

# HOW TO REMEMBER

## Remembrance Sunday

November 5, 2023  
10:30 am



Canadian National Vimy Memorial, Givenchy-en-Gohelle, Hauts-de-France, France

### **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 (parental leave)  
Assoc. Minister, Engagement & Service

The Rev. Wendy Adams  
Interim Minister

The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins  
Interim Minister

Matt Kallio  
Music Coordinator

Please find Online Worship at:



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

## Order of Worship

**Prelude** **Nimrod from Enigma Variations Op. 36** Edward Elgar (1857-1934)  
**When Peace is Like a River** Phillip Bliss/arr: Jay Althouse  
Paul Scholtz, trumpet

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Pauline**

**Act of Remembrance**

**Hymn 800 O Canada**

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**Laying of the Wreath**

**Dan Van Leeuwen**

**Litany of Remembrance**

**The Rev. Wendy Adams**

Loving God, we remember today that you are the giver of every good gift, and one of your gifts is peace. You have blessed us with freedom, and you have met all our needs.

**O God, help us never to forget your gifts.**

We remember those who gave their lives in two world wars, the Korean War and other conflicts. We know that their sacrifice is part of your gift of peace and freedom.

**O God, help us never to forget the price they paid.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said that people have no greater love than to lay down their life for their friends. You laid down your life for us, and you call us your friends. Those who were killed or maimed or scarred in wars laid down a piece of their lives for us.

**O God, help us to live lives worthy of your sacrifice and theirs.**

We remember that you alone are the source of peace and justice. We pray with all our hearts for peace in our times. Bring true peace to those places where conflicts continue to smolder.

**O God, bring an end to hatred and senseless violence, and give peace in our time.**

We remember, O God, that homes and workplaces, schools and streets are not always places of peace. Yet you have offered us the way of peace through the love of Jesus Christ.

**O God, help us to accept your offer and to find another way, the way of Love, the way of Jesus, to heal our differences.**

We hold up before you, O God, all those who work for peace: Canadian peacekeepers, family members and friends who try to bring peace between quarrelling loved ones, and many religious communities who teach and try to live the way of peace.

**O God, help us to be peacemakers in our homes, our communities and our world. Amen**

As we remember in silence before God those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, let us commend their souls anew to God's eternal mercy and compassion, and let us pray that God would grant us grace to serve faithfully until our life's end, to the honour and glory of God's Holy Name.

**At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.**

## The Last Post

### Silent remembering

### Reveille

### Land acknowledgement

In a spirit of respect and truth we honour and acknowledge that we worship on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani), the Tsuut'ina, 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.

### Call to Worship

In times of trouble and war we called to the Lord  
and the Lord rescued us and gave us peace.

**We will proclaim God's faithfulness now and to all generations.**

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

**We will share the peace of Christ, that passes all understanding, with this and with all generations.**

**Hymn # 299 Holy, holy, holy**

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### Prayer of Adoration

## Rite of Reconciliation

### Prayer of Confession

God of mercy,  
we confess that the world around us is broken and heartbreaking.  
Countries turn disputes over territory into threats of terror.  
Old enemies stir up conflict within tribes and nations.  
The threat of violence keeps us all on edge.  
We have not learned from past conflicts  
what leads to peace with justice among nations and neighbours.  
Forgive us all.

### Words of Forgiveness

#### The Peace

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

**Anthem** **Kontakion**

Rupert Lang (b. 1948)

**Time with Young Christians**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Elizabeth Cressman**

**Scriptures** **Psalm 43 responsive** (sing Refrain I)

**Micah 3:5-12**

**1 Thessalonians 2:9-13**

**Matthew 23:1-12**

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**      **How to remember**

**Hymn**        **# 330 O God, our help in ages past**

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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.**

**Offertory**    **In Flanders Fields**

Stephen Chatman (b. 1950)

**Prayer for Our Offering**

**Dave Todd**

**Hymn**        **# 732 O day of peace that dimly shines**

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### **Benediction**

**Choral Amen # 780 Amen**

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**Hymn**        **# 731 Shalom chaverim**

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**Postlude**    **We shall remember**

Mishaal Surti (b. 1985)

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### **Worship Services**

- ◇ Sundays at 10:30 am in-person.
- ◇ Livestreamed to watch anytime at [www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/](http://www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/)
- ◇ Fellowship in the Family Room immediately following Worship each Sunday.
- ◇ The South Sudanese community meets Sundays at 12:30 pm in the Chapel.
- ◇ The Anyuak community meets Sundays at 3:00 pm in the Chapel.

**November 12**

**The Rev. Wendy Adams**

**November 19**

**The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins**

### **Presbytery of Calgary Macleod Questionnaire**

The Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod is conducting its regular visitation at Grace Church. The presbytery visits every congregation to provide support and oversight. These visits are meant to be a time to share any concerns as well as positive aspects of congregational life. The Rev. Jeff Lackie, Minister at St. John's Medicine Hat, is the convener of the visitation team. Questionnaires have been sent via email to members and adherents. Please send your responses to the team by November 10. If you do not use email and would like to speak with the Presbytery, please contact the office at 403 244-5861 and they will connect you to the Rev. Lackie.

