

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

August 4, 2024

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

WE GATHER AS A RESURRECTION PEOPLE

Organ Prelude: *Meditation on "Pescador de hombres" (Fisher of Men)*

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:

"God's will isn't for temporary sustenance, but for *ongoing life*."

Dr. Alicia D. Myers



Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: We offer worship as an outpouring of gratitude and awe

All: and a practice of opening ourselves to God's still, small voice of comfort and to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.

One: Through word, music, art, and sacrament,

All: in community and in solitude, God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world.

One: Let us worship God—

Holy Mystery who is Wholly Love.

Phil Hobbs, Frankford-Batawa P.C., Frankford, Ont. Inspired by A Song of Faith.

(Please stand as able)

Gathering Song of Praise: Voices United #220

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

(Please be seated)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Prayer of Illumination (All):

Great, Calling God,
the story of your love for all people
and the ways in which you reach out to us all
is so compelling that we cannot put it down.
Open us not only to your love for us,
but also to your love for others.
Help us to hear the words in such a way
that we seek to live it out in all that we do. **Amen!**

Beth W Johnston, Hantsport P.C., Hantsport, N.S.

Scripture Reader: Denise Woods

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,
All: our ears and hearts are open.

Gospel of John 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?"



Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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 *"God's Provision Isn't Temporary..."*

Song of Assurance: Voices United #563

"Jesus, You have Come to the Lakeshore"



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus taught his followers -(Sung VU #960)

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.**



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Your Generosity Matters:
Building Community through an After School Program



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 #356

“Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God” (sung twice)

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (All):

God of the journey,
you are our constant companion.
In times of great delight, you are there.
In periods of despair, you are there.
May these offerings be sustenance and hope for all.
Empower us to herald your way of love, repentance, and new life.

Amen *Laura Turnbull, Penticton U.C., Penticton, B.C.*

(Please be seated)

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

(Please stand as able)

Song of Commitment: Voices United #337

“Blessed Assurance”

Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude: *Finale on “Lobe den Herren” (Praise the Lord)*

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 Claire

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.

The speaker for **Half Moon Bay on August 4/24** is Reverend Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro, Grace United Church, Gananoque, ON

This is an 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

<http://www.facebook.com/HMB1000> 613-484-6197 for further details

Carveth Chapel Service, Thursday August 8th at 11:00am.

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	20	\$ 897.50	\$ 207.50	\$ 30.00
July 28				
PAR				
BMO				

Thank you for your generosity.

Offerings will be updated when Laurie returns from holiday.

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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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 Credit Card through CanadaHelps.

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

