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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

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Director of Music

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

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October 18, 2026

World Food Sunday

Paul Whiteley, LLWL

We Gather as A Grateful People

Prelude: *Meditation on "Holiness"*

Welcome: Vicki 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

Centring Music *We Centre Our Hearts for Worship.*

Spiritual Focus

"As you have been loved – love.

As you have been welcomed – welcome.

AS you have been fed – feed.

As you have received – give."

– Canadian Foodgrains Bank

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship (Unison)

In the darkest valley, at the banquet table;

In the hard work of life, at the moments of ease;

In our day-to-day reality, at times set aside –

Like this time, now –

For worship, for listening, for paying attention;

With every step we take:

Goodness and mercy follow us; our cups overflow.

-by Joanna Harder, www.spaciousfaith.com, 2020

Song of Praise: More Voices #1

Let us Build a House

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Gracious God,

In Love You open wide the doors

and welcome us into your presence –

saints and sinners alike.

**You spread a table before us,
filled with the richest fare –
a feast of love and mercy for the body and soul.
We come with joy to meet You here,
to taste and see Your goodness,
to celebrate Your grace and mercy in our lives.
May Your Spirit inspire our praise and
thanksgiving, our payers and petitions, as we
worship together in Your presence. Amen.**

*From Re-worship.blogspot.com, Christine Longhurst, 2011, lightly
abridged*

We Reflect on the Sacred Stories

Learning Together

Hymn of the Month: Voices United #625
I Feel the Winds of God

Scripture Reader: Chuck Galway

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

First Reading: Matthew 22:1–14

Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

⁴ "Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.'

⁵ "But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. ⁶ The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

⁸ "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. ⁹ So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' ¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. ¹² He asked, 'How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?' The man was speechless.

¹³ "Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

¹⁴ "For many are invited, but few are chosen."

Here ends the first reading.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1–9

Closing Appeal for Steadfastness and Unity

⁴ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

² I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Final Exhortations

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Thanks for Their Gifts

¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

¹⁴ Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. ¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. ¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. ¹⁸ I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Final Greetings

²¹ Greet all God's people in Christ Jesus. The brothers and sisters who are with me send greetings. ²² All God's people here send you greetings, especially those who belong to Caesar's household.

²³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen

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: *Because He Lives* - Wm. Gaither

Morning Message: A Banquet for All

We Respond to God's Grace

Song of Assurance: Voices United # 412

This is the Day, This is the Day

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: *A Circle of Twelve*

Invitation to Offering

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

The Offering is Received

Offertory Hymn: Voices United #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

Public domain.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God Sends Us into the World To Be The Church

Closing Song: More Voices #145

Draw the Circle Wide

Commissioning

Benediction

Choral Amen: All

Postlude: Cebel – Henry Purcell

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.

Happy Birthday to Susan B., Susan T., and Helen J.

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

Thank you to our worship leader this morning, Rev. Paul Whiteley for leading our service this morning. Next Sunday, October 25th, we will celebrate Grace United Church Anniversary. Tammy Fergusson will lead our service.

Offerings –October 2026

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benev. (SGM)
Oct 4	30	\$1029.80	\$ 225.00	\$ 25.00
Oct 11	26	\$ 1745.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 30.00
Oct 18				
Oct 25				
BMO				
PAR				

Thank you for your generosity.

Christmas Cards – The Caring & Sharing team is looking for donations of Christmas Cards. If you have unused Christmas Cards you can donate, please bring them in anytime. There is a box at the back of the Sanctuary to place the cards in.

**EDNA'S CAFÉ – returns, Wednesday,
Oct. 21st from 1:30 to 3:30pm. All are
welcome for an afternoon Tea and
sing-along.**



Edna's Musical Cafe

**A Sing-along and
Afternoon Tea**
For everyone!
A special welcome to
persons living with dementia,
and their caregivers.

October 21, 2026
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)

**ELVIS is in the house on
Sunday, October 25th at 2:30 pm.**
Come on out and enjoy some of your favourite
Elvis songs performed by Garry Wesley. Garry
has performed all over the world and is bringing
his show to Grace United Church. Opening for
Garry is Keith Kirkpatrick as Gordon Lightfoot.
Tickets for this show are \$30 available now.

GRACE UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS:

ELVIS

THE MOST
HIGHLY AWARDED
TRIBUTE IN
THE WORLD

SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25
2026
2:30 PM

THE LOOKS
THE MOVES
THE IMPECCABLE VOICE

SPECIAL GUEST -
**KEITH KIRKPATRICK
AS GORDON
LIGHTFOOT!**



STARRING
GARRY WESLEY

2:30 PM
DOORS OPEN AT 1:15 PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:
• GRACE UNITED CHURCH
• BEGGARS BANQUET BOOKS
• GANANOQUE VISITORS CENTRE

TICKETS
\$30.00

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