

Organ Prelude
Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The Grace

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love
of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People And also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Almighty God,

**All to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse
the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration
of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love
you and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

**All and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and
Father, we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord
God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of
the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are
the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
the Father. Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reader A Reading from Joel

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Joel 2:21-27

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us and
we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Epistle

Reader: A Reading from 1 Timothy

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.

This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, —this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-7

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

The Gospel Reading

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?

Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 6:25-33

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Rev. Paul

Choir Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful #416

The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of
God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of
God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten,
not made; being of one substance with the Father;
through whom all things were made:
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
was made man and was crucified also for us under
Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried and the third day he rose
again according to the scriptures and ascended into
heaven and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.**

**And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.
And I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People Litany #19 Hilary Bowring

(Let us give thanks to God our Father, always and for everything, saying, "We thank you, Lord.")

For the beauty and wonder of creation,
We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women,
revealing the image of Christ,
We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food, for our homes and families and friends,
We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think and hearts to love,
We thank you, Lord.

For health, strength and skill to work and for leisure to rest
and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For those who are brave and courageous, patient in
suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all who pursue peace, justice, and truth,

We thank you, Lord.

Today we give thanks especially for . . .

We thank you, Lord.

For (. . . and) all the saints whose lives have reflected the
light of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all whom we
remember before you: the poor, the persecuted, the sick
and all who suffer, especially today: Tom, Veronica &
Heather; Kathleen; Grace; Michael; Bella; Pat; Jo; Azad;
Elizabeth & family; Bob; Mary Jane; Jess; David; Mary &
Rob; Mandy; Mary Lee.

We pray for those of our loved ones who have died - rest
eternal grant unto them, O Lord; and let light perpetual
shine upon them. We pray for those who mourn, especial-
ly those whose loss is recent.

We pray for those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week:
Roger Buysse; Kerry & Stephen Buzzell; Mary & Rob Byron;
Pat Carroll; Jane Carter; Anulude Charles; Betty Chesser.

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all you have done for us. We thank you for the splendour of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of Life and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us tasks which demand our best efforts and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Generous God, we thank you that, time after time, in the most surprising places, you spread a table for us and welcome us to the feast of your presence.

Sometimes we feel like amazed guests at a banquet, a great celebration; sometimes we meet you at a kitchen table among friends, sharing daily bread; sometimes as children enjoying a picnic, laughing, singing, in the sunshine; sometimes in a dark valley, on a hard journey, by the barbed wire, bread is broken.

Always we find nourishment; always enough for all who come; we see that no-one is ever turned away; and always we are blessed by sharing – this is the gospel feast.

Thank you for such good food, giving strength to do your work in the world, and for your welcome at our journey's end. **Amen.**

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,
All we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon
and deliver you from all your sins, confirm
and strengthen you in all goodness and keep
you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Source of all life, the heaven and earth are
yours, yet you have given us dominion over all
things. Receive the symbols of our labour and
love which we offer you this day, in the name
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer # 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is indeed right that we should praise you,
gracious God, for you created all things.
You formed us in your own image:
male and female you created us.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us, but opened
a path of salvation for all people. You made
a covenant with Israel and through your
servants Abraham and Sarah gave the
promise of a blessing to all nations.
Through Moses you led your people from
bondage into freedom;
through the prophets
you renewed your promise of salvation.
Therefore, with them and with all your
saints who have served you in every age,
we give thanks and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Holy God, source of life and goodness,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
In the fullness of time, you sent your Son
Jesus Christ, to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to
you, the God and Father of all.
He healed the sick and ate and drank with
outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the
blind and proclaimed the good news of your
kingdom to the poor and to those in need.
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.
On the night he freely gave himself to death,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread and when he
had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it
to his disciples and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to
them and said, " Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant, which is
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness
of sins. Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the
power of sin and death;
by raising him to life you give us life for
evermore.
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection
and looking for his coming again in glory,
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these
gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may
be one body and one holy people,
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours,
almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

The Communion

Choir Hymn: Draw Near and Take

#49

Prayer After Communion: (please stand)

Celebrant God of our hope, in this Eucharist we find the source of all your blessings.
Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,
**All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The Flowers on the **Altar** are to **Glory of God** and in loving memory of Christine and David Humpartzian, given by Connie Humpartzian.

If you would like to place flowers or light the Aumbry Candle, in memory or in thanksgiving of a loved one, please contact Sheila Eisler at 519.304.1110, or email her at sheila.eisler@gmail.com.

Alternately, if you would like to make a donation to the Window Restoration project in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one, please email admin@graceanglicanbrantford.ca

PREPARING FOR OCTOBER 17

Readings:

A Special Thank You from Rev. David & Lisa:

Rev. David and Lisa would like to extend their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all the members of our Grace Church family for all of your caring and prayerful support during David's recent illness and ongoing recovery.

All of your cards and phone calls, kind words and prayers have meant more than mere words can possibly express and we are counting on your continued prayers as Dave continues his recovery. Again, thank you!

And may God manifestly return your kindness and richly bless you always, in all ways.

David+ and Lisa

ANNOUNCEMENTS-OCTOBER 10, 2021

CELEBRITY PRODUCTIONS

We're back! Mark Friday, October 29th at 6 pm on your calendar! The tribute shows begin again with all COVID protocols in place. Come celebrate a Country Hallowe'en bash with Celebrity Productions. Dress in your best country costume and enjoy a tasty treat.

Tickets are \$20 in advance.

Call Helene at 519.752.6814, x21

Tuesdays through Thursdays, 9-12.

ALPHA PROGRAM-SMALL GROUP STUDY

We will be starting an Alpha Program on Monday, November 4th. Note the date change.

This will be done on Zoom.

If you are interested, please contact Chris Levett at info@graceanglicanbrantford.ca

GRACE CHURCH FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all who support our food drives! The next Food Drive will be held Sat, Oct 30th. To restock our Food Cupboard, non-perishable items are needed.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

We encourage you to make use of this convenient method of weekly or monthly givings. For your convenience, our website allows you to complete the form online, submit to the diocese, who will credit Grace Anglican Church.

FUNDRAISER IN SUPPORT OF THE CHANIE WENJACK FUND

Do you like to walk? Join our team. Start keeping track of your walks in kilometers by day and let us know how you are doing. Our goal is 600 kilometers and \$3,000.

We are walking in support of the Downie-Wenjack fund. In 1966, Chanie ran away from his residential school in an attempt to reunite with his family 600 kilometers away.

A week later, he was found after he had succumbed to starvation and exposure. Inspired by Chanie's story and Gord Downie's call to build a better Canada, the Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund aims to build cultural understanding and create a path toward reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. Our goal is to improve the lives of Indigenous people by building awareness, education and connections between all Canadians.

Let Chris Levett know if you would like to sign up.

info@graceanglicanbrantford.ca

PARKING FOR GRACE CHURCH

Thank you for working with us on parking as we begin our partnership with The Meeting House.

We are asking both congregations to allow older members and people with special needs to use the parking lot closest to their choice of entrance.

Ideally, Grace members would use the Grace lot and The Meeting House will use the Thorpe Bros. lot.