### **East Doors Closed**

Please note that with the onset of winter the east Sanctuary doors are closed now until the return of pleasant weather. North, south and west entrances remain open.

## Elder Nominations

As part of our ongoing leadership development at Grace, every two years we recruit new Elders to serve the church. Elders are ordained for life and provide pastoral care for a specific district of congregational members and adherents. Elders are responsible for the spiritual leadership of the congregation, and the stewardship of church assets. When Elders are first elected, they will either serve on Session for a six-year term and assume the role of liaison to a Session Committee, or they will be designated a Service Elder and serve on a Session Committee.

This is how members of Grace can participate in the process of choosing new Ruling Elders (this process follows the guidelines set out in The Presbyterian Church in Canada's *Book of Forms*):

- Pray for potential new Elders.
- Exercise discernment about nominating a member of Grace to this office.
- Find another member to submit a nomination of a potential new Elder. New Elders must be nominated by two members of the congregation.
- How do you do this?
  - Complete the form on-line @ [www.gracechurchcalgary.com/2023/10/24/nominate-or-become-an-elder/](http://www.gracechurchcalgary.com/2023/10/24/nominate-or-become-an-elder/)
  - Fill in the form below and forward it to The Rev. Wendy Adams.
- Nominations will be accepted until Monday, December 4, 2023.



Once the nomination period has ended, Rev. Wendy will interview the nominees to gauge their interest moving forward. The nominees will then meet with the Ad Hoc Nomination Committee to explore their sense of calling.

The list of those who feel called will be reviewed by the current Session Elders and then will be voted on by members at a congregational meeting in April of 2024.

Subsequent to their election, there will be a service of ordination.

If you have any questions about this process, you may speak with Rev. Wendy Adams or your Elder.

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Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of First Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Second Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grace Updates



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

### **Lead Minister Search Committee**

The Lead Minister Search Committee is so grateful for the support and prayers of the congregation and would like to invite all to join with us in the following prayer:

Almighty God,  
You have called us to follow Christ in all things.  
Shape us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit  
so that we may live as your beloved children  
and proclaim your saving love to our lifes' end;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

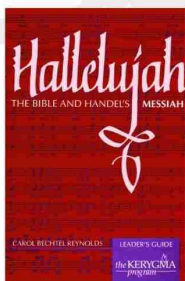
## Grace Events

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### **Advent Study on now**

**“Hallelujah, the Bible and Handel’s Messiah” Bible Study, led by The Rev. Wendy Adams In-Person at Grace Presbyterian Church and online through Zoom, Thursdays in November, 10:00 am to noon.**



**JOIN A SPIRITUAL  
GROWTH ADVENT AND  
LENT BIBLE STUDY LED BY  
THE REV WENDY ADAMS**





**LUNCH N LEARN today 12:00 – 1:30 pm in the dining room**

**CARE AND CONNECTION**  
*Lunch N Learn*  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5  
NOON - 1:30 PM  
DINING HALL

OPEN TO ELDERS,  
DEACONS AND THOSE  
WHO PROVIDE  
PASTORAL CARE

LED BY  
REV. GEOFFREY SIMMINS



# Remembrance and Peace

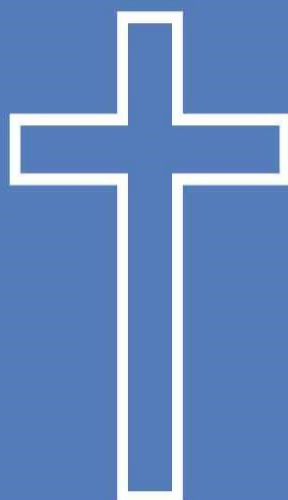
**Foothills Brass Quintet with  
Matt Kallio on organ and piano,  
The Grace Presbyterian Chancel  
Choir and The Calgary Men's Chorus**

Reflective works by Elgar,  
Fauré and Rupert Lang contrast  
with upbeat music by Cole Porter,  
Duke Ellington and Glenn Miller,  
including an appearance by the  
**Andrews Sisters!**

November 10, 7:30pm  
Grace Presbyterian Church  
1009 15th Avenue SW, Calgary  
[www.foothillsbrass.ca](http://www.foothillsbrass.ca)



**New Member Class Lunch N Learn**  
**Sunday November 19,**  
**12:00—1:30 pm in the 2nd floor boardroom.**  
[www.GraceChurchCalgary.com/events/](http://www.GraceChurchCalgary.com/events/)



**New Members Class**  
**Lunch N Learn Nov 19**

New to Grace? Learn more about the New Members class. Sign up at [www.GraceChurchCalgary.com/events/](http://www.GraceChurchCalgary.com/events/)

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Are you new to Grace? Have you been at Grace for some time but have not yet become a member? You are invited to join a Lunch N Learn on becoming a member at Grace, including the benefits of being a member, the process for taking this step, and how it fits into faith formation. As this is in-person and catered, please sign up online at [www.GraceChurchCalgary.com/event/new-members-class/](http://www.GraceChurchCalgary.com/event/new-members-class/) by Tuesday, November 14. More details will be shared - such as the room for this class.

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