

# Fall at Grace

**ORANGE SHIRT SUNDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 10:30 AM**

**WORSHIP ONLINE:**

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

## **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



**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 **Kyrie**

Francois Couperin

### **Dialogue**

Louis Marchand

*Worship begins with the Prelude. We invite you to centre yourself as you listen and acknowledge the Spirit gathering you into this community of worship.*

### Welcome and Announcements

**Jim Campbell**

*Welcome to all who are guests with us. If comfortable doing so, please let us know you are here by filling out the card located in the pew and placing it in the offering plate when passed.*

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

**Goanar**

*Please stand in body or spirit with the choir*

### Introit **O Lord, hear my prayer**

*Taizé*

### Call to Worship

**Jake Van Pernis**

Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

We come yearning to be transformed and redirected to paths of justice  
and in ways of love.

**We pray for God's transforming grace as we worship.**

### Hymn **431 Jesus, where'er thy people meet** *The Book of Praise (Blue Hymnal)*

### Prayer of Adoration

## Rite of Reconciliation

*Please be seated*

### Invitation

### Prayer of Confession

**We confess that we have  
failed to pray for those who suffer,  
ignored the needs of others,  
and not sought peace or worked for justice.  
And we confess the sins of your church,  
especially those that blinded us to your image in others:  
in thinking that our culture was superior to others,  
in the lack of vision and compassion that led to  
running schools that separated children from their families,  
in the errors of action and inaction that perpetuated oppression  
among our Indigenous neighbours.  
Forgive us, Holy One, for we are truly repentant.  
Transform our living in ways that bring true reconciliation.  
Bring us back to your truth, for the sake of your dear name.**

### Assurance of Pardon

### The Peace

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

**Anthem Prayer for our time**

“Prospect” arranged by Hal Hopson

**Time with Young Christians**

**Chris Joiner**

*Children age 4 through Grade 6 are invited to Church School following this time.*

**Prayer for Understanding**

**Nyathyang**

**Scripture Readings**

**Psalm 124 (Responsive, Sing Refrain I)**

*The Book of Psalms (red)*

**James 5:13-20**

Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 204

**Sermon *Let the Church Now Say***

**Hymn 471 We are one in the Spirit** <sup>OL</sup>

*The Book of Praise (Blue Hymnal)*

*Please stand in body or spirit with the choir*

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

*Please be seated*

**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**

**Henrietta Van Huigenbos**

**Offertory Kyrie Eleison**

*Taizé*

*(Lord have mercy)*

*Please stand in body or spirit with the choir*

**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 428 We love your house, O God**

*The Book of Praise (Blue Hymnal)*

**Benediction**

**Sending Hymn 780 Amen**

*The Book of Praise (Blue Hymnal)*

*Please be seated*

**Postlude Chaconne in g minor**

**Louis Couperin**

*The end of the Postlude marks the end of our service. We invite you to join in a time of fellowship in the Family Room, located across the hall from the Sanctuary.*

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## Life and Work at Grace Church

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### **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/](http://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.

### **October Worship at Grace: *Faith in Twilight***

In October Grace is going to transition to exploring the Book of Job. Job was a righteous person who nevertheless underwent significant suffering. Through his story, the Hebrew people wrestled with what it means that the righteous suffer. It was a challenge to a theology that equated faith with health and prosperity, and it remains a challenge to that theology today too. May the Spirit guide our time with Job's story so we too can learn what it means to walk with faith in twilight.

October 6	World Communion Sunday Psalm 26; Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Sermon: "Consider Job"	The Rev. Dr. Chris Joiner
October 6	Evening Grace Taizé at the Table - Communion 7:00 p.m. in Grace Chapel (access through North Chapel Door)	

### **Today is Orange Shirt Sunday**

In recognition of the path of Truth and Reconciliation Grace is on with its Indigenous neighbours and as a way of signifying commitment to this journey, many today are wearing orange. To learn more about why the colour orange is significant for the work of Truth and Reconciliation please read more here: [presbyterian.ca/2023/09/28/orange-shirt-day-and-the-national-day-for-truth-and-reconciliation/](http://presbyterian.ca/2023/09/28/orange-shirt-day-and-the-national-day-for-truth-and-reconciliation/)

### **Reconciliation Runner on Grace's Communion Table**

The Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod's Reconciliation Runner is meant to be a teaching tool, a visual reminder of the need for reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, and stir reflection on the work of Truth and Reconciliation.

