

Upcoming Meetings & Events

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Church Office Hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am to 1:00 p.m. **(Closed on Wednesday)**

Session: Chair: Paul Scott, Vice Chair: Vacant,
Clerk: Joan Shaw

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Official Board: Chair, Brian Brooks
Vice Chair, Bruce Wilson, Secretary: Diane Nuttall

Guest Speakers:

November 1st – Rev. Kathy Walton

Don't forget to set your clocks back Nov. 1st

November 8th – Rev. Kathy Walton

Service of Remembrance & Gratitude

November 15th – Join us in Welcoming

Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian – Petro, our new Minister.

*Please call the church office to reserve
your spot for the 15th.*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Grace Church needs various volunteers for Sunday Services.

Readers - Ushers/Greeters – Elevator/Opening &

Closing. Contact the Church office if you can help out.

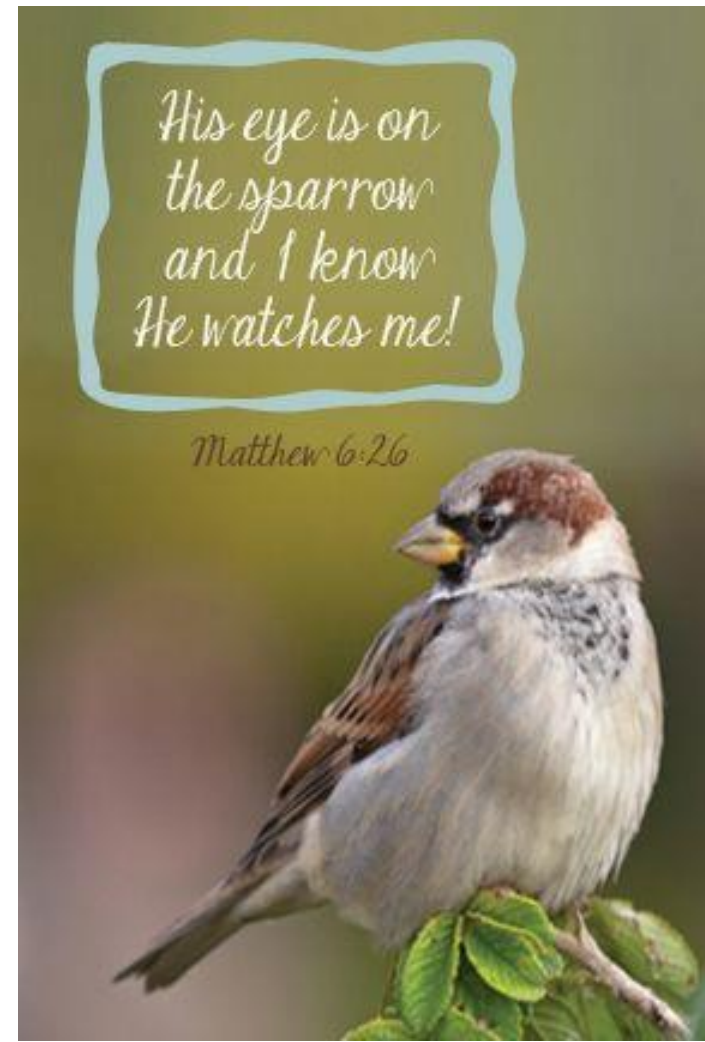
IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING REMEMBRANCE DAY

In keeping with the restrictions imposed by the Ontario government, area health authorities, and Dominion Command of the Royal Canadian Legion the ceremonies in Gananoque and in Lansdowne will **NOT** be a public event. The ceremonies will be live streamed to be viewed from retirement homes and the homes of individuals. More about this will be available in area media closer to the event.

The above limitations on attendance apply to all Remembrance Day ceremonies in Ontario.

Grace United Church

120 Pine Street. Gananoque, On K7G 1C7



OUR GRACE CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

“As a community of faith, we seek to be rooted in the garden of God’s love, nurtured by Christian worship, study and fellowship, and blossoming into service by the transforming power of God’s Spirit.”

Grace United Church



Pastoral Charge Supervisor Ted Brett

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Rev. J. Harry Seeley. BA.

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Grace United Church

November 1 2020

Guest Speaker: Rev. Kathy Walton

Welcome & Announcements

Quiet Time with Music

Presentation of the Bible & Lighting of the Candles & Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Leader: Saints Night, Hallowed Evening, Hallowe'en is a great celebration in the lives of families and children

All: It's a time of candies and treats, ghost stories and tricks in the night.

Leader: It's also time of darkness, perhaps a bit fearsome, and a time of memories, fond and sad.

All: Some of us are remembering loved ones now gone from us who shared in celebrations past.

Leader: In faith we believe they are not gone far from us, and we celebrate their lives and their faith which often informed our own.

All: Come let us praise God together, remembering the lives of those who have gone into God's glory before us and seeking to be as faithful in our way as they were in theirs.

