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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
&***

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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August 17, 2025

Order of Worship

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Leader, Laura Webb

WE GATHER AS A GRATEFUL PEOPLE

Prelude: *Meditation on "Faithfulness"* - Wm. Runyan

Welcome – Diane Nuttall

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

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever.

Amen. - Ephesians 3:20-21

Lighting the Christ Candle



Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses—
those who have gone before us, trusting in the Lord.

All: We give thanks for God's faithfulness through every generation!

One: Let us throw off every weight and the sin that clings so closely,
and run with perseverance the race set before us.

All: We look to Jesus
the pioneer and perfecter of our faith!

One: He endured the cross, disregarding its shame,
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

All: With grateful hearts, we lift our eyes to Him,
for the One who began a good work in us will bring it to completion.

Together: Come, let us worship the Lord
faithful yesterday, today, and forever!

(Please stand as able)

**Gathering Song of Praise: *More Voices # 1,*
*Let us Build a House***

(Please be seated)

Prayer of the Day:

WE REFLECT ON THE SACRED STORIES

**Hymn of Illumination: *Voices United # 288*
*Great is Thy Faithfulness***

Time for Youth and Young at Heart: *Story Time*

Scripture Reader: *Vicki Leakey*

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2. NASB

By faith they passed through the Red Sea as through dry land; and the Egyptians, when they attempted it, were drowned.

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after *the Israelites* had marched around them for seven days. By faith the prostitute Rahab did not perish along with those who were disobedient, after she had welcomed the spies in peace.

And what more shall I say? For time will fail me if I tell

of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who by faith conquered kingdoms, performed *acts of righteousness*, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received *back* their dead by resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection; and others experienced mocking and flogging, and further, chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented (*people of whom the world was not worthy*), wandering in deserts, *on* mountains, and *sheltering in* caves and holes in the ground.

And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised, because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect. Jesus, the Example

Therefore, since we also have such a great cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let's rid ourselves of every obstacle and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let's run with endurance the race that is set before

us, looking only at Jesus, the originator and perfecter of the faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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.

Ministry of Music:

Sermon: *Called to Keep on Running!*



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Hymn of Assurance: **Voices United # 333,**
Love Divine

Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus taught his followers (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:

Ladles of Love



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 – Music

(Please stand as able)

Offertory Hymn: **Voices United # 541**

Praise God from Who All Blessings Flow?

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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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

(Please be seated)

**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD
TO BE THE CHURCH**

(Please stand as able)

Hymn of Going Forth: Voices United # 642
Be Thou My Vision

Sending Forth & Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude: St. Anthony Chorale - F.J. Haydn

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.

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 this week to Michelle.

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

Next Sunday, August 24th, we will be at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church for worship.
Service begins at 10:00am.

Thank you to our guest Worship Leader this morning, Laura Webb.

OFFERINGS AUGUST 2025

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benev. (SGM)
Aug 3	12	\$ 540.00	\$ 100.00	
Aug 10	20	\$ 727.50	\$ 122.50	\$27.50
Aug 17				
Aug 24				
Aug 30				
BMO				
PAR				

Thank you for your generosity.

Turpin's Trail
Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 7:30pm
With Special Guest, Joe Sexton



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