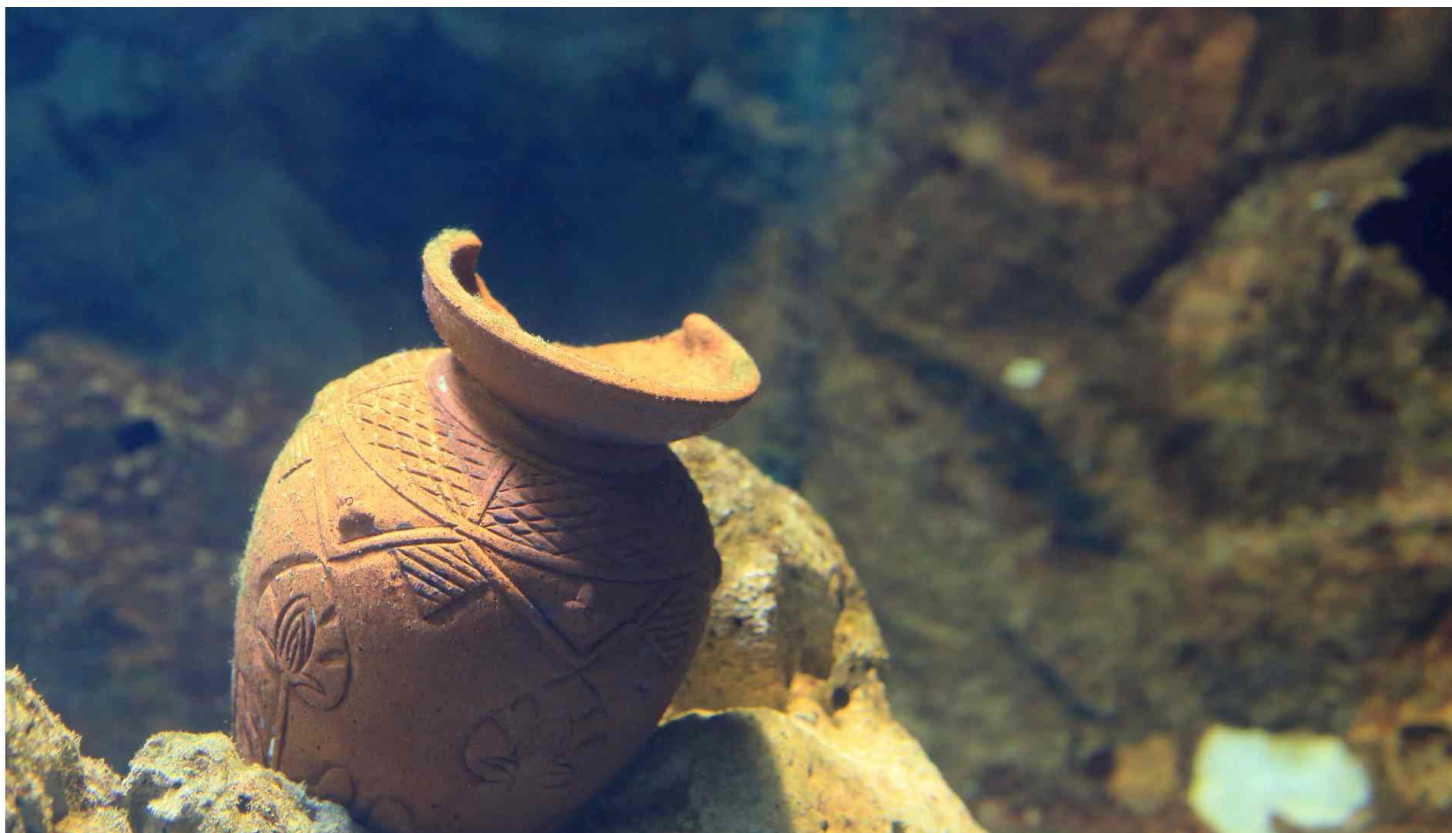


A TREASURE IN CLAY JARS
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 2, 2024
10:30 a.m.



Vision

Transforming lives through God's grace.

The Rev. Dr. Jean Morris
Interim Moderator

Mission

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

The Rev. Jake Van Pernis
Associate Minister

The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins
Interim Minister

Values

Belonging, Community, Compassion,
Engagement, and Service

Matt Kallio
Music Coordinator

Please find Online Worship at:



Grace Presbyterian Church
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Order of Worship

Land Acknowledgement

In a spirit of respect and truth we honour and acknowledge that we live, work, play, and worship on the traditional territories of the peoples of Treaty 7, which includes the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprised of the Siksika, the Piikani, and the Kainai Nations) the Tsuut'ina Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda (comprised of the Chiniki, Bearspaw and Goodstoney Nations). The City of Calgary is also home to the Metis Nation of Alberta Districts 5 and 6.

Prelude Suite in A major

Michel Corrette

Plein Jeu - Basse de Trompette - Flutes en duo - Duo - Grande Jeu

Welcome and Announcements

Sabino Diok

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Buay

Introit Come, Holy Spirit, Come

Eric Thiman

Call to Worship

Raise a song of joy and gladness before God.

