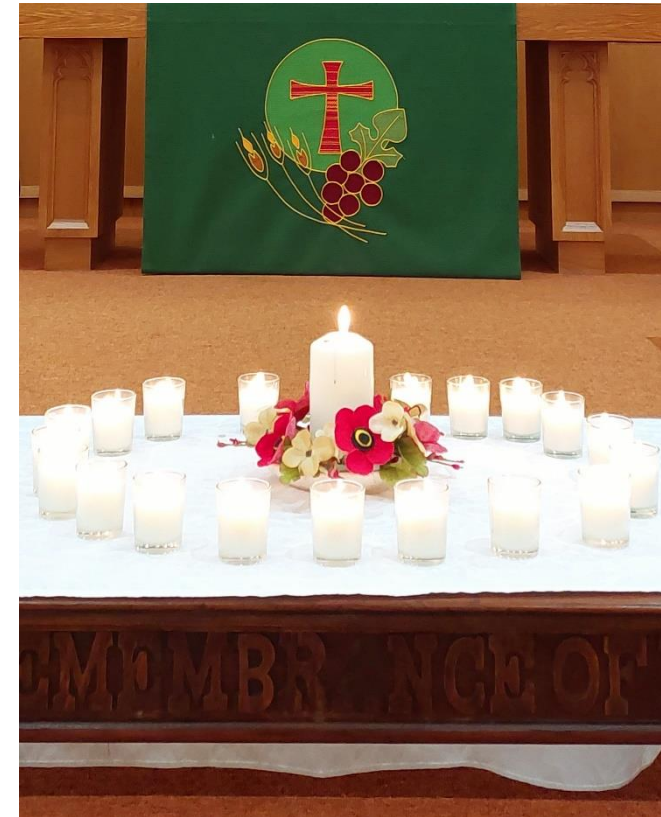


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Bulletin Dedication

Today's Bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of
Grandparents Elsie & Bruce Grier
They sent five sons to war, Four returned
Flying Officer Gordon Keith Grier
Is buried in Calais France.
I never knew him.

Remembered by Dianna Grier & Family



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)*



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November 10, 2024

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

Remembrance Day¹

Order of Worship

WE GATHER AS UNITED AND UNITING PEOPLE

Organ Prelude: "In Christ There Is No East Or West"

melody McKEE -- Afro-American spiritual; words by John Oxenham 1913.

Welcome – Joan MacKinnon

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

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¹ Portions of this worship are from UCC Resources - Remembrance Sunday 2021 - Contributed by Capt (Rev.) Nathan Wright—Chaplain, The Royal New Brunswick Regiment (Fredericton, NB)

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

Act of Remembrance

"O Canada"

O Canada, our home and native land.
True patriot love in all of us command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North, strong and free,
From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free;
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.



Words: Robert Stanley Weir 1908 (alt.)

Music: melody Caliza Lavallée

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In Flanders Fields (by LCol John McCrae): Dan Zentil

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.

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If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Words of Remembrance (Responsive)

One: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.

All: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

One: At the going down of the sun and in the morning.

All: We will remember them.

Last Post

Moment of Silence

Rouse

Spiritual Focus:

"...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Lighting the Christ Candle

(The Christ candle is lit.)

Call to Worship – (Responsive):

One: From east and west, north and south, we gather on this day of remembrance to give thanks and praise.

All: We come to be inspired by the Word of God and honour the sacrifices of those who have committed themselves to service before self.

One: In times of peace, in times of conflict, and in times of uncertainty,

All: We remember that we are not alone.

One: We are the people of God, connected across time and space, from generation to generation.

All: We are united by the love of the One who said: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

One: As we gather to remember, let us sing and pray.

All: Let us worship God together!

(Please stand as able)

Gathering Song of Praise Voices United #296

"This is God's Wondrous World"

(Please be seated)

Prayer of the Day (All):

Holy God, you have commanded us to not be afraid and assured us of your presence. In the midst of trials, joys, sorrows and dreams may we know your presence and rejoice. Grant us courage, to take delight in your spirit in all times and all places. Grant us faith, to see the myriad of ways you give life. Grant us hope, to participate in your work in the world. Grant us love, to welcome, respond, and act with compassion in all we say and do. We humbly pray. **Amen.**

(Please stand as able)

Song Praise & Thanksgiving: Voices United #713

"I See a New Heaven"

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Scripture Reader: Barb Jenkins

Reader: God offers to us, through prophets and apostles, words of life which in faith become the Living Word.

