



Grace United Church

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April 3, 2022

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Order of Worship

In Canada the Month of April is:

Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month

Lent



WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF GRACE

Prelude: *Largo (from "Xerxes")* – G.F. Handel

Welcome – Pamela Shea

Community in Action – Birthdays & Anniversaries

Centering Music: *We Centre Our Hearts on God's Wisdom*

Spiritual Focus:

"Lent: Discernment in the Deserts of Life"

Call to Worship:

Dearly Beloved,

Let us gather in the name of the Source of All Life, Light and Love.

Remembering that God brings life out of death, light out of darkness and beauty out of ashes of life. Come, let us celebrate God's Love, Mercy, and Grace with an open heart and mind.

Song of Praise: Voices United #580

"Faith of Our Fathers"

1. Faith of our fathers, living still
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
whene'er we hear that glorious word:
faith of our fathers, holy faith,
we will be true to you till death.
2. Faith of our mothers, daring faith,
your work for Christ is love revealed,
spreading God's word from pole to pole,
making love known and freedom real:
faith of our mothers, holy faith,
we will be true to you till death.
3. Faith of our sisters, brothers too,
who still must bear oppression's might,
raising on high, in prisons dark,
the cross of Christ still burning bright:
faith for today, O living faith,
we will be true to you till death.
4. Faith born of God, O call us yet;
bind us with all who follow you,
sharing the struggle of your cross
until the world is made anew.
Faith born of God, O living faith,
we will be true to you till death.

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Prayer of Approach (All):

Gracious God, seeker of the lost; Lover our souls.

This morning we approach you as you draw us with your loving embrace.

Restore us to our inheritance as daughters and sons, and reconcile our hearts to you, that we may become ambassadors of your reconciling love to all the world. Living in and through your Love. Amen.

WE SEEK WISDOM

Song of Illumination: Voices United # 377

"Holy Spirit, Hear Us"

1. Holy spirit, hear us, help us while we sing; breathe into the music of the praise we bring.
2. Holy Spirit, shine now on the book we read; light its holy pages with the truth we need.
3. Holy Spirit, prompt us when we bow to pray; speak within and teach us what we ought to say.
4. Holy Spirit, help us daily by your might, what is wrong to conquer, and to choose the right.



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Scripture Reader: Raymond Shea

Gospel: John 12:1-8 (NRSV)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.)

Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Anthem: *Lamb of God - Beethoven / Angerman*
Grace United Church Choir

Life Lesson: *"The Fragrance of Love..."*

WE SEEK PEACE & COMMUNION

Song of Hope & Healing: Voices United #400

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Lord, listen to your children praying,
 Lord send your Spirit in this place;
 Lord, listen to your children praying,
 send us love, send us power, send us grace! Repeat

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Prayers of the People

The Prayer of Jesus – Sung in Armenian – Rev. Takouhi

Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth, as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who
 trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil:
 For thine is the kingdom,
 the power, and the glory
 forever and ever. **Amen.**



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Introduction to Dorothy's song – Rev. Takouhi

Your Generosity Matters: Dorothy's Song "When Will I See You Again"

Words: Dorothy Goubault

Music: Kelli Trottier

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(The CD is \$20.00 ea. – NET Proceeds will go to the Heart Institute in Ottawa).

The words of Dorothy's song are found on the insert in the bulletin.

Our Offerings Make Miracles Evident

We Give Generously with Joy and Gratitude to Help Make Miracles Visible.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All):

O God, all that we have comes from you.

Receive this offering and with it the offering of our lives, for we return to you only what you have so graciously given. Use us for the glory of your kingdom. Today and always. Amen.

**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD
TO BE THE CHURCH**

Going Forth: More Voices #138

"My Love Colours Outside the Lines"

1. My love colours outside the line, exploring paths that few could ever find; and takes me into places where I've never been before, and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.
2. My Lord colours outside the lines, turns wounds to blessings, water into wine; and takes me into places where I've never been before, and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

Refrain: We'll never walk on water if we're not prepared to drown, body and soul need a soaking from time to time. And we'll never move the gravestones if we're not prepared to die, and realize there are worlds outside the lines.