We will make music and sing God's praises.

Sing aloud to God, our strength!

We will shout for joy to the God who made us.

Worship God who makes all things new!

We will celebrate God's goodness in prayer and praise.

Hymn 757 Come sing, O church, in joy!

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Prayer of Adoration

Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

God of all life and each life,

you created us to enjoy your presence,

yet we confess it is easy to lose track of that joy.

When times are tough, we feel resentful.

When someone else succeeds, jealousy creeps in.

Some days bad news is all we hear.

Draw us back to your goodness and grace.

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

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

Anthem **Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether** Harold W. Friedell

Time with Young Christians **Geoffrey Simmins**

Prayer for Understanding **Laurie Livingstone**

Scriptures **Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (sing Refrain I)**
2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Sermon **A Treasure in Clay Jars**

Invitation to the Offering **Mary Jardine**

Offertory **O Taste and See** Timothy Flynn

Response to the Offering **Hymn 79**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below:
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Prayer for Our Offering

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn 540 One bread, one body

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Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...we lift our voices to echo the song of creation:

Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna in the highest.

God's own companion...

And so we pray together the words that Jesus taught us, saying,

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.

The Story of the Table

Sharing of Communion

Prayer after Communion

Hymn 467 Praise, my soul, the God who crowns you

music †; paraphrase ©TPCC

Benediction

Sending Hymn 620 Go now in peace (verse 1)

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Postlude Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier BWV 731

J.S. Bach

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Music Notes

There are two Communion-themed works in the service: Harold Friedell's beautiful anthem "Draw us in the Spirit's tether" and an expressive setting of Psalm 34:8 "O Taste and See" by Timothy Flynn for the Offertory.

The postlude is "Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier" (Dearest Jesus, we are here), a Lutheran hymn with text written by Tobias Clausnitzer in 1663. The tune is based on a 1664 melody by Johann Rudolph Ahle. J.S. Bach takes this tune and embellishes it in the soprano solo stop of the organ, causing it to take on a new life.

Life and Work at Grace Church

www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/



Worship Services

- ◇ Sundays, 10:30 a.m. in-person and online; fellowship follows in Grace's Family Room
- ◇ Worship can be watched anytime at www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/
- ◇ The South Sudanese community will meet in Grace's Chapel today at 12:30 p.m.
- ◇ The Anyuak community will meet in Grace's Chapel today at 3:00 p.m.

June 9	Third Sunday of Pentecost Sacrament of Baptism	The Rev. Dr. Jean Morris The Rev. Jake Van Pernis
June 16	Fourth Sunday of Pentecost Indigenous Peoples Sunday Reception of New Members	The Rev. Jake Van Pernis

Minister Away

Rev. Jake will be away June 2 through 8 attending the General Assembly of The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Grace's Nursery Care

Grace's Nursery Care provider Jiebieni Nyajwok will be away from Grace from June 9 - July 7 travelling to visit family and friends.

Grace will not have a staffed nursery for babies and toddlers while Jiebieni is away, however Grace's nursery space will be available for use by families with a child or children under the age of 3 accompanied by a parent or guardian who both stays with, and watches over their child/children. Grace's nursery space has a half door and is located on the right-hand side of the hallway leading to Grace's Chapel. Please also note there is a space at the back of Grace's sanctuary with a rocking chair and a pack and play for parents of babies and toddlers to use as well.

Save the Date:

Grace is looking forward to the arrival of the Rev. Dr. Chris Joiner, and his wife, Kim, to Calgary. They are anticipated within the next two weeks, and will need some time to move in and settle. One of the first and most significant opportunities to gather and celebrate will be the Induction Service, which will install Rev. Dr. Chris Joiner as Grace's new Lead Minister. Please mark June 23, 7:00 p.m. on your calendar for this important service, followed by fellowship. Watch your mailboxes for a letter this week with additional information about what you can expect in the coming weeks.

Name Tags

The Spiritual Growth Committee invites everyone to wear name tags at worship. Adhesive-style tags can be found on the tables at the sanctuary entrances. The goal of wearing name tags are to help each other be known by name and create a sense of welcome and belonging. If you prefer to use a different style of tag, please bring it with you.



Grace Updates

www.gracechurchcalgary.com/news/

Refugee Family Arriving

The Engagement and Service Committee is excited to announce the arrival of the Ding family, refugees from Sudan, on June 11, 2024 being supported by Grace and a family from Grace. After waiting five years, the family's journey to a new life in Calgary is finally becoming reality.

As the family embarks on this significant transition, please pray for safe travels and for welcome, peace, and comfort to be extended as they adjust to life in Calgary. Furthermore, Grace, as a co-sponsor of this family, will need to provide volunteers to assist them in settling down, from helping them navigate Calgary, to guiding them through various processes. Volunteer support will make a significant difference in this time of transition and newness.

