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**NOTE – the church office will be closed Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

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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-R3mmlG7LnX1jKJnEg>

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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)*



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

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Laurie Cadue

**Sunday, August 31, 2025**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Worship Leader – Lynda Blanchard**

**We Gather as A Grateful People**

**Prelude:** *Meditation on "Part of the Family"*

**Welcome:** Vicky Leahey

**Land Acknowledgement**

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

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

**Spiritual Focus**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship** (Responsive)

One: We come together today to worship and sing praise.

**All: Today we will sing.**

One: Humbly we offer ourselves today.

**All: To lean of Jesus's word.**

**Gathering Song of Praise:** **Voices United # 395**

***Come In Come In and Sit Down***

**Prayer of the Day**

**We Reflect on the Sacred Stories**

**Hymn of Illumination** **Voices United # 371**

***Open My Eyes***

**A Time for the Youth and Young At Heart**

**Scripture Reading**

**Scripture Reader:** *Barb Jenkins*

**Reader:** Listen for the Sacred Story,

**All: our ears and hearts are open.**

## **Scripture Reading: Luke 14: 1, 7-14**

### **Jesus Heals a Sick Man**

14 One Sabbath Jesus went to eat a meal at the home of one of the leading Pharisees; and people were watching Jesus closely. <sup>2</sup> A man whose legs and arms were swollen came to Jesus, <sup>3</sup> and Jesus spoke up and asked the teachers of the Law and the Pharisees, "Does our Law allow healing on the Sabbath or not?"

<sup>4</sup> But they would not say a thing. Jesus took the man, healed him, and sent him away. <sup>5</sup> Then he said to them, "If any one of you had a child or an ox that happened to fall in a well on a Sabbath, would you not pull it out at once on the Sabbath itself?"

<sup>6</sup> But they were not able to answer him about this.

### **Humility and Hospitality**

<sup>7</sup> Jesus noticed how some of the guests were choosing the best places, so he told this parable to all of them: <sup>8</sup> "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not sit down in the best place. It could happen that someone more important than you has been invited, <sup>9</sup> and your host, who invited both of you, would have to come and say to you, 'Let him have this place.' Then you would be embarrassed and have to sit in the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> Instead, when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that your host will come to you and say, 'Come on up, my friend, to a better

place.' This will bring you honor in the presence of all the other guests. <sup>11</sup> For those who make themselves great will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be made great."

<sup>12</sup> Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your rich neighbors—for they will invite you back, and in this way you will be paid for what you did. <sup>13</sup> When you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind; <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed, because they are not able to pay you back. God will repay you on the day the good people rise from death."

**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.**

### **Ministry of Music**

**Morning Message:** *Let Me Be Humble*

<b>We Respond to God's Grace</b>
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**Song of Assurance** **Voices United # 372**

***Though I may Speak***

## **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:**

#### ***Education Shaped by Compassion***



### **Invitation to Offering**

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

### **The Offering is Received**

## **Offertory Hymn: Voices United # 537 (vs 1)**

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

Words: Calvin Weiss Lauffer 1927, alt.

Music: from Virginia Harmony 1831, adapt. And harm. Edwin O. Excell 1900

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## **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

### **God Sends Us into the World To Be The Church**

### **Song of Going Forth: More Voices # 145**

#### ***Draw the Circle Wide***

### **Commissioning**

### **Benediction**

### **Choral Amen:**

### **Organ Postlude:** *Fugue in C Major - J.S. Bach*



## 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.*

### 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 Dave.**

**Happy 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to Denise & Darryl.**

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

### **OFFERINGS AUGUST 2025**

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benev. (SGM)
Aug 3	12	\$ 540.00	\$ 100.00	
Aug 10	20	\$ 727.50	\$ 122.50	\$27.50
Aug 17	18	\$ 417.50	\$102.50	\$ 2.50
Aug 24		\$ 595.00	\$ 100.00	
Aug 31				
BMO		\$ 550.00	\$25.00	\$ 75.00
PAR		\$ 1950.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 20.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Thank you to our worship leader this morning, Lynda Blanchard. Next Sunday, Paul Whiteley will lead our service.**

### Memorial Donations

**In Memory of Ben Nuttall - Linda Robb**

**In Memory of Gayle Hutcheson - Diane Kirkby**

**In Memory of Graham Anglin**

*Tom & Carol Currie*

**In Memory of Martin Hawley**

*Tom & Sharon Fleming - Betty Ann & Alfred Read*

*Shirley Walker & family - Frances Mack*

*Rick & Kim Lawrence - Brenda Williams*

*Shirley Howard - Tom & Carol Currie*

*Doug & Christine Smith - Christina Gordon*

## ***Turpin's Trail***

***Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 7:30pm***

***With Special Guest, Joe Sexton***



***Tickets \$25 in Advance, \$30 at the door.***  
***Tickets are also available through Canadahelps.***  
***A link is on our Facebook event page.***