All: Let us listen for that Living Word.

Hebrew Scriptures - Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 – (NRSV)

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. I gave him Isaac; "Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord.

Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we

will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Reader: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *Let There be Peace on Earth - Sy Miller, Jill Jackson*

Life Lesson: *"Faith: How We Live & NOT What We Believe"*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Song of Hope & Healing

"It is Well With My Soul" in Armenian Rev. Takouhi

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Lord's Prayer Voices United 960 (Sung)

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,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Your Generosity Matters: Overcoming Obstacles

Your gifts support people building a better future for themselves and their families.

Invitation to Giving & Sharing

Each day of our lives we are presented with opportunities to respond to God's love and give of ourselves in faithful service. There are many ways to give, each according to our own abilities, with all gifts working together for the sake of the mission and ministry entrusted to us by God. You are now invited to give, as you are able, to support the work of this community of faith.

Offertory Song: Voices United #509

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" (Refrain Only – Sung Twice)

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

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The New Creed ¹ - Affirmation of Faith (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,
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.



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

(Please stand as able)

Song of Hope & Going Forth Voices United #678

"For the Healing of the Nations" (Tune: VU 36 – Regent Square)

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: "Blowin' in the wind" by Bob Dylan 1962

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.

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

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

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/>

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)	Anniversary
Nov 3	33	\$ 722.50	\$ 177.50	\$ 26.50	\$ 70.00
Nov 10					
Nov 17					
Nov 24					
BMO					
PAR					

Thank you for your generosity.

For our Christmas Market a success, we need your help. We will need donations of Baked goods for the Bake table, Volunteers to help with serving lunch, selling tickets and other various tasks. Donations of "NEW" item for the silent Auction and Raffle table. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Wood. Sign-up sheets are at the back.

Grace United Church
Annual Christmas Market
Saturday, November 30th
10:00 am to 2:00pm

merry
Christmas

Local Vendors with Crafts, Baked Goods, Candles, Coffee, Avon, Humane Society Table, Wood Working and so much more.
Silent Auction – Raffle table
Delicious Hot Lunch
All are Welcome
- Free Admission -

**Rev. Takouhi Will be away from November 11 – 27th,
on Study Leave to Prepare for Advent and Christmas.
For Pastoral Care Emergencies to Contact Liz Church 902-441-5357**

Coming up at Grace United....

Monday, November 11 9 to 10 am 6 – 7 pm	Office 8 to 1pm Better Balance YOGA
Tuesday, November 12 9am – 12pm 9am – 12pm 5:30 – 6:30	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters Pies PILATES
Wednesday, November 13 9 to 10 am 5:30 – 7:30	Office Closed Better Balance BootCamp/Zoomba
Thursday, November 14 10:30 am	Office 8am – 1pm Choir Practice
Friday, November 15 9 to 10 am	Office 8am – 1pm Better Balance
Saturday, November 16	Office Closed
Sunday, November 17	Office Closed Worship Leader: Emily Gardiner

There will be a Visioning Committee Meeting with Zoom on Friday, November 15 at 10 am. Everyone is welcome to join us as we plan to move Grace United Church into the future. Please contact Tammy Fergusson 613-328-7766

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-R3mmlG7LnX1jKJnEg>

<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

**Our Next Fundraising Concert
November 22 at 7:30pm**

**MINSTREL
OF THE DAWN**

The Music of GORDON LIGHTFOOT

**Friday, November 22nd
7:30pm
Grace United Church
120 Pine St.,
Gananoque**

Cliff Edwards
Jennifer Tindale
Paul Harding
Bob Arlidge
Rob Bradizza
Lisa Draper

Friday, November 22 at 7:30pm
Tickets are \$25 in Advance (\$30 at the door)
Available at Grace United Church – 613-382-2161
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