

**JULY 2, 2023**  
**10:30 a.m.**

## What shall we call this place?



### **Vision**

Transforming lives through God's grace.

### **Mission**

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we grow disciples of Jesus Christ to love our neighbours and effect social change.

### **Values**

Belonging, Community, Compassion, Engagement, and Service.

The Rev. Dr. Jean Morris  
Interim Moderator

The Rev. Jake Van Pernis  
Associate Minister, Engagement and Service (on parental leave)

The Rev. Wendy Adams  
Pro Tem Minister

Matt Kallio,  
Music Coordinator

Please find Online Worship at:



**Grace Presbyterian Church**  
*Transforming lives through God's grace*

## Order of Worship

In a spirit of respect and truth we honour and acknowledge that we live, work, play and worship on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani), the Tsuut'ina Nation, the Stoney Nakoda Nations (Bears paw, Chiniki, and Wesley), the Métis Nation (Region 3), and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.

**Prelude: Ach Gott und Herr**  
**(Ah, my Lord and God)**

**Johann Walther (1684-1748)**

**Hymn # 800 O Canada (verse 1 only)**

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**Welcome and Announcements**

**Mary Lil Rozsa de Coquet**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Ainsley**

## **Call To Worship**

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.**

**Hymn # 453 Oh sing to our God**

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**Prayer of Adoration**

**Rev. Wendy Adams**

## Rite of Reconciliation

### Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, as we gather to celebrate your gift of love

We recall with sorrow

The times when we forget you

And are divided one from the other.

How often our thoughts, our words, and our actions have betrayed  
the goodness you have shown to us.

**Forgive us, merciful God.**

**Mend what is broken.**

**Heal the wounded relationships that separate us from you  
and one another;**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

### Words of Forgiveness

#### The Peace

May the Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Hymn # 521 Child of blessing, child of promise**

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**Time with Young Christians**

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

### **Anastasia Mary Hann, daughter of Jillian Lee and Shane Hann**

Baptism is a gift from God.

With visible signs and words of promise, God moves toward us to claim us as children of the new covenant and members of the household of God. In baptism, God acts to unite us to Christ, to deliver us from the power of sin and death, and call us into a new life of growth and service.

The Sacrament of Baptism is not something we do, but a symbol of what God has done for us in Christ. God's grace and our response to it are not tied to the moment of baptism, but continue and deepen throughout life. Baptism is meant for those who profess their faith and for their children. Together we are the family of God.

So let us take courage. The promises of God are for us and for our children. Let us move forward through the waters trusting in the faithfulness of God, secure in the love made known in Jesus Christ. Baptism assures us that we belong to God. In life and in death our greatest comfort is that we belong to our faithful Saviour Jesus Christ.

Who comes to receive the gift of baptism?

On behalf of the session, I present Anastasia Mary Hann, to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Jillian Lee and Shane Hann, putting your whole trust in the grace and love of Jesus Christ, do you desire to have your child baptized?

**We do.**

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God who has been faithful to us in all generations, do you turn away from sin, renounce all evil powers in the world which rebel against God or oppose God's rule of justice and love?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin which separate you from the love of God?

**I renounce them.**

Will you be responsible for nurturing Anastasia in the faith and life of the Christian community?

**We will, with God's help.**

Will you, by your prayers and witness help Anastasia grow into her life in Christ?

**We will, with God's help.**

People of God, will you promise to uphold and support these persons in their life in Christ?

**We will, with God's help.**

## **The Apostle's Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## **Hymn #619 Aaronic Blessing**

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**The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you his peace.**

## Prayer for Understanding

Richard Wilson

**Scripture** Genesis 22: 1-14  
Psalm 13 (responsive, sing refrain I)  
Matthew 10: 40-42

Rev. Terry Fach

**Sermon** What shall we call this place?

**Hymn** # 6 How long will you forget me, Lord

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## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Invitation to Our Offering

**Offertory Music** Interlude on "Finlandia"

Matt Kallio

**Hymn** #306 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God all creatures high and low;  
praise God in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

## Prayer for Our Offering

Norma Hunchak

**Hymn** # 462 All my hope on God is founded \*

**Benediction**

**Amen** # 780 Amen †

**Postlude** “Trompette” **John Stanley**  
**(1712-1786)**

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Happy Canada Day! This morning we sing our national anthem, music by Calixa Lavalee (December 28, 1842-January 21, 1891). Lavalee best known for writing “O Canada” was born into a musical family and studied organ with his bandleader father Augustin Lavallee. He worked as a musician in the United States until the outbreak of the American Civil War at which point, he enlisted as a Private and musician in the 4th Rhode Island Infantry Regimental Band. After the war, he travelled extensively in the U.S. and Europe organizing concerts and teaching. He was commissioned to write our national anthem on St. Jean Baptiste day, 1880 by the Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, Theodor Robitalle.

