
Bulletin Dedications

This week's bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of Janet Harding, who was an enthusiastic member of Grace United Church her entire life, as a member of the Choir, the Session, the Sunday School and Church Historian.

**Fondly remembered by sons,
Paul & John Harding and families.**

**The bulletin this week is dedicated in loving memory of daughter and sister,
Sharon Price 1956-2021
Always loved and never forgotten
Mother, Merna Price
Brother, Dr. Brian Price**

**This week's bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of dearest parents and lifelong, Grace United Church Members:
Ruth Margaret Tindal
1925 - 2014
and
Thomas Howard Arlington Tindal
1926 - 2023.
Always in our hearts, forever cherished and dearly missed.
Loving Daughters, Deborah Tindal and Susan Tindal,
Beloved Son, Michael Tindal & Family**

**WELCOME
TO
GRACE UNITED CHURCH**



Credit: P. Rogers- UCC

***Where Everyone is Part of the Family
&***

Worship is a Lifestyle NOT an Event

***(Remember to pass this bulletin to someone else
You never know how you will Bless them)***



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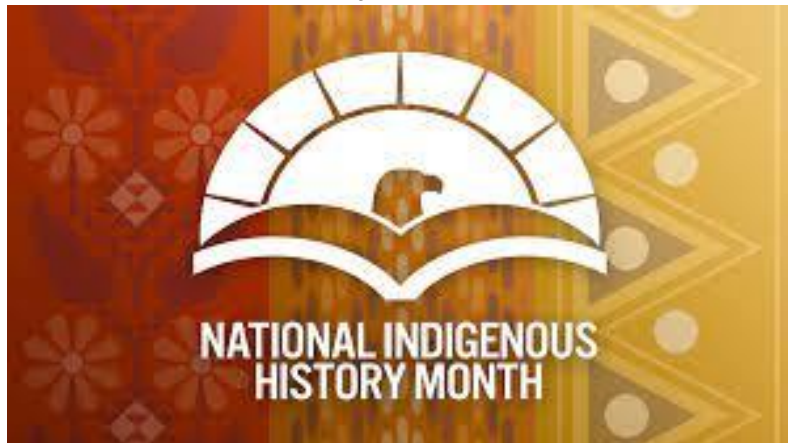
June 16, 2024 - Father's Day

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

Indigenous Sunday of Prayer

*All My Relations*¹



WE GATHER AS A RESURRECTION PEOPLE

Prelude: *Meditation on "Finlandia" - Jean Sibelius*

Welcome – Colleen Harding

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¹ Portions of this worship are from the resources of UCC - Indigenous Day of Prayer Service 2022: All My Relations – June 5, 2024

Land Acknowledgement (Responsive):

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 & Anniversaries

Centering Music: *We Center Our Hearts for Worship.*

Spiritual Focus:

"There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 3:28



Lighting the Christ Candle

We light this candle. May its light guide us to truth talking and to travelling good paths. May we in turn share the light with those we meet until it spreads to all peoples worldwide. *(The Christ candle is lit.)*

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: In the presence of Creator, we gather:

All: People carrying burdens we may not know about looking for comfort; folks needing their spirits refreshed.

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One: We draw together hoping for that touch that will enliven us,
longing to be embraced in arms of love and understanding.

**All: Help us to put aside our differences and see the earth as you
see it, boundary-free.**

One: You call us all: babies, toddlers on unsteady feet, school-age
children with curious minds, teens with questing spirits, full of
youthful confidence one moment and like frightened children the
next.

**All: We are called, as adults trying to take good paths watching
out for the next generations, and those easing into their
winter years passing on our teachings.**

One: We are all kin in this meeting place whether we gather in person
or through technology, our spirits joining to say meegwetch for
all that we have been blessed with.

**All: Thanks be to God for the goodness in our lives.
Amen.**

Opening Prayer (All): All-encompassing God, you
who called creation out of chaos. You breathed
the sacred word Ruah (breath, Spirit) and life
came into being. Your magnificence is a Holy
Mystery that we are too human to be able to
comprehend.

We give thanks for that which is beyond our
comprehension. It allows us to dream and imagine. We give
all praise and glory to you, Most Holy, for holding us in all the seasons
of our days, to love, and to cherish, in this life, and in everlasting life.
We are in awe of our covenanted love and journey with you. **Amen.**

(Please stand as able)



Gathering Song: More Voices #1

"Let Us Build a House – All Are Welcome"

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of
grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong
and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign
anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's
grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and
stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word
they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of
God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions
heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within
the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and
songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place

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(Please be seated)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Time with Youth and Young at Heart

"Each Piece is Part of the BIG Picture..."

Song of Illumination: More Voices #154

"Deep In Our Hearts"

1. Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;
deep in our hearts there is a common song;
deep in our hearts there is a common story,
telling Creation that we are one.
2. Deep in our hearts there is a common purpose;
deep in our hearts there is a common goal;
deep in our hearts there is a sacred message,
justice and peace in harmony.
3. Deep in our hearts there is a common longing;
deep in our hearts there is a common theme;
deep in our hearts there is a common current,
flowing to freedom like a stream.
4. Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;
deep in our hearts there is a common song;
deep in our hearts there is a common story,
telling Creation that we are one.



