

Grace United Church

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Pentecost - Order of Worship

June is National Indigenous History Month

WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF GRACE



Prelude: "Wayfaring Stranger", author unknown ca. 1850

Welcome – Mary Haussler

Community in Action – Birthdays & Anniversaries

Centering Music: We Centre Our Hearts on God's Love

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Spiritual Focus:

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of hosts."

Zechariah 4:6

Call to Worship (Armenian): Ps. 104:24, 30, 33

How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. You send forth your spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

(Please stand as able)

Song of Praise: Voices United #375

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,

blow thro' the wilderness calling and free, Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing: wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,

blow thro' the wilderness calling and free, Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.

2 You swept thro' the desert, you stung with the sand, and you goaded your people with a law and a land; and when they were blinded with their idols and lies, then you spoke thro' your prophets to open their eyes.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,

blow thro' the wilderness calling and free, Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea. You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill, then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still; and down in the city you called once again, when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow thro' the wilderness calling and free, Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes, from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams, our women see visions, our men clear their eyes, with bold new decisions your people arise.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow thro' the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness,
Wind, Wind on the sea.

(Please be seated)

Prayer of the Day (All) (French):

Holy God, who comes to us in breath, visits us from the throne of heaven, and sets us aflame with amazement and joy, you open our paths to new visions and guide our feet deeper into your wisdom. Give us faith to trust your presence, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(Please remain seated)

Song of Illumination: Voices United # 382

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

- Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
- 2. Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure, until my will is one with thine, to do and to endure.
- 3. Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
- 4. Breathe on me, breath of God: so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.



Scripture Reader: Elaine Davidson

Gospel of John14:8-17 & 25-27 (NRSV)

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Anthem : "There's Something About that Name"
William J, Gaither & Gloria Gaither & "His Name is Wonderful" Audrey Mieir

Life Lesson: "Greater Works than These!"



WE SEEK PEACE & COMMUNION

(Please stand as able)

Song of Hope & Healing: Voices United # 664

"What a Friend We have in Jesus"

- What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
 O what peace we often forfeit,
 O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.
- Have we trials and temptations?
 Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged;
 take it to the Lord in prayer.

 Can we find a friend so faithful,
 who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our every weakness;
 take it to the Lord in prayer.
- Are we weak and heavy laden,
 cumbered with a load of care?
 Christ the Saviour is our refuge;
 take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do our friends despise, forsake us?
 Are we tempted to despair?
 Jesus' strength will shield our weakness,
 and we'll find new courage there.

(Please be seated)

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Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus taught his followers (ALL)

(from the Aramaic translation)

Loving Presence, luminous in all creation, hallowed be your name.

Thy Kin-dom come.

May we reflect on earth the yielding perfection of the heavens.

Help us to receive an illumined measure from the earth this day.

Forgive us when we trespass against others,

human and other-than-human,

as we forgive others who trespass against us.

Keep us on the path of wisdom

when we are tempted to take the selfish path.

May it be your rule we follow, your power we exercise, and your radiance that allures.

May this be the truth that guides our lives, the ground from which our future will grow, until we meet again. **Amen.**



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Your Generosity Matters "Your Gifts Support Displaced People in Ukraine" Dave Charles

Our Offerings Make Miracles Evident

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All):

Make us thankful every day, O God, for the gifts that alight upon us from your bounty. Guide us to use these offerings to your glory for the health of your people and this creation. **Amen.**

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD TO BE THE CHURCH

(Please stand as able)

Going Forth: Voices United #509

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain,

I have wept for love of them; they turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,

I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

Sending Forth (Responsive):

One: God did not leave us helpless after Jesus, God sent the Holy Spirit to nurture faith and love in this world through us.

All: We go forth in the name of Eternal Love to bring, Hope, Joy and Compassion to the world.

Benediction: Rev. Takouhi (Armenian)

AND NOW... May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God the Father, and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you All. Today and Always. **Amen.**

Choral Amen

Postlude: "What a Wonderful World" George Davie Weiss & Bob Thiele 1968



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 Tammy Fergusson, Mel Worth and Tom Currie Happy 37th Anniversary to Tammy & Angus Fergusson

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.

Prayers 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 – May 22, 2022 - Attendance: 35

General

\$ 737.00

Mission & Service \$ 452.00

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/



The United Church Women (UCW) are making ribbon pins for Ukraine. The pins will be available on Sunday mornings for a donation beginning May 22nd.

Fundscrip Gift Cards orders can be placed anytime and shipped right to your home. All you need to do is set up an account and use the invitation code AU3PXP to connect with Grace United. Gift cards make great gifts and are also away to keep your everyday spending on a budget. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Brooks, Denise Wood or Laurie Cadue. We appreciate your continued support.

Church Name Tags

Would you like a name tag? An order will be placed June 30th
(Cost = New members free – replacement \$5)

If you would like one, let Laurie know.

Call the office at 613-382-2161.

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.



(Picture: Credit to Indigenous Ministries and Justice – The United Church of Canada)

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The 2022 Directory will be available soon

Sunday, June 12th – 10:30 am Service – Trinity Sunday

Covenanting Service with Rev. Takouhi.

Preacher, Rev. Rosemary Lambie

Sunday, June 19th – 10:30 am Service – Father's Day

Worship Leader – Barb DeJeet

Important Information

Service will also be shown live on YouTube.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNVYi-R3mmlG7LnX1jKJnEg https://www.facebook.com/GraceUnitedChurchGananoque

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