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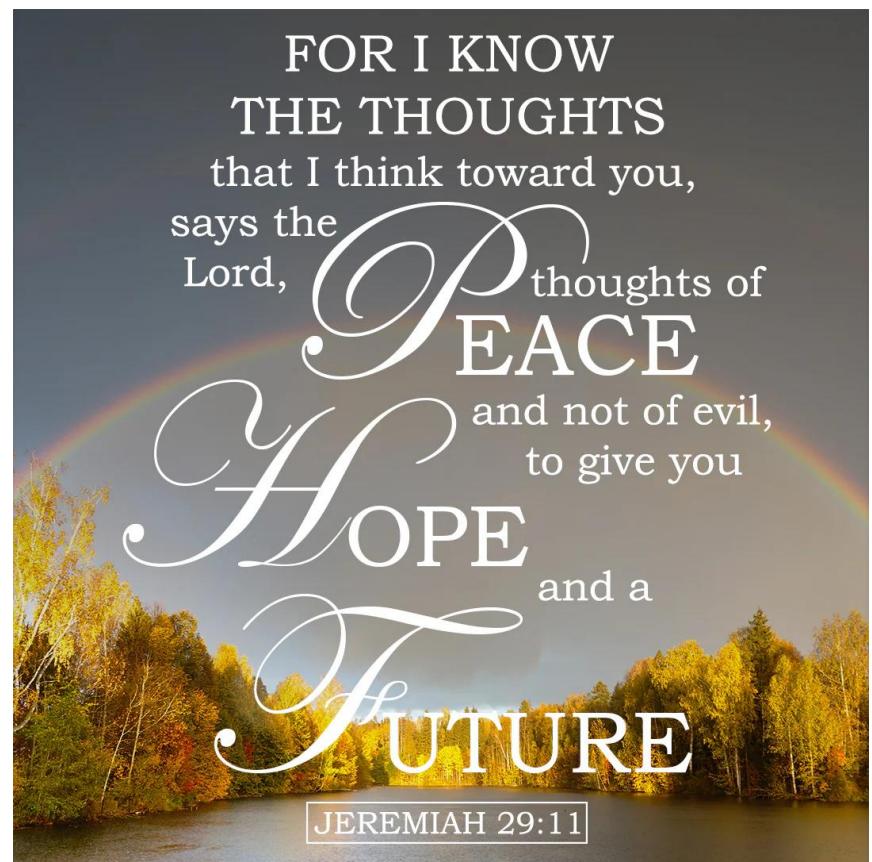
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If you are not able to join us in person or want to watch the service again, watch on YouTube. Service from the previous week will be shown on COGECO channel 13 or 700HD at 10:30 am Sunday mornings.

PLEASE – check to doors when you leave.

With the cold weather, snow & ice, the doors are not always latching. Push the door shut and give it pull from the outside.

**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

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January 25, 2026

Third After Epiphany

Tammy Fergusson, LLWL

We Gather as A Grateful People

Prelude: *Meditation on "Concord"*

Welcome: *Mary Haussler*

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

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Centering Music

We Centre Our Hearts for Worship

Spiritual Focus

Ring the bells that still can ring.

Forget your perfect offering.

There is a crack in everything,
that's how the light gets in.

- *Anthem* by Leonard Cohen

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship *Psalm 27:4-9 (Responsive)*

One: We will live in the House of the Lord,
All the days of our lives.

All: *For God's love will shelter us,
In the days where there is trouble.*

One: And God's protection conceals us,
Under the shelter of God's tent.

All: *For God sets us high on a rock,
Above all that we may fear.*

One: "Come, let us seek God's face",

All: *As we praise and serve
The One Most High.*

Gathering Hymn: *Voices United #679*

Let There Be Light

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Prayer of the Day

All: **Holy and Loving God,**
We come tired and carry the burdens
from this week.
We come seeking your face,
and seeking your love.
We come in search of the many forms of light,
That You shine in the gloomy places
of this life.
In this moment Holy One,
Open our hearts to the Mystery of Your Love.
No longer do we need to turn away,
But turn towards Your Love and Light.

