Grace United Church 120 Pine St. Gananoque, ON K7G 1C7



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> May 2, 2021 Order of Worship Fifth Sunday of Easter Mental Health Sunday



## WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF GRACE

Prelude: Just as I Am – Bradbury/Johnson

Welcome – Announcements – Elaine Davidson Birthdays & Anniversaries

**Centering Music:** We Center our Hearts for Worship.

## Acknowledging the Traditional Territory:

We acknowledge all traditional territories, all ceded and unceded lands that we live upon - and give thanks for all the generations of people who have taken care of these lands before us and still do with us today. May we be open to historical Truths and may we continue to learn from the past, shape our present time and build a better world with all People.

> Spiritual Focus: "Abide in ME, as I abide in YOU!" Jesus (John 15: 4a)

## **Call to Worship:**

In the wilderness, water brings life.

- In the deserts of life, the fount of every blessing quenches our thirsts.
- Let us come together in Spirit and Truth and praise the True Vine, who pours out goodness and grace, through and through.

### Song of Praise: Voices United #559

"Come, O Fount of Every Blessing"

## Prayer of the Day (All):

Wondrous Vinegrower,

you make all things new in water and Word, feeding your people with Peace, and Love. Lead us today and every day

to the font of new beginnings.

Teach us to love what you have commanded and prune what does not nourish.

We pray in the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, Triune God, now and forever. Amen.

### WE SEEK WISDOM

Song of Illumination: Voices United #371 "Open My Eyes"

Scripture Reader: Joan Shaw Gospel of John 15:1-8 (NRSV)

Life Lesson "Abiding in Each Other: Pure Promise, Presence and Providence"

**Special Music:** "Song of Psalm 23 and Lamentations" Rev. Wanda Stride

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

### **Your Generosity Matters:**

"Women Work for Change in Zambia" - Dave Charles

## **Our Offerings – Supporting God's Ministries:**

Let us partner up with God and give to the Mission of God with Joy and Gratitude.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All): Holy Provider,

through our offerings, may your loving Spirit be evident to a world in need of comfort. Make our many gifts one offering for Your Eternal Purposes. Amen.

## GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD WITH HOPE

## Song of Hope & Healing:

## Voices United #436 "Abide with Me"

Our thanks to the musicians of Pacific Spirit United Church for permission to use their version of this hymn

## **Prayers of Hope and Healing**

The Prayer of Jesus – Sung Voices United # 960

(Our thanks to Golden Ears United Church for permission to use this video)

## Song of Going Forth: Voices United #639

"One More Step Along the World" (Our thanks to Golden Ears United Church for permission to use this video)

## Sending Forth & Benediction

## **Choral Amen and Postlude:**

Prelude in G minor – J.S. Bach



# Welcome

as we gather for worship this Sunday morning. If you are a visitor or newcomer to this Community of Faith, we extend a warm greeting. Thank you for joining us virtually.

# **Celebration Candle**



Today we send Blessings of Joy to all who are celebrating Birthdays, Anniversaries and Special Events in the coming week.

Happy Birthday David, Betty, John, Mackensie and Maryfil.

Happy 33<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary to Steve & Connie May Joy abound and Love Multiply.

Would you like your Birthday or Anniversary added to our announcements? Please contact Laurie at the church Office and give her the details. Birthdays or Anniversaries can only

### be added with your written consent.

## Prayers for the people



Remember in your prayers all those who are in hospital, recovering at home and those who may need our comfort, guidance and support.

**\*\*Please notify the church office if there is someone you** *know who is ill, in hospital or in need of pastoral care. \*\** 

## Thank you for your continued support.

Donations to the Grace United can be made by etransfer to grace.gan@outlook.com – by cheque – mailed to the church at 120 Pine ST. Gananoque, On K7G 1C7 – Sign-up for PAR (Preauthorized Auto monthly Remittances) https://united-church.ca/sites/default/files/form\_parauthorization.pdf (link to form) and by Credit Card through CanadaHelps. https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/118944701 RR0001-grace-united-church/ Call the church office if you have any guestions.

### Volunteers Needed:

The Tech Team at Grace United Church is looking for interested volunteers to operate camera(s) and audio for streaming and software for graphic and video presentations. Sound daunting? Contact Paul Harding if you can help.

### **Mental Health & Addiction Services**

Lanark, Leeds & Grenville Addiction & Mental Health Services - 24/7 Crisis Line: 1-866-281-2911

### https://llgamh.ca/

### **BROCKVILLE (MAIN OFFICE)**

25 Front Ave. W. Brockville, Ontario K6V 4J2 Phone: (613) 342-2262 / Toll-Free: 1-866-499-8445

### Children's Mental Health of Leeds & Grenville https://www.cmhlg.ca/

Children's Mental Health of Leeds and Grenville is dedicated in providing timely service across all of Leeds and Grenville. We have five community offices, Brockville, Elgin, Gananoque, Kemptville and Prescott. Serving Leeds & Grenville Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Call us, toll free at 1.800.809.2494 or email us at reachus@cmhlg.ca

Alcoholics Anonymous – District 66 Toll Free 1-855-267-2696 – info@lanarkleedsaa.org



### Upcoming Meetings & Events Contact information:

Office (Laurie) 613-382-2161 grace.gan@outlook.com <u>Church Office Hours are:</u> Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am to 1:00 p.m. (Closed on Wednesdays)

Rev. Takouhi (direct Line) 613-777-0880 Email: RevTakouhi@Terrautopia.ca

<u>Session</u>: Chair: Paul Scott, Vice Chair: Rhea Roantree Clerk: Joan Shaw <u>Board of Stewards</u>: Chair: Carolyn Scott, Vice Chair: Denise Wood, Secretary: Mary Haussler <u>Official Board</u>: Chair, Brian Brooks Vice Chair: Bruce Wilson, Secretary: Diane Nuttall

### Worship Schedule

Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> – 6th Sunday of Easter Mother's Day/Christian Family Day Worship Leader: Donna Norman Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Day of Pentecost Worship Leader: Tammy Fergusson Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – Trinity/Communion Sunday

#### Board Meetings. (via ZOOM) Board of Stewards – May

Session: - May

### **Important Information**

Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am In person services have been cancelled until further notice. Join us on Facebook and YouTube. https://www.facebook.com/GraceUnitedChurchGana noque

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNVYi-R3mmIG7LnX1jKJnEg

The service from the previous week will be shown on COGECO channel 13 or 700HD (Gananoque, Kingston & Napanee) at 10:30 am Sunday mornings.