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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
and
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

March 23, 2025

Third Sunday of Lent

Worship Leader: Elaine Farley

We Gather as Grateful People

Prelude: *Meditation – Doreen Lankshear-Smith*

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 and Anniversaries

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

Spiritual Focus – Called to be Church

As we are all called to be the church, our response through prayerful engagement, encouragement of others, and kind and generous actions as children of God will help us all become more generous and grateful disciples of Jesus Christ.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship:

It is in God that we live, and move, and have our being. And so, in every moment of every day, we dance with God, and God dances with all creation. We don't often notice that we're dancing, but sometimes, every once in a while, God's music and movement breaks through, and we know! When we gather together, as community of faith, we gather to help one another become open to the presence of God; we gather to help one another be intentional in that relationship; we gather to help one another, and in helping one another, we worship God

Gathering Song of Praise: Voices United # 402

"We Are One"

Prayer of the Day *(Responsive/Interactive)*

One: This is a movement prayer, so I would invite you to repeat my actions as you are able*.

(Touching head) Creator, touch our minds—

All: *(Touching head)*

that we may worship with Understanding.

One: *(Touching above eyes)*

Christ, touch our eyes—

All: *(Touching above eyes)*

that we may recognize each other.

One: *(Touching lips)*

Holy Spirit, touch our voices—

All: *(Touching lips)*

that our words would always praise you.

One: *(Touching chest, above heart)*

Love Divine, touch our hearts—

All: *(Touching chest, above heart)*

that your compassion would overflow.

One: *(Placing one hand on top of the other, palms up)*

God of all, touch our hands—

All: *(Placing one hand on top of the other, palms up)* **that all we touch would be blessed, that all we touch would be transformed, that all we touch would be made new, by your love.**

One: *(Touching head, above eyes, lips, heart, and hands)*

With all that we are—

All: *(Touching head, above eyes, lips, heart, and hands)*
we worship you. Amen.

We Reflect on the Sacred Stories

Song of Illumination: Voices United #567

"Will You Come and Follow Me?"

Time for the Youth and Young At Heart

Scripture Reading

Scripture Reader: Shirley Clark

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 95

A Song of Praise

Come, let us praise the Lord!

Let us sing for joy to God, who protects us!

Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and sing joyful songs of praise.

For the Lord is a mighty God,
a mighty king over all the gods.

He rules over the whole earth,
from the deepest caves to the highest hills.

He rules over the sea, which he made;
the land also, which he himself formed.

Come, let us bow down and worship him;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

He is our God;

we are the people he cares for,
the flock for which he provides.
Listen today to what he says:
"Don't be stubborn, as your ancestors were at Meribah,
as they were that day in the desert at Massah.
There they put me to the test and tried me,
although they had seen what I did for them.
For forty years I was disgusted with those people.
I said, 'How disloyal they are!
They refuse to obey my commands.'
I was angry and made a solemn promise:
'You will never enter the land
where I would have given you rest.'"

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: *"There's Something About That Name"*
- Stan Pethel

Morning Message: Worship – how and where

*Message & prayers, taken and adapted from: Called to Be the
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Church of Canada | L'Église Unie du Canada | 2019 written by the
Rt. Rev. Richard Bott*

We Respond to God's Grace

Hymn of Assurance: Voices United #506

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Prayers of Hope and Healing

Lord's Prayer *(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: Springtime of the Spirit



Invitation to Offering:

When Jesus was with his disciples, he would share what he had— his teachings, his table, his love. Let us worship God by sharing ourselves, finances, gifts and talents!

We give as able to spread God's Love with JOY!

Collection of the Offering - Music

Offertory Hymn: Voices United # 543

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

**We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O God, from thee.**

Words: William Walsham How 1858

Music: John Balthasar Konig 1738

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (All)

The bills and the coins and the numbers in the bank are symbols of the work of our hands, loving God. We offer them to you, that they would be signs and symbols of our worship as they go out into the world. May they be used in ways that bring healing and wholeness to all creation. Amen.

God Sends Us into the World To Be The Church

Song of Going Forth: Voices United #424

"May the God of Hope Go with Us"

Commissioning

Benediction

Choral Amen:

Postlude: *St. Anthony Chorale - F.J. Haydn*

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, Elaine Farley. We appreciate your time and dedication.

Join us next Sunday as Paul Whiteley leads our service.

**Next Sunday, March 30th is Food Bank Sunday
Let's focus on toiletry items and paper products,
toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, Kleenex**

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 Gillian.

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

Official Board Meeting immediately following service this morning, regarding clustering.

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	27	\$ 672.50	\$ 122.50	\$ 21.50
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.

List of guest Worship Leaders

DATE	Worship Leader
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 (Holy humour)	Tammy Fergusson
May 4	Tammy Fergusson
May 11	UCW
May 18	Tammy Fergusson

NOTE: This week, March 25 & 26th students and teachers from the NTS Drama Festival will be using various rooms in the church to hold workshops.

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.

Coming up at Grace United....

Monday, March 24 9am to 11:30 6 to 7 pm	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – Better Balance YOGA
Tuesday, March 25 9am – 12pm 5:30 – 6:30	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters PILATES
Wednesday, March 26 9am to 11:30 1:30 to 2:30 3:30 to 7:30pm	Office Closed Seniors – Better Balance Seniors – Communications Community Kitchen
Thursday, March 27 1:30 to 2:30	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – MELT
Friday, March 28 9am to 11:30	Office 8am – 1pm Seniors – Better Balance
Saturday March 29 10am to 1pm	Office Closed Birthday Party (hall)
Sunday, March 30 Worship Service 10:30am FOOD BANK SUNDAY	Office Closed LLWL, Paul Whiteley

Our next concert is coming up on Thursday, April 1 Back Home Again, featuring Cliff Edwards, Jeff Callery, Ken Hall, and Colbert and Scott Burns.

Mark your Calendar

Tickets are available this morning.

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 perform 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.