3. My soul longs to colour outside the lines, tear back the curtains, sun, come in and shine; I want to walk beyond the bound'ries where I've never been before, throw open doors to worlds outside the lines.

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Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Trumpet Voluntary - John Stanley*



April 24, 2015, marked the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. The Canadian Parliament passed Motion **M-587** and declared the **month of April as Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month** and declared April 24 as Armenian Genocide Memorial Day.



Celebration Candle



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

May Joy abound and Love Multiply.

Happy Birthday to Graham Anglin and Lucille Jeroy.

Happy Wedding 51st Anniversary to Jim & Diane Wallbridge and Happy 53rd to Paul & Carolyn Scott.

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. ****

Our sincere sympathies are extended to Pamela and Raymond Shea and family on the passing of Joan Rombough (McCrary). Joan was the sister of Marilyn Humphrey and Earl McCrary, she passed away peacefully on March 19, 2022 in Kingston. May you find peace and comfort from your memoirs and friends. Blessings.

Offerings - March 27, 2022 - Attendance: 36

	Sunday
General	\$ 1332.00
Mission & Service	\$ 257.00
Local Missions	\$ 10.00

Thank you for your offerings

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This Community of Faith acknowledges 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.



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The 2022 Directory will be available soon

Sunday, April 3rd – 10:30am Service – 5th Sunday of Lent

Sunday, April 10th – 10:30am Service – Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 14th – 7:00pm Service – Maundy/Holy Thursday

Friday, April 15th – Walk of the Cross – beginning at Christ Church

Sunday, April 17th – Easter Sunday/Communion

10:30 am Service

Sunday, April 24th – 10:30 am Service - 2nd Sunday after Easter

Important Information

We are back in the Sanctuary!!

We ask that everyone wear a mask unless seated and to wear one while singing. The policy will be reviewed again in a few weeks.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Service will also be shown live on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNVYi-R3mmlG7LnX1jKJnEg>

<https://www.facebook.com/GraceUnitedChurchGananoque>

The service from the previous week will be shown on COGECO channel 13 or 700HD at 10:30 am Sunday mornings.

Today, we are excited to hear a beautiful song by Dorothy M. Goubault (Lyrics) and Kelli Trottier (Music).

“When Will I See You Again” is written in memory of Dorothy’s lifetime partner, Gerald McBride who died at the age of 65, on Feb. 13, 2020,

and is the title song from her recently released CD. Besides this song, there are nine instrumental numbers as well.

This CD is truly a gift of comfort to all who listen. Net proceeds of the sales will go to the Heart Institute in Ottawa.

CDs are available here today for purchase @ \$20.00 each, or you may contact Dorothy M. Goubault via e-mail: dorothymgoubault@gmail.com



When Will I See You Again

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Our life has been a journey
As it wound its way up and down
There's been happiness, love and laughter
With much loss and sadness around
I will always remember the good times
Though troubled waters been through
And with the light at the end of the tunnel
Where God's grace has taken us to
Now that our earthly time is ended
And my love I must say good-bye
Remember I will think of you always
And with a sad tear in my eye
How we built our home together
With the hardship we came through
That our love would last forever
And our strength would see us through

Chorus

When will I see you again, my love?
When will I see you again?
When the sky is blue and the sun shines through
When the moon rises over the pines
When the whippoorwills shrill,
And the waters run still
It is then I will see you again.

Will there ever be another, so kind caring and true
With sadness in my heart and God's blessing
That I shall be waiting for you
I remember our lifetime together
And how you loved me so

How I miss your caring blue eyes
As I think of the falling snow
That cold February morning still haunts me
As I walked out with fiddle in hand
To the glistening white snow on the snowbanks
And a calmness that fell o'er the land
As I stood there and watched you in silence
As you brushed off the fallen snow
The lines on your face told a story
Of sad memories from long ago

Chorus

It was a morning I shall always remember
And with a heavy heart,
Somehow I knew
That life, life was forever changing
And without you what would I do?
As each day comes to an end
Dear God, when will I see you again?
As I close this tragic love story
And your life has come to an end
You must know that we'll still be waiting
For your loving words, kind touch and then
I must say good-bye to move forward
Each and every passing day
When the loons sing their song to your spirit
I look to the heavens and pray

Chorus

I know I will see you again.