We Reflect on the Sacred Stories

A Time for the Youth and Young At Heart

Light Comes In Many Forms

Youth and Young At Heart Prayer

All: **Creator God,**
No matter how many trips we have made
around the sun,
You never cease to surprise us with your
wonder.
Thank you for the many spectrums of light
that shine through the prisms.
Thank you for the diverse colours
that make up the rainbows.
Thank you for shining Your Light

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into our lives,
Raising our spirits,
and rejuvenating our energy,
So that we in turn can following Your Light.

Song of Illumination: Voices United #562

Jesus Calls Us

The choir will sing the first verse of this new tune;
Then please stand and sing all verses.

Scripture Reading

Scripture Reader: Denise Wood

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,
All: Our ears and hearts are open.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4: 12-23

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Galilee

¹² Now when Jesus^[a] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵ "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles—

¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness

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have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of
death
light has dawned."

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."^[b]

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. ¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus Ministers to Crowds of People

²³ Jesus^[c] went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news^[d] of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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 Leadeth Me - arr. Janelle Clarke

Morning Message:

God's Light Still Shines! - *Tammy Fergusson*

We Respond to God's Grace

Song of Assurance: Voices United #409

Morning Has Broken

Prayers of Hope and Healing

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

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.**

International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Invitation to Offering

A beloved song by Leonard Cohen reminds us that there is no perfect offering, that everything has a crack that allows the light to enter. We gather and bring our offerings. Even though our gifts may seem paltry, each one does represent work and struggles and possibilities. We pray that in their imperfection, they may still offer significant hope and light that shines through the world's cracks, and shines through us in our act of sharing. We share the Message of Christ with your donations that can be given in the Offering Plates provided, through PAR or by going online at www.canadahelps.org

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

All: Generous God,

**We give you back a portion of what
you have blessed us with.**

Bless these gifts and use them to further

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**your work in this church,
This community and around the world.
May our gifts multiply and nurture
Your Creation.**

Lynn McCaw, Gathering Worship. 2026. Pg 46,

God Sends Us Into The World To Be The Church

Hymn of Going Forth: Voices United #651

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Commissioning: 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.

Blessing

Threefold Amen (All)

Postlude: Te Deum - Charpentier

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 Belated Birthday to Marjory.

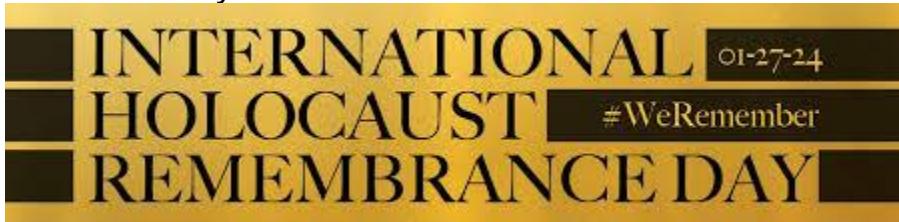
Would you like your Birthday or Anniversary added to our announcements contact Laurie at the church Office and give her the details.

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	25	\$ 837.50	\$ 177.50	\$ 25.00
Jan 25				
BMO				
PAR				

Thank you for your generosity.

According to the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, January 27, 2026 in the International Holocaust Remembrance Day. In recognition of this day, the display window in the Sanctuary has been designed to reflect on this emotional day. Please have a look.



Official Board Meeting Notice

Official Board/Feb. 11 at 11:30am (bagged lunch)
Annual General Meeting – Feb.15 at 1pm

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 to our Worship Leader this morning, Tammy Fergusson. Next Sunday, February 1st, Paul Whiteley will lead our service.

Schedule for Guest Speakers

February 1st – Paul Whiteley

February 8th – Elaine Farley

February 15th & 22nd – Tammy Fergusson

March 1st – Paul Whiteley

March 8th – Rev. Stephan Shay

March 15th – Rev. Erin Burns

March 22nd – Rev. Stephan Shay

March 29th – Rev. Erin Burns