all the days of my life,

to behold the beauty of the Lord,

and to inquire in the Lord's temple.

For you, Lord, will hide me in your shelter

In the day of trouble;

you will conceal me under the cover of your tent;

you will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up

above my enemies all around me,

and I will offer sacrifices in the Lord's tent

with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

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Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud,

Be gracious to me and answer me!

"Come," my heart says, "seek the Lord's face!"

Your face, Lord, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger,

you, who have been my help.

Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,

O God of my salvation!

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