

# WHO THEN IS THIS?

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10:30 a.m.



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## 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

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

## 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.

<b>Prelude</b>	<b>Prelude in G major</b>	J. Pachelbel
	<b>Chorale and Entrada</b>	F. Peeters
	<b>In dich hab ich gehoffet, Herr</b>	J.C. Bach

**Welcome and Announcements** **Jake Van Pernis**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** **Giyth**

**Introit** **Come Holy Spirit, Come** E. Thiman

### Call to Worship

Give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Our ancestors cried to the LORD in their trouble,

**and God brought them out of their distress.**

God made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

**We will extol God in the congregation and give praise!**

**Hymn** **448 O God beyond all praising** \*

### Prayer of Adoration

### Rite of Reconciliation

#### Invitation

## **Prayer of Confession**

God of life,  
you call us through the waters to a life  
marked by deep trust in you.  
We confess that we too often allow  
fear to control our living and guide our actions.  
We participate in the fruits of fear:  
despair, cynicism, and injustice.  
God, by your grace,  
speak peace to the tumult of our days,  
peace to the whirling fears that persist in our hearts,  
peace to the wounding we receive and inflict,  
peace that passes all understanding.  
In your mercy, forgive us,  
restore our trust,  
and grant us the stillness of your presence  
for the living of these days.  
Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

### **The Peace**

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

**Anthem** Fierce raged the tempest o'er the deep

F. Candlyn

## **Time with Young Christians**

### **Prayer for Understanding**

**Richard Wilson**

**Scripture Readings** Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32 (Responsive; Sing Refrain 1)  
Mark 4: 35-41

**Sermon** Who then is this?

**Chris Joiner**

**Hymn 325** Eternal Father, strong to save

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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 Share Our Offerings

Janet Hyde

**Offertory** Christus, der ist mein Leben

J. Walther

## Response to Sharing Our Offerings 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 Offerings

**Hymn 728** The storm is strong; we face the wind

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## Benediction

**Sending Hymn 620** Go now in peace v1

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Go now in peace; though friends must part,  
your presence lives in every heart.  
Your gifts to us no words can tell:  
go now in peace, in Christ go well.

**Postlude** Prayer of Thanksgiving

Dutch hymn/Arr: J. Kasen

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## **Music Notes**

The prelude music is three short pieces. Two of the pieces are from the Baroque era; the first is written by Johann Pachelbel, the second by Johann Christian Bach (the youngest son of Johanne Sebastian Bach). The third piece is by Flor Peeters, a Belgian composer, organist and academic teacher. He was Director of the Conservatorium in Antwerp, Belgium, and organist at Mechelen Cathedral from 1923 to his death in 1986. As an organist, Peeters enjoyed great renown giving concerts and liturgical masterclasses all over the world. His works often employ very different harmonic language, for example, in the prelude piece there is an interesting chant-like effect using open interval notes to create different harmonics.



## **Grace Kids and Youth**

### **June 23 Church School Celebration**

Following Grace's *Time with Young Christians*, children and youth are invited downstairs to Grace's Dining Hall to celebrate the completion of Grace's September-June Church School with year-end activities and a pizza party.

**June 30** Everyone in worship together.

### **July 7 Summer Church School begins for PreK-Grade 6!**

Heather-Rose Locken, Doch and Nya will lead lessons, activities, and arts and crafts to help children continue to connect with God's love and learn what it means to be followers of Jesus.

### **Grace's Nursery Care**

Grace's Nursery Care provider Jiebieni Nyajwok will be away from Grace from June 9 to 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.

## Grace Updates

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



### **Welcome New Members!**

On Sunday, June 16 Grace received and welcomed 21 people as new members—praise be to God! Welcome to all new members, it is great to share the mission and ministry of Grace with all of you!



### **Grace Gives Thanks**

As Grace's Church School year concludes Grace expresses gratitude for all the leaders who help fulfill the vows the congregation makes at each baptism to encourage children to follow the way of Jesus and be members of his church.

Anne Mohtadi has given countless hours coordinating Grace's Church School, helping teachers lead this thriving ministry. Grace give thanks to God for Anne's faithfulness in sharing her time and talents, and her love of Christ with the children and youth of the congregation.



