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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



Where Everyone is Part of the Family

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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.

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Laurie Cadue

March 16, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent

Worship Leader: LLW, Charlotte Hoy,

We Gather as a Grateful People

Prelude: *Meditation on "Promise" - Natalie Sleeth*

Welcome – Diane Nuttall

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

Stand firm in God's love.

Lighting the Christ Candle

We Light the Christ candle each week to remind Us of the gift of God's love and grace. A light In darkness. God's love, constant and true.

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: God, our light and salvation calls us to worship

All: We gather in faith, confidence and praise

One: God's face shines upon us with grace and love.

All; We re strong for God is here.

One: Thanks be to God for this wonderful gift.

(Please stand as able)

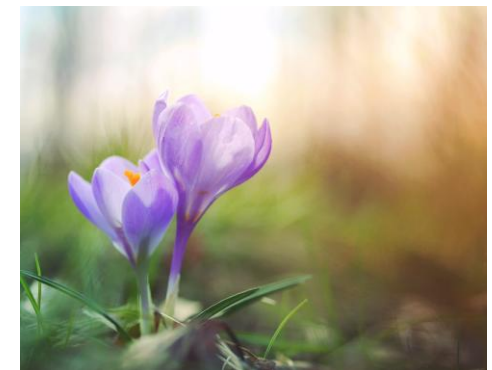
Gathering Song of Praise: Voices United # 703

"In the Bulb There is a Flower"

(Please be seated)

Prayer of the Day (All):

Mighty God, we come into your presence
From many different places and situations
Light our way in this time of worship
Calm our hearts, focus our thoughts
And strengthen our faith
As we pray and praise this day. Amen



We Reflect on the Sacred Stories

Hymn of Illumination: More Voices # 7

"Gather Us In"

Gather us in, ground us in you.

Gather us in, ground us in you.

**Gather us in, gather us in,
ground us, ground us in you.**

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Scripture Reader: Brian Brooks

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 27

The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation Of David.

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me

to eat up my flesh,

my adversaries and foes,

it is they who stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me,

my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me,

yet I will be confident.

One thing have I asked of the Lord,

that will I seek after:

that I may dwell in the house of the Lord

all the days of my life,

to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord

and to inquire^[c] in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter

in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;

he will lift me high upon a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up

above my enemies all around me,

and I will offer in his tent

sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;

be gracious to me and answer me!

You have said, "Seek^[d] my face."

My heart says to you,

"Your face, Lord, do I seek."^[e]

Hide not your face from me.

Turn not your servant away in anger,

O you who have been my help.

Cast me not off; forsake me not,

O God of my salvation!

For my father and my mother have forsaken me,
but the Lord will take me in.

Teach me your way, O Lord,
and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.

Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;
for false witnesses have risen against me,
and they breathe out violence.

I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living!

Wait for the Lord;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!

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: "He Became a Lamb" - Mary Kay Beall

Life Lesson: *Call or Whisper*



We Respond to God's Grace

Song of Assurance: More Voices # 90

"Don't Be Afraid"

**Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
my love is stronger than your fear.**

**Don't be afraid. My love is stronger
and I have promised, promised to be always near.**

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Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer the Jesus taught his followers (all)

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: *Building Climate Resiliency*

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)

Offering Song: More Voices # 191

"What Can I Do"

What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with Joy? I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (All)

Bless these gifts, O God

With your love, your strength and your presence.

May the ministries these offering supports be a sign of

Your love, strength and presence in the world. Amen.

(Please be seated)



**God Sends Us into the World
to Be the Church**

(Please stand as able)

Song of Going Forth: Voices United # 639

"One More Step Along the World I Go"

Sending Forth and Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude: Trumpet Voluntary No. 5 - John Stanley

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.

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

Join us next Sunday as Elaine Farley 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.

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 March 2025

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benevolent (SGM)
Mar 2	18	\$ 1031.50	\$ 167.50	\$ 86.50
Mar 9	27	\$ 1282.50	\$ 147.50	\$ 26.50
Mar 16				
Mar 23				
Mar 30				
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.

PLEASE CHECK DOORS AS YOU LEAVE. There have been a few times that doors have been found unlocked or not shut completely. Please check the doors when you leave, be sure they are locked and latched. Give the outside door a pull after you exit.

List of guest Worship Leaders

DATE	Worship Leader
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

Coming up at Grace United....

Monday, March 17 9am to 11:30 6 to 7 pm	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – Better Balance YOGA
Tuesday, March 18 9am – 12pm 5:30 – 6:30	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters PILATES
Wednesday, March 19 9am to 11:30 1:30 to 2:30 1:30 to 3:30pm	Office Closed Seniors – Better Balance Seniors – Communications Edna’s Café
Thursday, March 20 1:30 to 2:30	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – MELT
Friday, March 21 9am to 11:30 5:30 – 7:00	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – Better Balance Pride Youth Group
Saturday March 22	Office Closed
Sunday, March 23 Worship Service 10:30am	Office Closed LLWL, Elaine Farley

Pies, for God's Sake

After much consideration, we decided it is necessary to increase the cost of our fruit pies to \$18 for our delicious 10" pies due to the rising costs of ingredients. Raspberry pies and Mincemeat will remain at \$20 each.

Our freezers are full of Pies. We will be taking pie orders for pies for Easter with the pickup date of April 10th. To order call Carol Currie 613 382 4376.

Edna's Musical Cafe

A Sing-along and Afternoon Tea
For everyone!
A special welcome to persons living with dementia, and their caregivers.
March 19, 2025
1:30 to 3:30pm

Music has the power to unlock memories by reaching parts of the brain in ways other forms of communication cannot.

Singing together in a social atmosphere is fun!
Please come and enjoy old familiar tunes.
No experience necessary.
It's for everyone.
Free Admission
Grace United Church, 120 Pine St.
(Corner of Stone and Pine Streets)
Gananoque
For more information, call 613-382-2161



Presented by Grace United Church Women (UCW)

Our next concert is coming up on Thursday, April 17.
Back Home Again, featuring Cliff Edwards, Jeff Callery, Ken Hall, and Colbert and Scott Burns.
Mark your Calendar – Tickets available soon.

Back Home Again



Grace United Church
120 Pine St., Gananoque
Presents

The Music of Jimmy Buffet & John Denver
Thursday, April 17th at 7:30pm



CLIFF EDWARDS, and JEFF CALLERY with Ken Hall, Zak Colbert and Scott Burns come together to preform some of the greatest hits from these two superstars. Hits such as, "Leaving on a Jet Plane", "Country Roads", "Annie's Song", "Come Monday", "Margaritaville" and "Manana" to name a few.

Tickets are \$25 each
Available (cash only) at Grace United Church, Beggars Banquet Books and the Gananoque Visitors Centre.
Online purchases can be made through the link on Grace United Church Facebook Event page.