## September 19, 2021 "Politics and Prayer" 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Eric Liddell and Isaiah 40:12-17

Our Federal Election – how should we respond?

Timothy – a young pastor in Ephesus

Top of the Prayer List – pray for those in politics

(1 Timothy 2:2)

- The Roman Emperor Nero
  - ♦ Matthew 5:44
- The example of Tertullian church leader in the 3rd century
  - ♦ Jeremiah 29:7; Ezra 6:10

Top of the Prayer List – why pray for those in politics

- "Godliness and holiness" (1 Timothy 2:2)
  - ♦ Signs of a healthy society
  - ♦ 1867 British North America Act
- God wants all people to be saved including political leaders (1 Timothy 2:4)
  - ♦ Paul in Acts 26:29
  - Prayer for salvation is vital for democracy to flourish
  - ⇒ Democracy requires of its citizens what it cannot provide

## So what?

- Vote respectfully
- Write your MP and Prime Minister
- Be compassionate
- Be confident
- Be thankful for Canada

## What won't change

- The task of the church
- The power of God
- The hope of the Gospel

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