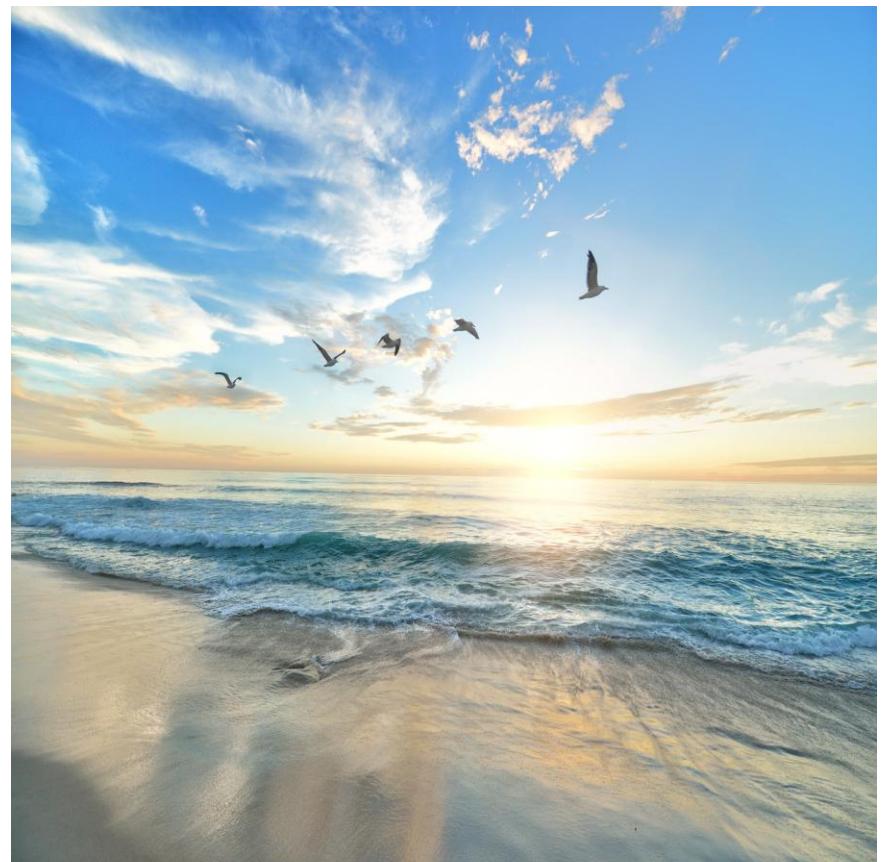


# WELCOME TO GRACE UNITED CHURCH



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If you are not able to join us in person or want to watch the service again, watch on YouTube. Service from the previous week will be shown on COGECO channel 13 or 700HD at 10:30 am Sunday mornings.

**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

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### Director of Music

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

### Office Administrator

Laurie Cadue

**January 18, 2026**

**Second After Epiphany**

**Worship Leader, Tammy Fergusson LLWL**

### We Gather as A Grateful People

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

**Welcome:** Joan MacKinnon

### Land Acknowledgment

One: Grace United Church takes seriously the commitments made to First Nations communities throughout 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

"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much" - Helen Keller

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

#### Call to Worship *Adopted from Psalm 40*

There is hope, as we patiently wait for God's Call.  
For God listens and hears us. There is trust,  
As God draws us up in times of trouble.

There is security,  
As God places our feet upon the rock.  
A new Song of Praise will be sung,  
As our gratitude multiplies.  
Happy are we to put our hope and trust in God.

#### Gathering Hymn: Voices United #395

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

#### Prayer of the Day

All: **Compassionate God,**  
**We come together in this space of trust**  
**and security;**  
**Each of us with our own lives and diverse**  
**experiences.**  
**We come together to hear your word,**  
**to feel your presence,**  
**And to listen for your invitation.**  
**Let us be united in our learning of your**  
**wisdom today.**

## We Reflect on the Sacred Stories

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

Sticks in a bundle are unbreakable - African Proverb

### Youth and Young At Heart Prayer Responsive

One: How very good and pleasant it is,

**All: To be at this church and with this church family.**

One: How very good and pleasant it is,

**All: To live in peace, harmony and unity.**

One: How very good and pleasant it is,

**All: To live where neighbours respect one another.**

One: How very good and pleasant it is,

**All: To live like a bundle that cannot be broken.**

One: O Loving God, we pray that your Kingdom will come here on Earth,

**All: Where your people and nations can live as one.**

Amen

### Song of Illumination Voices United #574

#### *Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love*

#### **Scripture Reader: Dave Charles**

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

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

#### **Scripture Reading: John 1: 29-42**

#### **John Testifies About Jesus**

<sup>29</sup> The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel."

