



Grace United Church

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August 21, 2022, Order of Worship

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

**Today we Celebrate the 36th Anniversary
of Rev. Takouhi's arrival to Canada as a refugee**

WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF GRACE

Prelude: *Largo* - G. F. Handel

Welcome – Diane Nuttall

Community in Action – Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Spiritual Focus:

*"God's Law is ALL about Hope, Help and Healing,
and Has No Boundaries..."*

Call to Worship (Responsive): Ps. 71:3, 5

One: God is our rock and our fortress,

All: our refuge and strength.

One: God is our hope and our trust.

All: Praise the Lord!

One: God is PRESENT, even when we are

unable to see with our physical eyes.



(Please stand as able)

Song of Praise: Voices United # 238

"O Lord My God" (How Great Thou Art)

- 1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
- 2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
- 3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!

- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, 'My God, how great thou art!'
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!

Words: Carl Gustav Boberg ca 1885, Eng. trans. Stuart K. Hine ca 1939

Music: Swedish melody, arr. Stuart K. Hine 1949

(Please be seated)

Opening Prayer (All):

God of healing and reconciliation, you free us from our burdens and promise us eternal refuge. Help us to trust in your power that we may praise you without qualification and rejoice in the power of your Love that is beyond our imagination. We humbly Pray. Amen.

WE SEEK WISDOM

Song of Illumination: Voices United # 376

"Spirit of the Living God"

- 1 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
- 2 Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!

Words: v.1, Daniel Iverson 1926; v.2, Michael Baughen 1982

Music: Daniel Iverson 1926; arr. Darryl Nixon 1987

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Scripture Reader: Shirley Clark

Gospel of Luke 13:10-17 (NRSV)

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Organ Solo – Gospel Medley

Life Lesson *"Law is Good, but LOVE is BETTER!"*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

(Please stand as able)

Song of Hope and Healing Voices United # 337

"Blessed Assurance"

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of the Spirit, washed in Christ's blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight!
 Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
 angels descending, bring from above
 echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
 This is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Saviour all the day long;
 this is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Saviour all the day long.
- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
 I in my Saviour am happy and blessed;
 watching and waiting, looking above,
 filled with God's goodness, lost in Christ's love.
 This is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Saviour all the day long;
 this is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Saviour all the day long.

Words: Fanny J. Crosby 1873, alt.
 Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp 1873

(Please be seated)

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus Taught His followers (All):

**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.**



Your Generosity Matters: Camp Instills Confidence.

Our Offerings – Supporting God’s Ministries:

We give for the Mission of God to Make Miracles Evident.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All):

Lord, you give us all that we have.

Accept these gifts, sanctify, and multiply them.

Use them for your purpose and glory.

**May these gifts increase our faith, nurture hope,
 and be counted as honest gifts from our hearts.**

Amen.

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

(Please stand as able)

Song of Going Forth: Voices United # 288

“Great is Thy Faithfulness...”

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator;
 there is no shadow of turning with thee;
 thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
 as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.
 Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;
 all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
 great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow -
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide.
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

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Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Prelude in C Major (from "8 Little Preludes and Fugues") - 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.
May Joy abound and Love Multiply.

Happy Birthday to Jack Petch, Michelle Denis and Art Page

Happy 59th Wedding Anniversary to Gord & Faye Trimble and Happy 55th Wedding Anniversary to Murray & Rhea Roantree.

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. ****

There are many ways you can partner up with God's Mission through Grace United Church and help make a difference. by cheque -120 Pine ST.

Gananoque, On K7G 1C7, e-transfer to grace.gan@outlook.com

Sign-up for PAR Forms https://united-church.ca/sites/default/files/form_par-authorization.pdf

by Credit Card through

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

A variety of frozen Pies are still available to purchase. Please call Carol at 613-382-4376 or Laurie during office hours at 613-382-2161.



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)

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Sunday, August 21st – 10:30 am Service – Rev. Takouhi

Sunday, August 28th – 10:30 am Service – Rev. Takouhi

Important Information

Service will also be shown live on YouTube.

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

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