

# WELCOME TO GRACE UNITED CHURCH

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**(Closed on Wednesdays)**

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## **Boards of Grace United**

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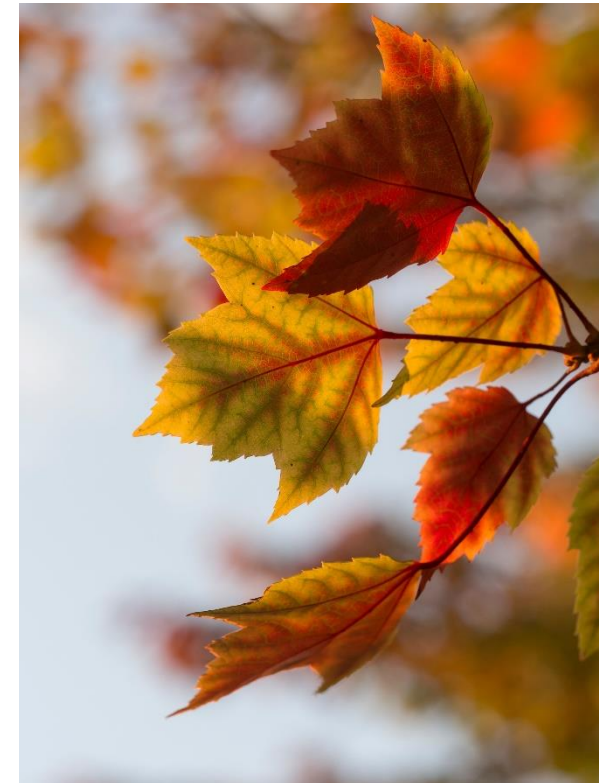
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If you are not able to join us in person or want to watch the service again, watch on YouTube.

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

<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

**October 20, 2024**

*Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost*

**Order of Worship**

**Worship Leader – Liz Church**

**WE GATHER AS A GRATEFUL PEOPLE**

**Prelude:** *Meditation on a Theme by Jeeva Sam*

**Welcome – Barb Jenkins**

**Land Acknowledgment**

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 and Anniversaries**

**Gathering Hymn: Voices United# 402 “We Are One”**

**Opening Prayer (together)**

**We gather today, our Lord, with gratitude in our hearts. Thank you for being here with us. May all You hear this day bring glory to Your Holy Name as we worship and praise You. Amen**

**Spiritual Focus**

***We have been given all we need, but we want more***

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

**ONE:** We light this candle in remembrance that Christ is the Light of the world.

**ALL:** **Let us take the light of Christ with us out into the world, and share God’s love with those we meet.**

**Gathering Call (Responsive)**

One: Today we gather in praise to our Creator

**All: We are the people of God**

One: Though we differ in language, custom and tradition

**All: We are brothers and sister in Christ**

One: There is one faith, one Lord, one baptism

**All: We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord**

One: Come, let us worship

**All: Let us worship and honor our God with gladness**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Illumination Hymn: Voices United # 371**

***“Open My Eyes, That I May See”***

**Scripture Reader:** Christina Gordon

**Scripture Readings:**

**Job 38:1-7; 34-41 – The Voice**

Out of the raging storm, the Eternal One answered Job. **Eternal One:** Who is this that darkens counsel, *who covers over sound instruction with empty words void of knowledge?* Now, prepare yourself *and gather your courage* like a warrior. *Prepare yourself for the task at hand.* I'll be asking the questions, now you will supply the answers. Where were you when I *dug and* laid the foundation of the earth? Explain it to me, if you are acquainted with understanding. Who decided on the measurements? Surely you know that! Who stretched out a line to measure the dimensions? Upon what base was the foundation set? Or who laid the cornerstone? *On the day when* the stars of the morning broke out in song and God's heavenly throng, elated, shouted along?

Can you bellow out orders at the clouds and pull down a flood of rain around you? Can you dispatch bolts of lightning on their way, *who instantly obey and* say to you, "Here we are"? Who put wisdom within the center of the created or granted understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to count the clouds *and send them on their way* or tip over the water skins of heaven *to refresh the ground below* When the *dry* dust is as hard as metal and clods *of clay* clump together? Can you hunt prey for the lioness or sate the appetites of her cubs While they crouch in their dens and wait in the brush? Who nourishes the hungry raven when its young chirp to God and wander for food?