Prayer of Approach (together)

With thoughtful hearts we come into your presence Holy One. Nothing in our lives is quite normal right now. Our activities are curtailed and our celebrations muted. But we still rejoice within our hearts. We still come before you with thanksgiving. We still open the ears of our hearts to hear your word and we seek to do your will. Be with us we pray, to strengthen every impulse towards you, and drive out the darkness of our despair and fear. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Hymn VU #223

"Eternal, Unchanging, We Sing"

Eternal, Unchanging, we sing to your praise: your mercies are endless, and righteous your ways; your servants proclaim the renown of your name who rules over all and is ever the same.

Again we rejoice in the world you have made, your mighty creation in beauty arrayed, we thank you for life, and we praise you for joy, for love and for hope that no power can destroy.

We praise you for Jesus, our Master and Lord, the might of his Spirit, the truth of his word, his comfort in sorrow, his patience in pain, the faith sure and steadfast that Jesus shall reign.

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Time with children (of all ages):

"Things that go bump in the night"

Hymn – VU #410 – "THIS DAY GOD GIVES ME"

This day God gives me
strength of high heaven,
sun and moon shining,
flame in my hearth,
flashing of lightning,
wind in its swiftness,
deeps of the ocean,
firmness of earth.

This day God sends me
strength to sustain me,
might to uphold me,
wisdom as guide.
Your eyes are watchful,
your ears are listening,
your lips are speaking,
friend at my side.

God's way is my way,
God's shield is round me,
God's host defends me,
saving from ill.
Angels of heaven,
drive from me always
all that would harm me,
stand by me still.

Rising, I thank you,
mighty and strong One,
King of creation,
giver of rest,
firmly confessing

threeness of Persons,
oneness of Godhead,
Trinity blest.

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Prayer (together)

Thank you God for giving us this day to be together. Thank you for the children in our lives and for their joy and celebration of costume and candy and nighttime excitement. Help us to remain children in our hearts so that we too may see beyond our earthly cares to the glorious mystery of your love for us. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scriptures:

Revelation 7:9-17 (NT pg 340)

Reader: Bruce Wilson

Psalms 34:1–10, 22 VU 761 (Responsive)

I will bless God at all times,
God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

**My soul will glory in God,
The humble will hear and be glad.**

O magnify God with me,
Let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought God, who answered me,
And freed me from all my fears.**

Look to the Most High, and let your light shine,
And your faces will not be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried out and God heard,
And saved me from all my troubles.**

Your angel, O God, keeps guard over those
who fear you and delivers them.

**Taste and see that our God is good.
Happy are those who take refuge in God.**

Fear God, you who are the saints,
For those who fear God lack nothing.

**Strong lions suffer want and go hungry,
But those who seek God lack no good thing.**

But you, God, redeem the life of your servants;
**None who take refuge in you are
condemned.**

Matthew 5:1-12 (NT pg 5)

Ministry of Music: Piano Solo: I've Got Peace Like a
River - African-American spiritual

Sermon: *The Evolution of Saintliness*

Hymn – VU #706 – “Give Thanks for Life”

Give thanks for life, the measure of our days;
mortal, we pass through beauty that decays,
yet sing to God our hope, our love, our praise:
Allelujah, allelujah!

Give thanks for those who made their life a light
caught from the Christ-flame, bursting through the
night,
who touched the truth, who burned for what is right:
Allelujah, allelujah!

And for our own, our living and our dead,
thanks for the love by which our life is fed,
a love not changed by time or death or dread:
Allelujah, allelujah!

Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain
lying in the darkness does its life retain
in resurrection to grow green again:
Allelujah, allelujah!

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Minute for Mission: Dave Charles

Offering Prayer

Loving God, we bring to you the ordinary things of our
lives. In giving them, we give ourselves also. We ask
that you bless the gifts, and bless the givers as well as
all those who receive of our bounty for it all comes from
your great love for all who live on this blue world. In the
name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Tammy Fergusson

Hymn – VU #657 – “He Leadeth Me”

He leadeth me, O blessed thought!
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

*He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful foll'wer I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me.*

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters still, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

Lord, I would place my hand in Thine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

Refrain

And when my task on earth is done,
When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me.

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Bradbury

Commissioning and Blessing

Rev. Kathy Walton & Tammy Fergusson

Threefold Amen

The sympathies of the Grace Church family are extended to Jack & Gloria Petch and family on the recent passing of Jack's sister, Carol Thorburn. Carol passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 22 in Windsor Ontario. A celebration of life will be held in Gananoque at a later date for both Carol & Bill. We pray that Jack, Gloria and family find peace in knowing that Carol is now resting with our Lord. Our prayers and Blessings are with you.

Gananoque Food Bank

has moved to a new location

497 King St. E

Gananoque, ON K7G 1G9

(Beside Bravo Restaurant)

Open Wed. & Fri from 12:30 to 2:45

At this time the Food bank would appreciate any donations, however, monetary donations are best as these allow for bulk buying.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Installation Service for
Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro
November 15th 2020 at 10:30 am

Due to COVID regulations seating in the Sanctuary is limited and is filling up fast. There will be extra seats in the lower hall where the service will be shown on a Television.

The service will also be shown live on Facebook and later on our YouTube Channel.

PLEASE – notify the church office to reserve your spot if you wish to attend. 613-382-2161