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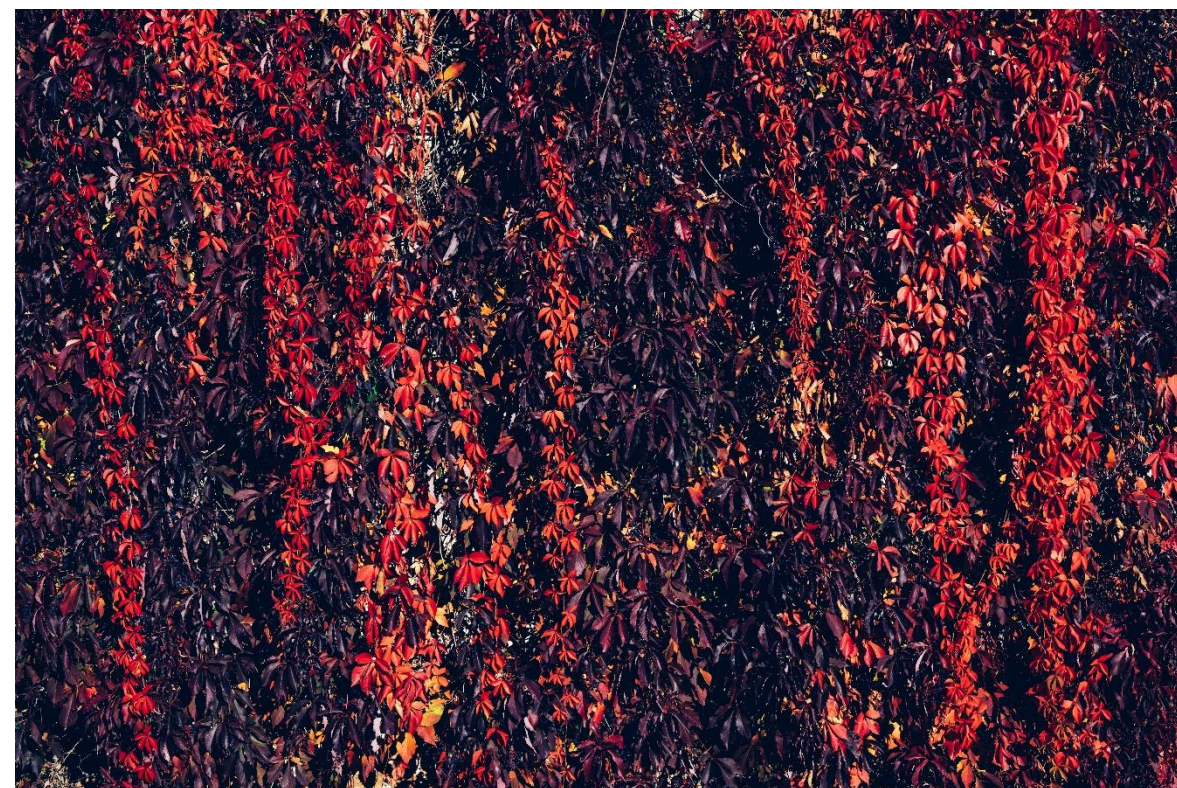
If you are not able to join us in person or want to watch the service again, watch on YouTube.

<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.

# WELCOME TO GRACE UNITED CHURCH



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***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

**September 15, 2024**

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**Order of Worship**

**WE GATHER AS A RESURRECTION PEOPLE**

**Prelude:** *Meditation on "Buinessan" - Gaelic Melody*

**Welcome – Barb Jenkins**

**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**

***"One Person's Song of Thanksgiving can become the Song of the entire Community of Faith..."***

*Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro*

**Lighting the Christ Candle**



**Call to Worship (Responsive):** Ps. 116: 1; 5

One: I love the Lord because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

**All: Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is merciful.**

One: I love the Lord because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Let us Worship the Lord with Thanksgiving and Praise.

*(Please stand as able)*

**Gathering Song of Praise: Voices United #410**

*"This Day God Gives" (Tune: Morning Has Broken VU#409)*

*(Please be seated)*

**WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES**

**Prayer of Illumination (All):** Ps. 19:14

Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord.

