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If you are not able to join us in person or want to watch the service again, watch on YouTube.

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

**PLEASE – check to doors when you leave.
With the cold weather, snow & ice, the doors
are not always latching. Push the door shut
and give it pull from the outside.**

**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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March 1, 2026

Second Sunday of Lent

Paul Whiteley, LLWL

We Gather as A Grateful People

Prelude: *Meditation on 'Hyfrydol'*

Welcome: Vicki Leakey

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

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

Spiritual Focus

"Strange things blow in through my window on the wings of the night wind and I don't worry about my destiny." – Carl Sandburg

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: As we travel this Lenten pathway,
we journey together, a community of faith.

All: As we travel this Way of Jesus, we journey together, but also alone.

One: Practicing our faith:

All: living Christ's call to love God with all that we are, to love our neighbour as we love ourselves.

One: Practicing our faith:

All: as stewards on the Way.

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Song of Praise: Voices United # 333

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Prayer of the Day (All)

**God of the hungry times, God of the difficult times,
God of all the times of our lives, we need to talk.**

Sometimes it's difficult to understand the direction

we need to go.
With all the choices we have in our lives,
sometimes we're not sure when to say "Yes," or
when to say "No."
So we ask for your guidance.
We ask for wisdom. We ask for Spirit.
In our worship, in our work, in our choices,
in our lives. May it be so, loving God! Amen.

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We Reflect on the Sacred Stories

Learning Together

Song of the Month: More Voices # 89

Love is the Touch

Scripture Reader: Mary Haussler

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

The Call of Abram

12 The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

² "I will make you into a great nation,

and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,

and you will be a blessing.^[a]

³ I will bless those who bless you,

and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth

will be blessed through you."^[b]

⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran.

Reader: Listen for the Sacred Story,

All: our ears and hearts are open.

Reader: Here ends the first reading.

Second Reading: John 3:1-12

Jesus Teaches Nicodemus

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

³ Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.^[a]"

⁴ "How can someone be born when they are old?"

Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"

⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit^[b] gives birth to spirit. ⁷ You should not be

surprised at my saying, 'You^[c] must be born again.' ⁸The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."^[d]

⁹"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.

¹⁰"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? ¹¹Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. ¹²I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things?"

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: *Whisper To My Heart* - Joseph Martin

Morning Message: The Breath of Life

We Respond to God's Grace

Hymn/Song of Assurance: **Voices United # 382**

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

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:

Grandmothers Leading with Love



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 Hymn: Voices United # 657

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought!

Commissioning

Benediction

Choral Amen: All

Postlude: *Finale on 'Hyfrydol' – George Coleman*

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.

Thank you to our Worship Leader this morning, Paul Whiteley. Next Sunday, March 8th our worship leader is Rev, Stephen Shay.

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 Marilyn & Colleen.

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

Offerings – February 2026

Date	Attend	General	M&S	Benev. (SGM)
Feb 1	24	\$ 707.50	\$ 127.50	\$ 45.00
Feb 8	19	\$ 847.50	\$ 147.50	\$ 25.00
Feb 15	25	\$ 992.50	\$ 177.50	\$ 25.00
Feb 22	19	\$ 957.50	\$ 187.50	\$62.00
BMO		\$ 550.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 75.00
PAR		\$ 1610.00	\$36.00	\$ 26.00

Thank you for your generosity.

NOTE – there are no individual envelopes this year. Please use envelopes from the past or the ones left in the pews. Remember to put your name & amount on the envelope

Lenten Offerings go to the UCW to help cover the costs associated with their programs, such as Edna's Café and other ventures. Envelopes are available for your Lenten Donation on the table in the narthex.

**The World Day of Pray is on Friday
March 6 at St. John the Evangelist
Church at 1 pm. The country being
highlighted this year is
Nigeria. Everyone is welcome.**

**Spring Forward
next weekend, March 8th.**



Schedule for Guest Speakers

March 1st – Paul Whiteley
March 8th – Rev. Stephan Shay
March 15th – Rev. Erin Burns
March 22nd – Rev. Stephan Shay
March 29th – Rev. Erin Burns
April 3rd – Good Friday - Walk of the Cross
April 5 -Easter – Paul Whiteley
April 12 – Elaine Farley
April 19 Tammy Fergusson
April 26 -Tammy Fergusson

**Thank you to the organizers and all who
attended the concert on Wednesday night. It
was a wonderful evening of music.
We appreciate your continued support.**

**The next Concert is Wednesday, March 25th.
The sounds of Celtic, Irish and Folk music with
"Seventh Town"**

