

WELCOME TO GRACE UNITED CHURCH

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The 2024 Directory will be out when the information is received.

If you are not able to join us in person or want to watch the service again, watch on YouTube.

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

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

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



***Where Everyone is Part of the Family
&***

Worship is a Lifestyle NOT an Event

***(Remember to pass this bulletin to someone else
You never know how you will Bless them)***



Grace United Church

120 Pine St. Gananoque, ON K7G 1C7

Ordained Minister

Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro B.A., B.Th., M.Div.

Director of Music

Mr. Paul Harding, B. Mus., B. Ed.

Office Administrator

Laurie Cadue

July 21, 2024

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

WE GATHER AS A RESURRECTION PEOPLE

Organ Prelude: *Meditation on "Lasst uns erfreuen"*

Welcome – Vicki Leakey

Land Acknowledgement (Responsive):

One: Grace United Church takes seriously the commitments made to First Nations communities through the national Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report, especially through the Calls to Action to churches like us.

All: Therefore, we acknowledge, this day, that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the original nations of this land, and we acknowledge with respect, their history, their spirituality, and their culture.

Community in Action – Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Spiritual Focus:

*"Deserted places **change** your perspective.
You **see only** what's left, **what's essential...**"*

The Rev. Dr. Karoline Lewis



Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship: (Responsive):

One: Come into the presence of the Most High
with songs of praise and shouts of thanksgiving.

All: For our God's Love is All Powerful Love.

One: The Holy One is always with us, in us and works through us.

Prayer of Approach (All):

O Trinity, fill our weakness with your strength; bind up our brokenness with your unity; calm our fears and our dread of dying with your peace. Let us be about the tasks of your love. Use us to build a holy place where healing and caring and joy blend in the tones of worship to the glory of your holy name. **Amen.**

(Please stand as able)

Gathering Song of Praise: Voices United #217

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

(Please be seated)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reader: Christina Charney

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Gospel of Mark 6:30-34; 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Reader: Here ends today's reading.

For the Sacred Story is God's story,

All: for the Sacred Story is our story,

Reader: for the Sacred Story is our source and inspiration.

All: Thanks be to God.

Musical Gift

Life Lesson *"The Church is the Healing Fringes of HIS Garment"*

Song of Assurance: Voices United #625

"I Feel the Winds of God"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus taught his followers -(Spoken)

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 OFFICIALLY WELCOME NEW FAMILY MEMBERS
TO THIS COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

 **Mary Diane (Garbey) Hayward**
(By profession of faith)

Statement of Purpose

One: The church is a community of people with varied gifts, united by the Holy Spirit... of the church of Jesus Christ.

Presentation / Commitment of New Members

Congregational Commitment

One: Dear friends... our love, care and support.

**All: As your brothers and sisters in Christ,
we rejoice in the gifts you bring to us.
We pledge to you our love, care and our support.
With God's help, we will together live out the
mission and ministry of Jesus.**

One: Together as one family let us stand, as able and say together our corporate profession of faith.

A New Creed¹ (All):

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,



¹ A New Creed is a brief and well-loved affirmation of faith used widely in our worship (1968; rev. 1980, 1995).

who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

Presentation of Certificate

**Welcome To Your
Church Family**



Song of Celebration Voices United # 958

"Halle, Halle, Halle" (x 2)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! (Hallelujah!)
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Words: trad. Liturgical text

Music: anon., arr. The Iona Community 1990

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Your Generosity Matters: Restoring Lost Languages



Invitation to Offer Ourselves, Finances, Gifts and Talents to God

We give as able to spread God’s Love with JOY!

Our Offerings are Received - Music

(Please stand as able)

Offertory Song: Voices United #540

“Grant us, God, the Grace” (Tune “Hymn to Joy” VU# 232)

Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.

Words: Anonymous

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (All):

Thank you, O God, for filling us with Your Spiritual Grace
that we might be a blessing for others.

Consecrate the gifts we offer for the increase of Your Love.

May they bring blessing to others and

make Your Miracles visible to all. **Amen**

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

Song of Commitment: Voices United #684

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude: *Fanfare on “Lasst uns erfreuen”*

Welcome

as we gather for worship this Sunday morning. If you are a visitor or a newcomer to this Community of Faith, either in person or virtually, we extend a warm welcome. May you come in as a stranger but depart knowing you are part of the family. Thank you for joining us.

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 Shannon

Happy 62 Anniversary to Tom & Carol.

Would you like your Birthday or Anniversary added to our announcements contact Laurie at the church Office and give her the details.

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 Rev. Takouhi or the church office if there is someone you know who is in need or a visit, in hospital or any other needs.

NOTE – Due to privacy laws and confidentiality, the names of people on our list are not printed in the Order of Service.

Ribfest Ecumenical Service – the Food Bank received a donation of \$462.62 from the offerings received at the Ecumenical Service held at Ribfest. Thank you to all for their contributions.

WRITE YOUR NAME & THE AMOUNT ARE ON YOUR DONATION ENVELOPE.

If you would like envelopes, there is a sign-up sheet available on the table in the Narthex.

Offerings July 2024

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benevolent (SGM)
July 7	25	\$ 472.50	\$ 162.50	\$ 0.00
July 14	68	\$ 1745.00	\$ 205.00	\$ 10.00
July 21				
July 28				
PAR				
BMO				

Thank you for your generosity.

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

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e-transfer to grace.gan@outlook.com

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) Forms are located on the table in the Narthex. https://united-church.ca/sites/default/files/form_par-authorization.pdf

by CreditCard through CanadaHelps.

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

NOTICE

Official Board Meeting

Sunday, July 28th after morning service.

Coming up this week at Grace United....

Sunday, July 21 10:30 am Worship	Office Closed Worship Leader, Rev Takouhi
Monday, July 22 6:30 pm	Office 8am – 1pm CONDO AGM
Tuesday, July 23 9am – 12pm	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters
Wednesday, July 24	Office Closed
Thursday, July 25	Office 8am – 1pm
Friday, July 26	Office 8am – 1pm
Saturday, July 27	Office Closed
Sunday, July 28 Following Service	Worship Leader: Rev. Takouhi Official Board Meeting

Summer Vacation – Laurie will be away on holiday from July 29th to Aug 12th. Marg Worth is covering the phone and checking the mail while Laurie is away. Emails to the church office will not be monitored. If you would like an announcement to run in the Order of Service during this time, please send notice in prior to July 24th.

The speaker for **Half Moon Bay on July 21/24** is

The Right Reverend Mary Gibson-Irwin
Bishop, Anglican Diocese of Montreal, Montreal, P.Q.

Music by Tim Hallman

Interdenominational service

Come to the PUC dock, by the boat launch

There will be an accessible water taxi each week for the service at the dock between 3:00 – 3:30 in Gananoque to have a boat ride to

Bostwick Island Service is at 4:00 pm