

#### **Grace United Church**

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**Director of Music** 

**Office Administrator** 

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

Laurie Cadue

**April 10, 2022** 

Palm/Passion Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Lent

Order of Worship

In Canada the Month of April is:

Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month

#### WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF GRACE

**Prelude:** Ride On, Ride on in Majesty - Graham George

**Welcome: Colleen Harding** 

**Community in Action – Birthdays & Anniversaries** 

**Centering Music:** We Centre Our Hearts on God's Wisdom

#### **Spiritual Focus:**

"Palm Sunday: Let the Same Mind Be in You that was in Christ Jesus"

(Please stand as able)

**Call to Worship (Responsive):** 

One: Dearly Beloved,

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest!

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#### Song of Praise: Voices United #124

"He Came Riding on a Donkey"

- He came riding on a donkey, he came riding into town; slow and easy kind of lowly he came riding with the dawn. His disciples walked beside him, staying close, a little shy; not too sure where he would guide them, on to live or on to die. But all the morning sang his praises; waking birds and dancing wind; here he is, the Son of David; riding on to take his throne.
- 2 Then the children gathered, singing shouts of laughter, bursting cheer; in the streets their song was ringing, 'Hosannas' filled the morning air. Timid adults strained to see him, caught the Spirit, joined the song; spread their cloaks along before him, branches flashing in the sun. So all the city sang his praises; waking streets and dancing crowd; here he is, the Son of David; our Messiah, Son of God.
- In our fasting, and our feasting, called to follow in his way; called to walk his road to Easter, called to live his cross today. Hosanna to the Son of David, hosanna in the heavens above; blessed is he who comes to save us, blessed is he who brings his love. Let us join to sing his praises; hearts and souls to God; he is with us, Son of David; God's Messiah, Christ the Lord.

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(Please be seated)



#### **Invitation to Confession:**

# **Prayer of Confession (All):**

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for Jesus, our teacher, example and friend to follow. Sometimes, even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace, who walks humbly in our midst. As we enter this Holy Week, may we enter a new way of living and loving. Amen.

# **Declaration of Forgiveness**

#### WE SEEK WISDOM

(Please stand as able)

Song of Illumination: Voices United # 376

"Spirit of the Living God"

- Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
   Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
   Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
   Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
- Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love: humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
   Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!

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**Epistle Reading**: Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSV)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Anthem:** Shout to the King "Hosanna" - Mark Patterson

**Grace United Church Choir** 

**Life Lesson:** "BE LIKE Christ...The Prince of Peace..."

#### WE SEEK PEACE & COMMUNION

(Please remain seated)

Special Music: In the Name of the Lord

**Soloist: Mary-Jo Maur** 

Words: Gloria Gaither, Phill McHugh, Sandi Patty

Music: Sandi Patty

# **Prayers of the People**

# The Prayer of Jesus: Voice 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 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 and the power and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

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#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

# WE OFFICIALLY WELCOME MEMBERS TO THIS COMMUNITY OF FAITH

**Chuck Galway** (Transfer of Membership) **Veronica Alice Shepherd** (Profession of Faith)

### **Statement of Purpose**

One: The church is a community of people with varied gifts, united by the Holy Spirit...of the church of Jesus Christ.

#### **Presentation**

#### **Commitment of New Member**

# **Congregational Commitment**

One: Dear friends... our love, care and support.

(Please stand as able)

All: As your brothers and sisters in Christ, we rejoice in the gifts you bring to us. We pledge to you our love, care and our support. With God's help, we will together live out the mission and ministry of Jesus.

One: Together as one family let us say our corporate profession of faith.

A New Creed <sup>1</sup> (All):

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. AMEN!

<sup>1.</sup> The United Church of Canada, General Council 1968, alt.

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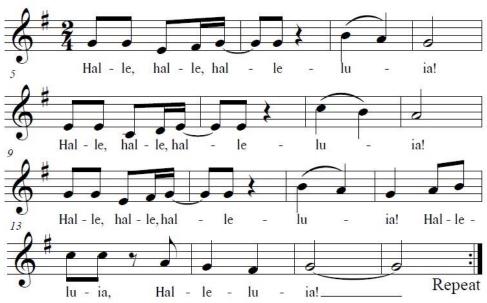
# **Welcome / Presentation of Certificate**





# **Song of Celebration Voices United Page 958**

"Halle, Halle, Halle"



Words: trad. liturgical text

Music: anon., arr. The Iona Community 1890, Public Domain

### **Our Offerings Make Miracles Evident**

We Give Generously with Joy and Gratitude to Help Make Miracles Visible.

