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

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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



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

Director of Music

Mr. Paul Harding, B. Mus., B. Ed.

Office Administrator

Laurie Cadue

Grace United Church—February 16, 2025

Order of Worship

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Norma Wrightly, LLWL

WE GATHER AS A GRATEFUL PEOPLE

Prelude: *Meditation on "Wonderful Love"*

- Adam Watson

Welcome – Colleen Harding

Land Acknowledgement

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.

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

Spiritual Focus

"We must learn that to expect God to do everything while we do nothing is not faith but superstition."

— Martin Luther King Jr.

Lighting the Christ Candle (Responsive)

One: We light this small candle.

All: Even one candle can be a beacon of HOPE

One: *The Christ candle is lit.*

We pray that hope and love may fill our hearts.

All: May we carry this light with us, always.

Gathering 2021/22 yr. C pg. 43 Beth W Johnston

Call to Worship (Responsive)

ONE: As one week finishes and another week begins, we have come to this house of worship that we might place ourselves, our lives, our loved ones, and all our cares and joys in the embrace of God, whose welcome is always assured.

ALL: We come confident that God is always with us.

We come thankful that,

in this world in which we live,

we have this place to call our spiritual home and people to companion us on our journey.

We come to give thanks.

ONE: Come and let us worship God.

Gathering 2021/22 yr. C pg. 44 Bob Root, Used with permission

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(Please stand as able)

Gathering Hymn of Praise: Voices United #574

“Come, Let Us Sing Of A Wonderful Love”

Please be seated)

Prayer of the Day (All):

Gracious God, we come today to worship you, confident as always that you are with us.

You receive our prayers, our laments, and our celebrations.

As we gather today, make us one in spirit and one in body as you yourself were embodied in the person of Jesus, in whose name we pray and worship. Amen

~ Gathering 2021/22 yr. C pg. 45 Catherine Tovell

WE REFLECT ON THE SACRED STORIES

Hymn of Illumination: Voices United #371

“Open My eyes, That I May See” (Verse 3 only)

Scripture Reader: Vicki Leakey

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 17: 5—10

This is what the Lord says:

“Cursed is the one who trusts in man,
who draws strength from mere flesh
and whose heart turns away from the Lord.

That person will be like a bush in the wastelands;
they will not see prosperity when it comes.
They will dwell in the parched places of the desert,
in a salt land where no one lives.

“But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
whose confidence is in him.

They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream
It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green.

It has no worries in a year of drought
and never fails to bear fruit.”

The heart is deceitful above all things
and beyond cure.

Who can understand it?

“I the Lord search the heart
and examine the mind,
to reward each person according to their conduct,
according to what their deeds deserve.”

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: *We Are Sing, for the Lord is Our Light*
Siyahamba – Zulu Song

Life Lesson:

Solo: You Raise Me Up - Graham, Lovland
Soloist: David Grant

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Hymn of Assurance: Voices United #382

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus taught his followers (ALL)

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:

When Faith Meets Understanding

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 #537

(Tune: Amazing Grace)

“Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands”

1 Your work, O God, needs many hands
to help you everywhere,
and some there are who cannot serve
unless our gifts we share.

2 Because we love you and your work,
our offering now we make:
be pleased to use it as your own,
we ask for Jesus' sake.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (ALL):

***Holy One, bless and multiply these gifts we give
as tokens of our trust in you.***

Use them to bless the poor, feed the hungry,

and comfort those who weep;

In Jesus name. Amen

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(Please be seated)

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

(Please stand as able)

Song of Going Forth: Voices United #626

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus"

Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude:

Psalm XX: Homage to Benedetto Marcello

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.

Grace United Church is having a Hymn Sing at Carveth Care Home on February 18, April 29, May 27. Come and join Tammy Fergusson for some down-home familiar singing from 11 - 11:30 AM!

Thank you to our worship Leader this morning, Licensed Lay Worship Leader, Norma Wrightly. We appreciate your time and dedication.

Join us next Sunday as Tammy Fergusson leads our 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 Tim.

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

2025 Donation Envelopes are ready for pick up in the Narthex. If you cannot find your envelopes or would like envelopes. Please contact Laurie 613-382-2161.

Offerings February 2025

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benevolent (SGM)
Feb 2	30	\$ 767.50	\$132.50	\$ 27.50
Feb 9	23	\$ 1597.50	\$ 322.50	\$ 2.00
Feb 16				
Feb 23				
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

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.

AGM - SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23rd following service.

Your attendance to the meeting is vital to Grace United Church. Information will be shared about the future of our church and your input is needed. Please plan to attend.

FOOD BANK SUNDAY – February 23, 2025
Proteins, canned meats, peanut butter. They are also in need of empty egg cartons

List of guest Worship Leaders

DATE	Worship Leader
February 23	Tammy Fergusson
March 2 (Transfiguration Sunday)	Dave Charles
March 9 (Lent 1)	Rev. Tom Walton
March 16 (Lent 2)	Charlotte Hoy
March 23 (Lent 3)	Elaine Farley
March 30 (Lent 4)	Paul Whiteley
April 6 (Lent 5)	Paul Whitely
April 13 (Palm Sunday)	Tammy Fergusson
April 20 (Easter Sunday)	Rev. Kathy Walton
April 27	Tammy Fergusson

Nominations for Grace United Church Board and Committees are currently being received. Nominations will be taken up to and including the **February 23 Annual General Meeting to be held immediately following Worship on that date. Please contact the Nomination Committee of Dave Charles and Julie Price if you are interested in participating in one of these committees or you seek further information on any of these governance opportunities.**

Coming up at Grace United....

Monday, February 17 9am o 11:30 1:30pm	FAMILY DAY - OFFICE CLOSED Seniors – Better Balance UCW Meeting
Tuesday, February 18 9am – 12pm 11:00am 1:30pm 5:30 – 6:30	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters Carveth Hymn Sing (at Carveth) Knitters PILATES
Wednesday, February 19 9am o 11:30 1:30 to 2:30	Office Closed Seniors – Better Balance Seniors – Communications (Small Board room)
Thursday, February 20 1:30 to 2:30 5:30 pm	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – MELT PRIDE Alliance Meeting
Friday, February 21 9am o 11:30	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – Better Balance
Saturday, February 22	Office Closed
Sunday, February 23 Worship Service 10:30am Following Service	Office Closed Worship Leader: Tammy Fergusson FOOD BANK SUNDAY Annual Congregation Meeting