

WELCOME to GRACE UNITED CHURCH

June 11, 2017 – Trinity & 92nd Anniversary of Church Union Sunday
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GATHERING of GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER *in unison*

May the light of each new day from the sun enable us to see with new clarity the beauty of creation. May we always give thanks to God that we have a chance to make a difference with each new day. May we recognize the promise of rebirth among all living things in our fragile and complex world. May the setting sun find us at peace with each other so we will have no fear of the darkness.

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

Thanks be to God. Amen,

Silent Prayer

WORDS OF HOPE AND HEALING *adapt. Psalm 46*

God provides us with ever-present help. God is our refuge.

Therefore we will not fear. We will trust God and he will make our paths free from danger.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

GOOD NEWS in GOD'S WORD

A WORD OF EXPLANATION "The Sun" Ridley Gillmore

HYMN "All Creatures of Our God & King" Voices United #217

PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER *a paraphrase by Jim Cotter*

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be. Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echo through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by people of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

HYMN "Before the Earth Had Yet Begun" Voices United #301
Tune: VU #100

GIFT OF MUSIC Doug Tieli

MINUTE FOR MISSION "The Healing Fund is Changing Lives"

SCRIPTURE Today's Reader: Bob Blackmore
Psalm 84 Voices United #800
Isaiah 45: 1-7 Hear the Good News. **Thanks be to God.**

GIVING OUR RESPONSE

HYMN "Were You There?" Voices United #144

OFFERING & OFFERTORY RESPONSE Voices United #543
**We give thee but thine own, what e're the gift may be,
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O God from thee.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER *in unison*
**For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
And the gift of the Spirit, by which we live,
We thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed
by the gifts that we offer today. Amen.**

GOING INTO GOD'S WORLD

HYMN "Creating God Your Fingers Trace" Voices United #265

SENDING FORTH & BLESSING

Special thanks to Doug Tieli for stepping in and offering our gift of music this morning.

GRACE UNITED CHURCH

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GRACE COMMUNITY OUTREACH Please let us know of anyone suffering from a recent loss or illness, or celebrating a special occasion, by contacting Doris Kobe, 364-1818.

USHER & READER SCHEDULE

Readers needed for June, please sign up at the church entrance for a Sunday that suits your schedule.

Head Usher for June: Ivan Blake (519-369-2937)

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| June 11 | Glen & Florence McLean | Bob Blackmore |
| June 18 | Jeff & Sheri Walden | Marion Badger |
| June 25 | Gerald & Verona Fidler | |

HANOVER FOODBANK SUGGESTIONS Help us fill the shopping cart every week. Suggestions include: condiments, oatmeal, salmon, juice ...or whatever you have.

HAMILTON CONFERENCE PRAYER CYCLE

St. Paul's United Church, Milton; Halton Presbytery
Cave Springs Camp, Beamsville



GRACE UNITED ANNUAL FISH FRY Tuesday, June 13

Tickets now available from many church members, the church office & Quick Print.
\$17 or \$5 for children 12 & under
Take out available.

The Help List will be on the kitchen door this Sunday. Much help, baking, donations needed for this major church fundraiser.

CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY New directory is being put together for our 160th Anniversary. Sittings will take place the week of **June 19-24** in the afternoons and evenings. There is no cost to have your portraits taken and each family will receive a copy of the completed directory and an 8"x10" copy of their portrait at no cost.



FOR FAMILIES

ACTIVITY BAGS Bags full of colouring pages and activities are available at the back of the church for anyone wishing to have their child join them in the pews. Children are always welcome at Grace!



VBS 2017 is coming soon! Come discover God's love at Hanover Community's Vacation Bible School, held at Grace United Church, from **July 10-14**, 9 - 11:30 a.m. Kids from grades S-K to Grade 6 are welcome to attend! Register by calling 364-3550.



FOR SENIORS

COME TRAVEL WITH ME will be travelling to New Zealand with Jerry Asling, Tuesday, **June 20** at 1:30.

WALTERS FAMILY COUNTRY CHRISTMAS Thursday, **November 16**, 2 p.m. - Sanderson Centre, Brantford. Tickets \$93, also includes hot lunch buffet at Best Western and round trip coach bus. Contact Sally Kormann or the church office to reserve a spot – only two spots left.

GRACE-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, June 12

VON SMART Program, 9 am
Rug Hooking, 1:30 pm
Scout Group Meeting, 7 pm
Al-Anon, 8 pm

Tuesday, June 13

TOPS, 10 am
Light on Main Street Prep, 1 pm
Bruce Presb. Exec. Mtg, 2 pm
Grace Fish Fry 5 pm
AA Meeting, 8 pm

Wednesday, June 14

VON SMART Program, 9 am
Mental Health Clinic, 11 am
Light on Main Street, 11:30 am
Saugeen Villa Service, 2 pm
Board Meeting, 5:10 pm

Thursday, June 15

Knitting Circle, 1:30 pm
Poundwatchers, 6:30 pm

Friday, June 16

Horticultural Soc. Flower Show

Saturday, June 17

Horticultural Soc. Flower Show

Sunday, June 18

Aboriginal Sunday
Father's Day