Our prelude today by German baroque composer Johann Walther is a beautifully written chorale prelude based on the tune “Ach Gott und Herr” (Ah, my Lord and God). In it, notice how Walther skillfully arranges the tunes (cantus firmus) in canon between the solo stop manual and the pedals. To close the service, we have a “Trompette” or trumpet tune by the English, classical composer John Stanley. A trumpet tune is an organ piece that imitates idiomatically the properties of the trumpet while not necessarily needing an actual trumpet. Usually, this means an abundance of florid passage work or dotted rhythms in the music. This trompette also has a commonly used echo effect in which the organist will play a louder section on one manual (keyboard) and a softer echo effect on another manual.





**Do** justice.  
**Love** kindness.  
**Walk** humbly.

## Truth and Reconciliation: Calls to Action

The Presbyterian Church in Canada has endorsed the Calls to Action published by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. The Truth, Healing & Reconcili-Action Team at Grace shares the following Call to Action and prayer as a way to engage in this important work.

### **Call 59:**

We call upon churches to develop ongoing education strategies to ensure that their respective congregations learn about their church's role in colonization and in residential schools, and why apologies are necessary.

### **Prayer:**

God of reason and understanding, we love to talk about theology, but sometimes our talk leads to actions of violence, not love. Sometimes our practices divide rather than reconcile. Lead us to face the truth of the past and to work for peace in the future. Remind us that confession from the heart leads to healing of the heart; that words of truth build trust. Stir us to respond to your longing for a new creation to heal and restore the circle of your people.

Let us work for reconciliation. Amen

*To learn more about how the Calls to Action are being responded to see:*

[yellowheadinstitute.org/trc](http://yellowheadinstitute.org/trc)

## Life and Work at Grace Church

[www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/](http://www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/)



### **Worship Services**

- ◇ Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in-person.
- ◇ Livestreamed to watch anytime at [www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/](http://www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/)
- ◇ The South Sudanese community meets Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the Chapel.
- ◇ The Anuak community meets Sundays at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

**Summer Sunday School** has begun! Leaders will share lessons, games, arts and crafts, as the Grace Kids connect with the biblical stories of Noah's Ark, Jonah, Jesus walking on water, Jesus and the woman at the well and Lydia helping Paul.

### **July 2**

**Rev. Terry Fach**

Rev. Terry Fach has been the Campus Chaplain at Ambrose University (Calgary) since 2013. He was planter and pastor of a church in Calgary for sixteen years, and before that taught philosophy and theology at Ambrose. Educated at Canadian Nazarene College and Oxford University, he is married to Ruth, and they are the parents of two adult daughters.

### **July 9**

**Rev. Terry Fach**

### **Sympathy**

Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to the family of Mimi McRitchie who died on June 17. A memorial service will be held at Grace on Tuesday July 4 at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Please keep Mimi's family and friends in your prayers at this time.

## Volunteer Opportunities

### **Children and Youth**

Planning for the regular Church School year starting in September is underway – please prayerfully consider how you might support this ministry with your time and talent.

### **Sound System Operator**

Each Sunday morning, a dedicated volunteer operates the sound system in support of our worship. One additional operator to share the schedule about once every 3 or 4 weeks would be very welcome. The schedule is flexible and training will be provided.

## **ELL Coordinator**

The English Language Learner (“ELL”) program helps dozens of people become more confident in their conversational English, in a safe and encouraging environment. Currently the program runs for 30 weeks on Monday mornings, from September through June. The ELL Coordinator supports volunteer leaders by arranging resources and organizes communication, student registration and facilities requirements with staff. Volunteering for the ELL Coordinator position is a way to help make a positive difference in the lives of many people.

Please contact Grace’s Coordinator of Volunteers, Cindy Stephenson at [volunteers@gracecalgary.org](mailto:volunteers@gracecalgary.org) to learn more about the many volunteer opportunities at Grace.

## **Thank You**

The Facilities Committee oversees the upkeep, maintenance and future planning of Grace’s indoor and outdoor space. The Committee members bring deep technical expertise to this work as a way of stewarding these physical resources to God’s glory, consistent with our vision, mission and values.

We give thanks for the contributions of Alan Facey (Support Services Director), Richard Kim, Bonnie Noyce Faust, Shirley Philips (Session Liaison), Bill Stemp, Robin Telfer (Convener), Les Wilson, and Richard Wilson.

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