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All):**

Holy One,

we give you thanks for the great deeds of deliverance that you have done and continue to do.

Bless these offerings of thanksgiving that they may further Your Love in this world. Amen.



(Please stand as able)

# **Going Forth: Voices United #123**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

- 1. Hosanna, loud hosanna the happy children sang; through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang; to Jesus, who had bless them close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
- 2. From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd, the victory palm-branch waving, and singing clear and loud; the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, content that little children should on his bidding wait.
- 3. "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer; earth, let your anthems ring. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his humble presence eternally rejoice!

Words: Jennette Threlfall 1873

Music: trad. 18th-century German tune, adapt. Xavier Ludwig Hartig 1868

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#### **Sending Forth & Benediction**

# **Choral Amen**

**Postlude:** Hosanna, Loud Hosanna - James Pethel





April 24, 2015, marked the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armenian Genocide.

The Canadian Parliament passed Motion **M-587** and declared the **month of April as Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month** and declared April 24 as

Armenian Genocide Memorial Day.



#### +++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 all those who are celebrating this week. Welcome to our new members we look forward to getting to know you better.

Would you like your Birthday or Anniversary added to our announcements? Please contact Laurie at the church Office and give her the details. Birthdays or Anniversaries can only be added with your written consent.

#### Pravers for the people



Remember in your prayers all those who are in hospital, recovering at home and those who may need our comfort, guidance, and support.

\*\*Please notify the church office if there is someone you know who is ill, in hospital or in need of pastoral care. \*\*

# Offerings - April 3, 2022 - Attendance: 48

	Sunday
General	\$ 627.00
Mission & Service	\$ 282.00
Local Missions	\$ 10.00
Lent	\$ 30.00

# Thank you for your offerings

#### PLEASE WRITE YOUR NAME & AMOUNT ON YOUR ENVELOPE

There are many ways you can partner up with God's Mission through Grace United Church and help make a difference.

e-transfer to grace.gan@outlook.com

by cheque -120 Pine ST. Gananoque, On K7G 1C7

Sign-up for PAR Forms

https://united-church.ca/sites/default/files/form\_par-

authorization.pdf

by Credit Card through CanadaHelps.

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/118944701RR0001-grace-united-church/



Grace United Church has an Assistive Hearing System which may help you hear the service better. There are presently 4 units available. You may use headphones supplied by the church or,

even better, your own personal earbuds. Any earbuds are compatible, whether they came with your cell phone or some other device. If your hearing aid has a telephone "T" setting, the units may connect directly to your aids. If you are having any trouble hearing what's said in church, please consider using one of these units. They are in the back South-East corner of the church, and there are simple instructions with them. If you would like to experiment with one of these units outside church-time, contact Paul Harding to make an appointment.

#### **Contact information:**

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The 2022 Directory will be available soon

Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> – 10:30am Service – Palm Sunday Welcome New Members Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm – UCW meeting in the Hall (please wear a mask)

Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm Service – Maundy/Holy Thursday

Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> – Walk of the Cross – beginning at Christ Church

Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday/Communion

10:30 am Service

Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> – 10:30 am Service - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter

# **Important Information**

We are back in the Sanctuary!!

We ask that everyone wear a mask unless seated and to wear one while singing. The policy will be reviewed again in a few weeks.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Service will also be shown live on YouTube.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNVYi-R3mmIG7LnX1jKJnEg https://www.facebook.com/GraceUnitedChurchGananogue

The service from the previous week will be shown on COGECO channel 13 or 700HD at 10:30 am Sunday mornings.

# Legion Brunch Today 9 to 12:30 Pop over to the Legion after service for a delicious brunch.



This Community of Faith acknowledges all traditional territories, all ceded and unceded lands that we live upon - and give thanks for all the generations of people who have taken care of these lands before us and still do with us today. May we be open to historical truths and may we continue to learn from the past, shape our present time and build a better world with All People.



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