

Welcome

To

Grace United Church

Happy Father's Day



Grace United Church

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JUNE 19, 2022

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June is National Indigenous History Month

'WE ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS!'



Prelude: Meditation on "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Welcome and Announcements: Cheryl O'Leary

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Lighting of the Christ and Celebration Candle

Even in the silence of your presence we know you are with us.

(Please stand as able)

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

One: We come as children of God.

All: We come, unsure where to seek God's presence.

One: The wind blows,

But God is not in the wind.

The earth quakes,

All: But God is not in the earthquake,

One: The fire burns,

All: But God is not in the flame.

One: There is nothing but utter stillness.

All: God is there in the silence.

One: In silence we will wait for God.

All: God is with us now.

Opening Hymn *(remain standing)*

Voices United # 651 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of Heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want not more.

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2. Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the flower and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield,
Be thou still my strength and shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

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(please be seated)

Passing of the Peace (Together)

**There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free;
there is not longer male or female, for all are one in Christ Jesus.
Share this gracious welcome with one another. (The sign of Peace)**

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Opening Prayer (Together)

Come, O God, be with us here. As much as a deer long for streams of cool water, we long to know that you are with us. When troubles and sorrow come, we need you. Help us remember that you are always with us, and that your love is steadfast. Put your song into our hearts that we may praise you this day. AMEN

Song of Illumination: (Please stand as able)

Voices United # 652 "Be Still, My Soul"

1. Be still, my soul, for God is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Trust in your God, your saviour and your guide,
Who through all changes faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul, you best, your heavenly friend
Through stormy ways leads to a peaceful end.
2. Be still, my soul, your God will undertake
To guide the future surely past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul, life's tempests still obey
The voice that once the waves' wild fury stayed.

3. Be still, my soul, the hour hastening on
When we shall be forever on God's peace;
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
Love's joys restored, our strivings all shall cease.
Be still, my soul, when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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(please be seated)

Scripture Reader: Barb Jenkins

1 Kings 19: 1-15 "Elijah hears God in the sound of silence"

19 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid;^[a] he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell

asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." ⁸ He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. ⁹ At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

Elijah Meets God at Horeb

¹¹ He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here,

Elijah?" ¹⁴ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.

Galatians 3: 23-29 "No longer Jew or Greek, male or female; all are one in Christ"

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous^[i] by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring,^[k] heirs according to the promise.

Anthem: *Whisper to my Heart* - Joseph Martin

Life Lesson: "We hunger for God's presence"

Responding Hymn *(Please stand as able)*

Voices United #606 “In Christ There is No East or West”

1. In Christ there is no east or west,
In Him no south or north,
But one great family of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.
2. In Him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding humankind.
3. Join hands, then, people of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be;
All children of the living God
Are surely kin to me.
4. In Christ now meet both east and west,
In Him meet south and north;
All Christ-like souls are one in him
Throughout the whole wide earth.

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Your Generosity Matters: Knowledge for Life Habtamu's Story

Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer

Voices United # 400 – “Lord listen to your children praying” (2)

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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(please be seated)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Offering

(Offering plates are left out at various spots in the Sanctuary for those who are able to place their giving's. Offering Plates will not be passed during service)

Offering Prayer (Together)

Generous God, you are always with us, always caring for us, always drawing us together. We are so grateful for your loving presence. We bring our gifts before you today, that his offering may reach out in love to your people everywhere. AMEN

Closing Hymn: *(Please stand as able)*

Voices United # 639 "One More Step Along the World I Go"

1. One more step along the world I go,
One more step along the world I go,
From the old things to the new,
Keep me travelling along with you:

***And it's from the old I travel to the new;
Keep me travelling along with you.***

2. Round the corner of the world I turn,
More and more about the world I learn;
All the new things that I see
You'll be looking at along with me:

***And it's from the old I travel to the new;
Keep me travelling along with you.***

3. As I travel through the bad and good,
Keep me travelling the way I should;
Where I see no way to go
You'll be telling me the way, I know;

***And it's from the old I travel to the new;
Keep me travelling along with you.***

4. Give me courage when the world is rough,
Keep me loving through the world is tough,
Leap and sing in all I do,
Keep me travelling along with you:

***And it's from the old I travel to the new;
Keep me travelling along with you.***

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(please be seated)

Sending Forth: (Responsive)

One: Jesus told the one who was healed and whole:

All: "Return to your home and declare how much God has done for you".

One: As our service ends, we too return to our homes.

All: In all that we do and say, let us declare how much God has done for us.

Benediction:

Choral Amen

Postlude: Improvisation on "Hyfrydol"

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 Eileen Thomson, Laurie Cadue, Anne Curtis, and Richard Abrams.

Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary to Brian & Susan Tunnicliffe.

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. *****

The General Council 44 of the United Church of Canada is meeting this weekend – Friday to Sunday, therefore as a Commissioner, Rev. Takouhi is involved with that gathering. We are grateful that Barb DeJeet is able to be with us and lead our worship celebration.

Offerings – June 12, 2022 - Attendance: 53

General \$ 1217.00
Mission & Service \$ 384.00

Thank you for your offerings

PLEASE WRITE YOUR NAME & AMOUNT ON YOUR ENVELOPE

There are many ways you can partner up with God’s Mission through Grace United Church and help make a difference.

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by Credit Card through CanadaHelps.

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/118944701RR0001-grace-united-church/>

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The United Church Women (UCW) are making ribbon pins for Ukraine. The pins will be available on Sunday mornings for a donation beginning May 22nd.

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Fundscrip Gift Cards orders can be placed anytime and shipped right to your home. All you need to do is set up an account and use the invitation code AU3PXP to connect with Grace United. Gift cards make great gifts and are also away to keep your everyday spending on a budget. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Brooks, Denise Wood or Laurie Cadue. We appreciate your continued support.

Church Name Tags – LAST CALL for this order!!

Would you like a name tag? An order will be placed June 30th

(Cost = New members free – replacement \$5)

If you would like one, let Laurie know.

Call the office at 613-382-2161.

Mark Your Calendars

Mary's Merry Minstrels are coming back.

At Grace United Church

Thursday, July 7th from 7 to 9 pm.

"Fiddle Days are Here Again"

A concert of fiddle music and more.

Admission is by Donation.

All proceeds to support

Gananoque Refugee Settlement Group/Ukraine



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.



(Picture: Credit to Indigenous Ministries and Justice – The United Church of Canada)

The Summer Edition of our Newsletter, *Grace's Chatter* was sent out on Friday, via email. It is also available on our website, hard copies are available to pick up in the Narthex.

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The 2022 Directory will be available soon

Sunday, June 26th – 10:30 am Worship Service

Tuesday, June 28th – 7:00pm, Trustee Meeting (ZOOM)

Sunday, July 3rd – 10:30 am Service – Baptism

Thursday, July 7th – 7 to 9 pm Concert

Sunday, July 10th – 10:30am Service

Saturday, July 16th AMAC Rental (all day)

Sunday, July 17th – 10:30 am Worship Service

Sunday, July 24 – 10:30 am Worship Service

Important Information

Service will also be shown live on YouTube.

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

<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.