Please consider volunteering and by doing so, extending a warm welcome and a supportive environment for this family as they arrive and settle in Calgary.

Interested in volunteering to help this family be welcomed and settle in Calgary?

Please contact Grace's Coordinator of Volunteers, Cindy Stephenson, at

volunteers@gracecalgary.org to lend your skills to this ministry of hospitality.

We Give Thanks

The Pastoral Care and Connection Committee seeks to be responsive to the spiritual and physical needs of those within, and just outside our doors, who seek pastoral care. It currently includes: Margot Kellough (Convener), Mary Jardine, Joanne Kellough and Okwayi Obang (Session Co-Liaisons), Kerri Kroeker, Robin Tomlinson and Shirley Walker. Together with the Deacons, Ruling Elders and Ministers, they oversee and support programs to help us live into all our values and especially compassion, belonging and community. We give thanks for their caring service.

Volunteer Opportunities

www.gracechurchcalgary.com/connect/volunteer/

Welcomers

Welcomers arrive by 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings and warmly greet worshippers with intentional hospitality. They help newcomers know that they are welcome at Grace. They may also assist in the unlikely event of an emergency. It would be helpful to have another five individuals to share in this ministry of hospitality. Please let Cindy Stephenson, Coordinator of Volunteers, volunteers@gracecalgary.org, know if you are interested.

Grace Events

www.gracechurchcalgary.com/events/



Bible Study: God's Grace in Scripture

Wednesday Mornings, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., in Grace's Lounge

This Bible Study is open and participant-led. It is centered in fellowship, reading scripture together, having discussions, and in prayer. It runs through June 19. No registration is needed; all are welcome to join.

Membership Class at Grace Presbyterian Church

Grace will be hosting a membership class for anyone interested in becoming a member of Grace Presbyterian Church. This class is a wonderful opportunity to learn about Grace, its vision, mission, and values, its ministries, and the beliefs of The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Date: Sunday, June 9

Time: from approximately 11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (lunch provided).

Location: Grace's Boardroom.

The class is also a great way to connect with fellow believers and learn about ways to become more engaged at Grace.

Please register online at www.gracechurchcalgary.com or contact Grace's office at office@gracecalgary.org or (403) 244-5861. Grace looks forward to welcoming new members on Sunday, June 16!

Welcomer's Training

On Sunday, June 9, after Grace's fellowship time, there will be a brief training time (lunch provided) for both current and new welcomers. Please let Cindy Stephenson, Coordinator of Volunteers, volunteers@gracecalgary.org, know if you plan to attend.

Grace Bethany

All women are invited to attend the Grace Bethany gathering on Tuesday, June 11, at 1:30 p.m. to hear guest speaker, Dr. Allison Ruth Aldous. Dr. Aldous will highlight the work she does in the Amazon with Indigenous communities on fisheries management, freshwater stewardship, conservation, and addressing illegal mining. This will be an informative afternoon of education, fun and fellowship.

Leadership Retreat June 14 and 15

All Elders, Deacons and Committee Conveners are invited to Grace's Leadership Retreat on the evening of Friday, June 14 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., and on Saturday, June 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for times of conversation, reflection, celebration, encouragement, and clarification of priorities.

Retreat leadership will be provided by The Rev. Dr. Dale Woods. Rev. Woods will be helping Grace's leaders explore priorities that are present in Grace's life together as well as past priorities and accomplishments that can be built off of moving forward. Elders, Deacons and Committee Conveners are asked to RSVP to Cindy Stephenson, Coordinator of Volunteers, volunteers@gracecalgary.org, for planning purposes. Please pray for the Spirit's leading and movement at this leadership retreat.

Reformed and Always Reforming: Celebrating the Renewal of Grace's Chapel



Grace will be celebrating the renewal of Grace's Chapel as a space for worship, mission, and ministry, to the glory of God the week of June 24-30 with events and worship.

Going To The Chapel will be on Monday June 24, 12:00 - 12:45 p.m. and Wednesday June 26 from 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. These gatherings will provide opportunity to learn about the history, symbols, as well as the current and future uses of Grace's Chapel to glorify God through worship, teaching, fellowship, and mission. A time of fellowship with snacks and beverages will be shared at the conclusion of each of the *Going To The Chapel* events.

A worship service will be held in Grace's Chapel on Sunday, June 30 from 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. The theme of this worship service will be giving thanksgiving to God for Grace's Chapel space and celebrating its renewal as a congregation that is reformed and always reforming. Prayers will be shared for both the current and future uses this space.

All are invited to attend these planned events and worship to help collectively celebrate the renewal of Grace's Chapel space.



Mission Moment—Presbyterians Sharing

The General Assembly of The Presbyterian Church in Canada begins today. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support the governance structures of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. At General Assembly, representative elders and ministers from congregations across Canada make decisions, set priorities and examine matters of doctrine, worship, discipleship and governance. A vision for national work is set and a budget is passed, capturing the hopes and dreams of the gathered congregations for the future of the church. Together, we are bringing the church's mission and ministry to life.

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