<sup>32</sup> Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. <sup>33</sup> And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."<sup>[a]</sup>

#### **John's Disciples Follow Jesus**

<sup>35</sup> The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!"

<sup>37</sup> When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?"

<sup>39</sup> "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

<sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter<sup>[b]</sup>).

**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: Lord, Can You Hear Us Praying? -**

Price/Besig

**Morning Message:** Being Christ's Apprentice ...  
Tammy Fergusson

## We Respond to God's Grace

### Hymn of Assurance: Voices United #567

#### ***Will You Come and Follow Me***

### Prayers of Hope and Healing

### Lord's Prayer: (Sung) Voices United #960

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: Mountains of Service

### Invitation to Offering

### The Offering Will Now Be Received

### Offertory Hymn #541

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures high and low;  
give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Words: Thomas Ken ca. 1674

Music: Genevan Psalter 1551

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### Offertory Prayer

**Thank you God**

**For the opportunities to be your presence, your attentiveness and your message of love. Thank you for making us for community and for sharing our gifts in the community around us. Thank you for this particular community. Bless all we give and all we receive, and bless all people with your loving words.**

Whitney Bruno. *Gathering Worship*. 2026, pg. 70

### **God Sends Us Into The World To Be The Church**

#### Hymn of Going Forth: Voices United #563

***Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore***

### Commissioning

### Choral Blessing: Go Now In Peace

**Go now in peace, never be afraid.**

**God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.**

**Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true**

**Know God will guide you in all you do.**

**Go now in love, and show you believe.**

**Reach out to others so all the world can see.**

**God will there watching from above.**

**Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen, Amen, Amen.**

Words: Don Besig, Nancy Price. Music: Don Besig

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**Postlude: Menuet in D - G.F. Handel**



### 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.***

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Thank you to our Worship Leader this morning, Tammy Fergusson. Tammy will be with us again next Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

## 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 to Cliff.

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

### **Offerings – December 2025**

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benev. (SGM)	White Gift
Dec. 7	27	\$1474.50	\$ 137.50	\$ 37.50	\$ 100.00
Dec. 14	46	\$1497.50	\$147.50	\$ 27.50	\$ 640.00
Dec. 21	54	\$ 6099.00	\$ 389.00	\$ 529.00	\$ 150.00
Dec. 24	71	\$ 50.00		\$ 1186.25	
Dec. 28		\$ 1822.50	\$ 122.50		
BMO		\$550.00	\$25.00	\$75.00	
PAR		\$ 1610.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 20.00	

### **Offerings – January 2026**

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benev. (SGM)
Jan 4	27	\$1194.00	\$ 129.00	\$29.00
Jan 11	25	\$ 1492.50	\$ 147.50	\$ 27.50
Jan 18				
Jan 25				
BMO				
PAR				

Thank you for your generosity.

**Nominations for Grace United Church Board and Committees are currently being received. Nominations will be taken up to and including the February 15 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.**

**Thank you for your  
White Gift Donations, Totaling \$890.00  
Baby Shower for Jesus cash Donations were  
\$410.00**

**These donations are being used to purchase gift cards for grocery stores which will be given to the local Police Department and Health United to distribute to those in need.**

### **Schedule for Guest Speakers**

January 25 – Tammy Fergusson

February 1<sup>st</sup> – Paul Whiteley

February 8<sup>th</sup> – Elaine Farley

February 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> – Tammy Fergusson

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Paul Whiteley

March 8<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Stephan Shay

March 15<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Erin Burns

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Rev. Stephan Shay

March 29<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Erin Burns

### Notice to Church Boards

All reports from Church Board & Groups are due January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please send reports by email to the church office as a Word & Pdf attachment. This will allow me to format the documents for the Annual Report.

#### Reports Needed.

1. Official Board
2. Stewards & Budget
3. Session
4. Ministry & Personnel
5. Choir Report & Financial
6. UCW Report & Financial
7. Pie Makers
8. Fundraising
9. Worship Team
10. Trustees & Financial
11. The Way Forward Committee
12. Maintenance
13. Lay Minister
14. Mission & Service
15. Benevolent (SGM)
16. Rental Coordinator
17. Memorial Fund

## "My Heart Will Go On"

A musical celebration of Famous Movie Themes

Featuring

**HAYLEY MILLER**

Joined by an 8-piece band.



with guest Cliff Edwards...

**SATURDAY JANUARY 24th**

**7:30pm**

**GRACE UNITED CHURCH**

**Advance Tickets \$25.00**

available at "Beggar's Banquet Books",  
"Gananoque Visitors Centre" and Grace United Church  
(\$30.00 at the door)

Join them as they perform those great songs from the  
movies, "Breakfast at Tiffany's" "A Star Is Born",  
"Casablanca", "The Bodyguard" and "Titanic