

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>

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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 11, 2024

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

WE GATHER AS A RESURRECTION PEOPLE

Organ Prelude: *Meditation on "Dix" - Conrad Kocher*

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:

*"The present bread **does not fulfill our hunger... but that which Jesus gives does."***

Dr. Peter Claver Ajer

Lighting the Christ Candle



Call to Worship (Responsive):

One: For the great work of love and forgiveness, God needs you.

All: We have come at your call, O God.

One: God calls not your neighbour, not perfect people, not the others: you!

All: I am here.

One: Worship the Spirit of peace and life who has called you.

All: With my heart and mind, soul and strength, I do worship you and serve you, Holy and Everlasting One.

Robin Wardlaw, Toronto, ON

(Please stand as able)

Gathering Song of Praise: Voices United #226

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

(Please be seated)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Prayer of Illumination (All):

Holy and Awesome God, we are drawn to your reign. In story and song, we encounter your Good News. Enter into our time of worship with ever-new accounts of life-giving hope. Empower us to receive your message with new clarity and live the way of faithfulness with ever-fresh and vibrant expressions of caring. We offer ourselves to your holy way, as we receive your Word today. **Amen.**

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

Scripture Reader: Julie Price

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Gospel of John 6:35, 41-51

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. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the

wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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: "*Jesus: SUSTENANCE for ALWAYS & Forever...*"

Song of Assurance: Voices United #703

"In the Bulb there is a Flower"

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.**

Your Generosity Matters:

Minority Youth Forum: The Power of Bringing Youth Together.



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):

You have given us so much,
God of love and generosity.

Help us as we respond to your gifts
with the gifts of time, talent, and treasure.
We dedicate these offerings to your work
and our lives in your service. **Amen.**

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

(Please be seated)

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

(Please stand as able)

Song of Commitment: Voices United #343

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude: *Gavotte - G. F. Handel*



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 Marilyn and Elaine.

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 11/24** is

Reverend Mark Pierce

Retired, United Methodist Church

Cape, Vincent, N.Y.

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

**Fox Run Chapel Service,
Friday August 16th at 2:00pm.**

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				

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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-](https://united-church.ca/sites/default/files/form_par-authorization.pdf)

[church.ca/sites/default/files/form_par-authorization.pdf](https://united-church.ca/sites/default/files/form_par-authorization.pdf)

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