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Scripture Reader: Gary Seidl

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Paraphrase of Psalm 106:1–5:

Praise our Creator! O Meegwetch give thanks to the Maker,
for Turtle Island nurtures us; love lives forever in ancestors dancing in
the aurora borealis.

Who can truth talk the mighty doings of the Creator or drum all their
praises?

Joyful are those who observe justice, who work for right relations at all
times.

Remember me, O Great Spirit, when you show honour to your people.
Help us when you lead us into places of protection.

We see the grateful hunting of creatures, generous gathering, and
abundant harvest
and prosperity of our kin, that we may dance in the ceremonies of our
nation's people,
that we may glory in your ancestry.

All my relations.

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: *One More Mountain to Climb* - Neil Sedaka
Soloist: Cliff Edwards

Life Lesson: *"Untied & United"*

(Please remain seated)

Song of Assurance: Voices United #652

"Be Still My Soul"

- 1 Be still, my soul, for God is on your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Trust in your God, your saviour and your guide,
who through all changes faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul, your best, your heavenly friend
through stormy ways leads to a peaceful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul, your God will undertake
to guide the future surely as the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul, life's tempests still obey
the voice that once the waves' wild fury stayed.
- 3 Be still, my soul, the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever in God's peace;
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
love's joys restored, our strivings all shall cease.
Be still, my soul, when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer of Jesus (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: *Rainbow Camp is Welcoming*

Invitation to Offer Ourselves, Finances, Gifts and Talents to God



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

Our Offerings are Received – *Organ music*

(Please stand as able)

Offertory Song: Voices United #545

"You Nourish Us" (Tune: Amazing Grace)

You nourish us with food, O God, for body and for soul;
our love and service is our thanks,
for life that's free and whole,
for life that's free and whole.

Words: Flora Litt and Wayne Irwin 1979

Music: from Virginia Harmony 1831, harm. Adriano Secco

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication (All):

We return some of the abundance of our lives to share with others who need a caring touch. Here is the work of our hands, and here is the love of our hearts. Accept them and use them, through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

(Please be seated)



GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD TO BE THE CHURCH

(Please stand as able)

Song of Going Forth: Voices United #606

"In Christ there is No East or West"

- 1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great family of love
throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 In him shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.
- 3 Join hands, then, people of the faith,
whate'er your race may be;
all children of the living God
are surely kin to me.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north;
all Christ-like souls are one in him
throughout

Words: John Oxenab, 1908, alt.

Music: "St. Peter" Alexander Robert Reinagle ca. 1830
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Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude: *Menuet from "Water Music" - 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.

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 Nancy & Eileen

Happy Anniversary to 42nd Brian & Susan

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

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 Rev. Takouhi or the church office if there is someone you know who is in need or a visit, in hospital or any other needs.

NOTE – Due to privacy laws and confidentiality, the names of people on our list are not printed in the Order of Service.

MAKE SURE YOUR NAME & THE AMOUNT ARE ON YOUR DONATION

ENVELOPES. 2024 Envelopes are out and ready for pick up.

If you would like envelopes, there is a sign-up sheet available on the table in the Narthex.

Offerings June 2024

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benevolent (SGM)
June 2	30	\$697.50	\$187.50	\$20.00
June 9	0	No Power – worship with Lansdowne United		
June 16				
June 23				
June 29				
PAR				
BMO				

Thank you for your generosity.

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

120 Pine ST. Gananoque, On K7G 1C7,
e-transfer to grace.gan@outlook.com

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) Forms are located on the table in the Narthex.

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/>

Humankind – June 22, 2024 @ 2 p.m.

Joel Stone Park

A 45-minute experience through movement and music of the story of the 117.5 million displaced persons in the world today.

Organized by Deb Donaldson. 613-453-4190

Thursday, June 20th – don't miss this concert!!

Grace United Church
 120 Pine St., Gananoque
 Presents,
"Triola Trio"



"Melodia"
Thursday, June 20th
7:30pm
 a delightful evening of
 string music and a harmony
 of beautiful voices.

Tickets are \$15/per person
 Available at
 Gananoque Visitors Centre, 10 King St. E
 Beggars Banquet Books, 126 King St. E.
 Grace United Church 613-382-2161
 Or Online through Canada Helps.
 (Visit our Website or Facebook page for the link)

UCW Potluck

The annual UCW potluck will be held this coming **Monday June 17th** at noon at Christina Gordon's trailer at Misty Isles Campground.

Bring a lawn chair, plate, silverware and a dish to share.
 ALL ladies of the congregation are welcome.

Coming up this week at Grace United....

Sunday, June 16 10:30 am Worship	Office Closed Worship Leader, Tammy Fergusson
Monday, June 17	Office 8am – 1pm
Tuesday, June 18 9am – 12pm 9am – 12pm 1:30 pm	Office 8am – 1pm Quilters Pies Knitters
Wednesday, June 19 4:00pm	Office Closed Stewards Meeting
Thursday, June 20 11:00am 7:30pm	Office 8am – 1pm Carveth Service Triola Trio & Melodia Concert
Friday, June 21	Office 8am – 1pm
Saturday, June 22	Office Closed
Sunday, June 23	Office Closed Worship Leader: Rev. Takouhi

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