**Psalms 91:9-16 New Living Translation**

If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your

shelter, no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home. For He will order His angels to protect you wherever you go. They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone. You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet! The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in My name. When they call on Me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them. I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation."

**Anthem:** *River in Judea - arr. John Leavitt*

**Prayer for Illumination:**

Dear Creator, source of all light, by your Word You give light to the soul. We ask for wisdom and understanding as we listen to Your Word. Open our hearts and minds to this sharing of Your Scripture. Amen

**Reflection:** " **How Much More Do You Want?** "

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE**

**Prayers of Hope and Healing**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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:**

***An Abundance of Blessings in a Time of Need***



**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 Hymn: Voices United # 538 "For the Gift of Creation"**

For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,  
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,  
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.  
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (All):**

**Gracious Lord, for the abundant blessings You have bestowed on us, we give You thanks. We ask with sincerity of heart that the gifts we have given today will be used to bless others and extend Your Kingdom. For Christ's sake, Amen**

*(Please be seated)*

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

*(Please stand as able)*

**Closing Hymn: Voices United # 589 "Lord, Speak to Me"**

**Commissioning and Benediction**

Heavenly Father, thank You for this time that we have spent together learning more about You and worshiping Your name. As we leave this place today, remind us of ways that we can bless others each day. Help us to see Your blessings around us in the simple, small things that bring us joy each day.

As you leave this place, be filled with God's peace. Go forth with joy that will spread to others. Draw them to Jesus through your witness. And continue in the knowledge that God loves you. Amen

**Choral Benediction: More Voices # 218 "May the Love of the Lord"**

**Organ Postlude:** *Canon in D - Johannes Pachelbel*

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*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.**

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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.**

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**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 this week to Susan & Helen.**

**Happy Anniversary to Brad & Anne.**

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

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**Don't forget, there are copies of "Our Daily Bread" available on the table in the Narthex for your enjoyment. Grab a copy and enjoy an inspirational story each day.**

**The December to February issues has just arrived.**

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**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 October 2024**

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benevolent (SGM)
Oct 6	47	\$ 1587.50	\$ 172.50	\$ 10.00
Oct 13	31	\$ 1566.00	\$ 170.00	
Oct 20				
Oct 27				
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.

120 Pine ST. Gananoque, On K7G 1C7,

e-transfer to [grace.gan@outlook.com](mailto: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](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/>

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**188 years Strong, Grace United Church**

**Anniversary Lunch,**

**Sunday, November 3rd**

**12:30 followed by a Slide Presentation on the Fire of '79**

**Tickets \$20.00**

**Tickets available through the Church Office;  
Gananoque Visitors Centre; Beggars Banquet Books  
and at the door. (cash only) Limited Seating**

## Coming up at Grace United....

Monday, October 21 9 to 10 am 6 – 7 pm	Office Closed Better Balance YOGA
Tuesday, October 22 9am – 12pm 9 - 12 5:30 – 6:30	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters PIES PILATES
Wednesday, October 23 9 to 10 am 4:30 – 7:30	Office Closed Better Balance Community Kitchen
Thursday, October 24 10:30 am	Office 8am – 1pm Choir Practice
Friday, October 25 9 to 10 am	Office 8am – 1pm Better Balance
Saturday, October 26	Office Closed
Sunday, October 27	Worship Leader: Rev Takouhi Official Board Meeting – following service

In an effort to complete her annual holidays, Rev. Takouhi will be taking the week of October 14, as her last week of holidays for 2024. The Worship leader for October 20<sup>th</sup> will be Liz Church, who will also be available for any funerals and Pastoral Care needs (902-441-5357). Rev. Takouhi will be back to work on October 24.

*Thank you to Liz Church for filling in today, while Rev. Takouhi is on holiday.*



# TALKS WITH DOCS w/ Dr. Christopher Frank



Let's talk about Healthy Aging

University Hospitals Kingston Foundation invites you to the next *Talks with Docs* educational session this November.

It's FREE, insightful and a great investment in yourself!

 Nov. 14, 2024 | 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

 Thousand Islands Playhouse, Gananoque

 Free to attend. RSVP required.



Limited seats. You can RVSP at [bit.ly/TalksWithDocs](https://bit.ly/TalksWithDocs), scan the QR code above, or call University Hospitals Kingston Foundation at 613-549-5452.