You are our Rock and our Redeemer. **Amen**

**Scripture Reader: Julie Price**

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

**All: our ears and hearts are open.**

## Psalm 116:1-9

(New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

### A Song of Thanksgiving

- 1 I love the Lord because he has heard  
my voice and my supplications.
- 2 Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- 3 The snares of death encompassed me;  
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
I suffered distress and anguish.
- 4 Then I called on the name of the Lord,  
"O Lord, I pray, save my life!"
- 5 Gracious is the Lord and righteous;  
our God is merciful.
- 6 The Lord protects the simple;  
when I was brought low, he saved me.
- 7 Return, O my soul, to your rest,  
for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.
- 8 For you have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears,  
my feet from stumbling.
- 9 I walk before the Lord  
in the land of the living.



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.**

**Anthem:** *Standin' in the Need of Prayer* - arr. Joel Raney

**Life Lesson:** *"Attitudes are Contagious – Is Yours worth Catching?"*

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE**

### **Song of Assurance: Voices United #670**

*"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

### **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:** *"A Journey of Faith & Peace"*



**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 #541**

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures high and low;  
give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Words: Thomas Ken ca. 1674

Music: Genevan Psalter 1551

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication:**

*(Please be seated)*

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

*(Please stand as able)*

**Song of Commitment: Voices United #678**

*“For the Healing of the Nations” (Tune: VU# 36)*

**Sending Forth & Benediction**

**Choral Amen**

**Organ Postlude:** *Finale on “Westminster Abbey” - Henry Purcell*

*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.***

**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.**

**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 Tom.**

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



**Plowboys Concert**

Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

Traditional Country Music at it’s finest.

All are welcome. Tickets are \$25 each available at service today or contact the church office.

Or scan the QR code for online purchases.

**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 September 2024**

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benevolent (SGM)
Sept 1	19	\$ 1074.40	\$ 152.50	\$ 1.50
Sept 8	32	\$ 1597.50	\$ 152.50	\$ 12.50
Sept 15				
Sept 22				
Sept 29				
BMO				
PAR				

**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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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](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/>

**Vendors wanted!!**

**Plans are underway for our annual Christmas Market which will be on November 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to be a vendor at the Market or know someone who would, please contact Laurie at the church office. 613-382-2161 or [grace.gan@outlook.com](mailto:grace.gan@outlook.com)**

**So far, we have Avon, Handmade Soaps, Honey & Candles, Wreaths, Woodworking, Pet Goods (Humane Society), Jams, Jellies & Pickles, Pike Island Outfitters, Knitt Items & Coffee (United Church)**

**Reminder to all**

**New Sessions of various classes are taking place at Grace United this fall. Please respect others who are renting our space. Do not enter if there is a class going on.**

**Most activities are listed in the bulletin; however, some do get missed. Please advise Laurie if you are having a meeting at the church**

***Coming up at Grace United....***

**Today following service – Session Meeting**

<b>Monday, September 16</b> 9 to 10 am 6 pm to 7pm	<b>Office 8am to 1pm</b> <b>Better Balance</b> <b>YOGA</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 17</b> 9am – 12pm 8:30 – 12pm 5:30 – 6:30	<b>Office 8am – 1pm</b> <b>Quilters</b> <b>PIES</b> <b>PILATES</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 18</b> 9 to 10 am 5:30 to 6:30 6:30 to 7:30	<b>Office Closed</b> <b>Better Balance</b> <b>BootCamp</b> <b>Zoomba</b>
<b>Thursday, September 19</b> 10:30 am 11:00 am	<b>Office 8am – 1pm</b> <b>Choir Practice</b> <b>Stewards Meeting</b>
<b>Friday, September 20</b> 9 to 10 am	<b>Office 8am – 1pm</b> <b>Better Balance</b>
<b>Saturday, September 21</b> 6:00 pm	<b>Office Closed</b> <b>First People - Kitchen</b>
<b>Sunday, September 22</b>	<b>Worship Leader: Tammy Fergusson</b>