

FULLNESS OF GOD
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 28, 2024
10:30 a.m.



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. Chris Joiner
Lead Minister

The Rev. Jake Van Pernis
Associate Minister

Matt Kallio
Music Coordinator

Please find Online Worship at:
www.gracechurchcalgary.com



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Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious and generous God,
we gather each week to be encountered by your Word,
trusting that your grace will transform us.
We confess that our faith can waver.
We long for certainty, believing that we are able,
by our own wits,
to comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth
of your love for us.
We forget that faith is a gift, given only by your grace.
Forgive us, loving God, and root us in the power of your Spirit.
Renew our trust in you.
Set us free to serve you with joy.**

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

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

Time with Young Christians

Prayer for Understanding

Ian Charter

Scripture Readings **Ephesians 3:14-21**
 John 6:1-21

Sermon **Fullness of God**

Affirmation of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation;
in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible.
All things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.
He is the head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning,
the firstborn of the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

Hymn 348 Tell me the stories of Jesus

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

Flora Stephenson

Offertory Thy Secret Place

F. Mendelssohn

Ian Charter and Dick Willott, voice
Colleen Charter, piano

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 across the hall from the Sanctuary
- ◇ 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.

August 4 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Jake Van Pernis

August 11 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Dr. Chris Joiner

Mystery and Majesty: The Doxology of Ephesians

This summer join Grace Presbyterian Church as we walk through Ephesians, a poetic expression of praise and wonder at the blessings of God and the summons of God to lives shaped by thanksgiving. Each Sunday from now through August 25 will be centered on a portion of Ephesians, listening for the ways God is calling to us through the words of Paul. It is a letter that celebrates the individual Christian's relationship to God through Christ and to our neighbours. It is also a letter for Grace Presbyterian Church as much as it was for the church long ago. Ephesians invites us to consider the mystery and majesty of God's will and way for Christian believers, the church, and the world.

Vision, Mission, and Values

The front of the Sunday bulletin always places before us the Vision, Mission and Values of Grace Presbyterian Church. These were discerned after a time of prayer, discussion, and listening for the Holy Spirit. Even though these have been committed to paper, they are living words, working in and among and through us by Christ to form us into people that reflect the power and promise of the vision of transformation, the mission of growth, love and social change, and the values of belonging, community, compassion, engagement and service. As a member or adherent at Grace, you are invited to take time regularly to prayerfully consider how you can join in this Vision and Mission and the Values, all to the glory of God.

Schedule of Days Off For Grace's Ministers

The schedule for Grace's ministers' days off during the week when they will be away from Grace and the work of Grace is:

Rev. Chris Joiner will be off on Thursdays and Saturdays.

Rev. Jake Van Pernis will be off on Fridays and Saturdays.

Minister Away

Jake is on vacation through Sunday July 28.

Grace Kids and Youth

Summer Church School for Pre-K through Grade 6!

Summer Church School is an opportunity for children to connect with God's love and learn what it means to be followers of Jesus. Through July and August during Sunday worship at Grace, all children who are Pre-K up to Grade 6 are invited to go downstairs following the *Time With Young Christians* in Grace's order of worship to take part in learning about scripture, activities, and arts and crafts led by Heather-Rose Locken and Mariko Johnson with help from Nya and Doch.

[Grace Updates](#)

www.gracechurchcalgary.com/news/



Grace Gives Thanks

We give thanks for the generosity of volunteers such as Cathy Caldwell, Mary Jardine and Susan Mendonça who are giving of their time through the summer to help in the Church Office. These gifts of time and talent in the service of God bring blessings.

Name Tags

Grace's Spiritual Growth Committee is excited to announce it is launching a project to provide permanent name tags for all members and adherents of Grace Presbyterian Church. The project will run through summer with sign-up sheets for name tags at the welcome tables at Grace's North and South entrances. Please be sure to sign up if you would like a name tag. Thanks!

[Volunteer Opportunities](#)

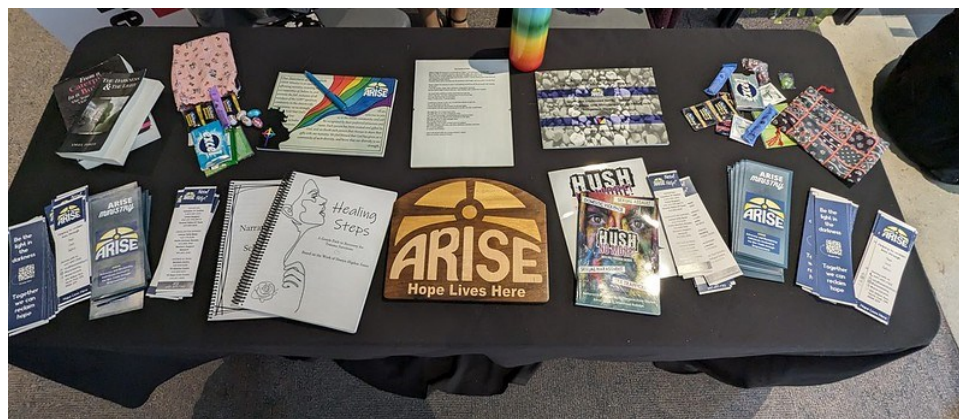
www.gracechurchcalgary.com/connect/volunteer/

Church School Leaders and Helpers

The fall season of Grace's Church School will soon be here. The Spiritual Growth Committee has chosen a great curriculum, *Feasting on the Word*, and there will be opportunities over the next few weeks to learn more about it. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to help support the faith formation of our children and youth.

To learn more about this or other opportunities to serve God's mission through Grace Presbyterian Church, please contact Cindy Stephenson, Coordinator of Volunteers, at volunteers@gracecalgary.org.

Mission Moment



With support from Presbyterians Sharing, ARISE Ministry provides compassionate outreach and spiritual care to survivors of sexual exploitation, trauma, and abuse in the Greater Toronto Area. This past spring, ARISE partnered with the production company of "Angel's Bone," the Pulitzer Prize-winning opera that follows two vulnerable youths who are lured into exploitative relationships by their traffickers. Along with members of the production team, ARISE engaged in an awareness and education campaign about human trafficking in Canada leading up to the performances. ARISE was also present for Q&A sessions after each performance to provide context for the show and to highlight ongoing efforts in Toronto and Canada to combat trafficking.

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