Grace also gives thanks to the teachers and helpers of Grace Church School, who shared their gifts and love of God with the children and youth in this past year. Their leadership has meant so much to the children and youth, as they learned what it means to follow Jesus Christ. We thank God for the following teachers and leaders: Pre K-K: Samantha Vanhuigenbos, Henrietta Vanhuigenbos, Abuk, Adauny, Chisom Okongwu. Grade 1-3: Flora Stephenson, Nyathyang, Doch, Anne Mohtadi. Grade 5-6: Kim Reid-Smith, Richard Kim, Brenda Robertson. Youth: Ryan Kellough, Joanne Kellough, Irene Robinson, Jennifer Shinlee, Ken Lee. Rovers: Sujung Ko, Ephraim Porter, Cindy Stephenson. Thank you!

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

[www.gracechurchcalgary.com/connect/volunteer/](http://www.gracechurchcalgary.com/connect/volunteer/)

### **Deacon of Welcome and Hospitality**

The Deacon of Welcome and Hospitality is a new volunteer role meant to help strengthen Grace's ministry of welcome, support Grace's team of welcomers and improve connections with newcomers. The requirements for volunteering to be the Deacon of Welcome and Hospitality include being present for most Sunday worship services, and working collaboratively with Grace's ministers, staff, and volunteers to help identify ways for Grace to better model Christian hospitality.

To learn more about volunteering for this role, please contact Cindy Stephenson, Coordinator of Volunteers, at [volunteers@gracecalgary.org](mailto:volunteers@gracecalgary.org)

### **Engagement & Service Committee**

The Engagement & Service Committee welcomes additional members to bring vision and skills to the variety of community service and social justice partnerships and programs the Engagement & Service Committee oversees. Current Engagement and Services initiatives include operating the Satellite Food Bank, supporting newcomers through the English Language Learners program, co-sponsoring a refugee family, and encouraging environmental stewardship. This Committee typically meets the evening of the 4th Monday each month, by Zoom.

To learn more about volunteering to be a part of Grace's Engagement & Service Committee, please contact Cindy Stephenson, Coordinator of Volunteers, at [volunteers@gracecalgary.org](mailto:volunteers@gracecalgary.org)

## Grace Events

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### **Wild Grace: Summer Gathering**

**Wednesday, July 3 6:30—7:15 p.m.**

**Confederation Park** (meet in St. Giles Parking Lot, 1102 23 Ave NW)

Wild Grace is an invitation to gather and be present with the divine grace that flows wild and free in the world!

Here are the details about Wild Grace:

Wild Grace is a time of reflection and connection at Confederation Park (“Experience nature in the city” <https://www.calgary.ca/parks/confederation-park.html#NaturalPlayground>) on Wednesday, July 3 from 6:30 -7:15 p.m. (meet in the St. Giles Presbyterian Church Parking Lot, 1102 23 Ave. NW) All are welcome!

The purpose of Wild Grace is to connect with the land and with one another by enjoying and being present with the “wild” world. These gatherings will offer a time of learning, a time of contemplation and reflection, and a time of fellowship.

### **Summer Reading - Growing in Faith**

What have you read recently that grabbed your attention, strengthened your spiritual life, or challenged you?

Suggestions for summer reading are available in a printed list and available to be picked up on the welcome tables at the North and South entrances to Grace’s Sanctuary or by contacting the church office at (403) 244-5861 or [office@gracecalgary.org](mailto:office@gracecalgary.org).

Happy Reading!

Grace’s Spiritual Growth Committee



## 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



With support from Presbyterians Sharing, the Newcomers Mission has faithfully been gathering and offering services and spiritual support to newly arrived immigrants and refugees in the Peterborough area since 2016. Like the soft, protective wings of a dove, the programming of Newcomers Mission provides refuge and care for people living through very difficult and vulnerable situations. One wing of the ministry represents the spiritual side through worship services, prayer meetings and house visits. The other wing is the social and cultural side, helping newcomers to access support services, obtain employment and provide English language teaching and translation services. The two wings work together so that the newcomers can succeed and belong.

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