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### *Reconciliation Runner, continued...*

The design choices including colours, patterns, and individual fabric reference themes common to various Indigenous ways of knowing. Examples include:

The "Bear's Paw" pattern is a reminder of how the bear in many Indigenous cultures represents courage or bravery; this design is an effective reminder that acts of reconciliation take courage. The floral border shows an abundance of flowers in various sizes and stages of growth to serve as a reminder of the growth and new ways of being reconciliation invites us into.

Many of the fabric patterns are free flowing and loosely structured to represent how many Indigenous cultures embrace and value organic thought process, connectedness to the whole of creation, and an openness to how life is often multi-dimensional.

The colours of the "Bear's Paw" in the pattern reference colours that many Indigenous cultures associate with the Spirit Wheel or Medicine Wheel. The green background is representative of the importance of the land in Indigenous cultures. The orange border is meant to emphasize the importance of working together towards reconciliation and that we each have a responsibility in this work.

### **Condolences**

Grace extends sympathy to the family and friends of Shirley Walker. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Grace Chapel on Friday, October 4 with a reception following in the Family Room.

Grace extends sympathy to the family and friends of Linda Brown who died earlier this month. Information regarding a service will be communicated as it becomes available.

### **Grace Kids and Youth**

#### **Sr. High Youth Lunch**

All Senior High Youth (Grades 10-12) are invited to Youth Lunch on Sunday, September 29. Youth Lunch is an opportunity to grab some food from a local spot after worship at Grace and foster fellowship and community. Please meet in the pews on the north side of Grace's Sanctuary. The Sr. High Youth Lunch will conclude at 1:00 p.m.

## Music Notes

This morning's music highlights the French baroque organ school of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries with examples of a dialogue by Louis Marchand (1669-1732), a Kyrie from an organ mass by Francois Couperin (1668-1733) and a Chaconne by Louis Couperin (1626-1661).

The Chaconne, a popular form in the baroque was based on a repeating pattern, often in triple time, that varied the music over a repeated bassline or harmony.

The words of the hymn, "Jesus, where'er thy people meet," were written by William Cowper (1731-1800) in 1769 to celebrate the opening of a prayer room at the Great House, Olney, as a meeting room and printed in Book II of Olney Hymns (1779). The opening of a place of worship is paradoxically used to make the point that God transcends all boundaries and therefore every place is sacred to the Christian. Transcendence and intimacy are combined in the idea that God who defies all limitation is nonetheless willing to dwell within 'the humble mind'.

Source: *The Canterbury Dictionary of Hymnology*



## Grace Updates

### Grace Gives Thanks

Grace gives thanks to Chris Crooks, SuJung Ko, Ephraim Porter, and Rob Strother-Stewart for sharing in the operation of the sound system during Sunday morning worship and Stephen who has been assisting with the livestream. Grace gives thanks for their dedication to this important service!

### Grace Fall Newsletter is Now Available!

Grace is excited to announce that the Fall Newsletter has been printed and is now available. You can pick up a copy at the church or read it online at

[gracecalgary.com/newsletter](http://gracecalgary.com/newsletter).

This quarterly newsletter offers in-depth stories, updates, and reflections that will keep you connected to the life and mission of Grace Presbyterian Church. Be sure to stay informed about what's happening in our community.

### Grace 2023 Photo Directories

Grace's 2023 Photo Directories are available for pick up in the Family Room following worship on Sunday, September 29. Directories are available for individuals/families who had photos taken by the photographer or who submitted photos, and members who recently joined Grace. Additional copies will be distributed as supplies allow.

## **Volunteer Opportunities** [www.gracechurchcalgary.com/connect/volunteer/](http://www.gracechurchcalgary.com/connect/volunteer/)

### **Engagement & Service Committee Members**

The Engagement and Service Committee oversees Grace's community and social justice partnerships and programs: operating the Satellite Food Bank, supporting newcomers to Canada, helping neighbours in need and encouraging environmental stewardship through various initiatives. The committee typically meets in the evening on the fourth Monday of the month via Zoom. Two more members to help guide this important missional work are needed.

### **Nursery Helper**

Grace offers the hospitality of a nursery staffed each week with a supervisor and volunteers, allowing parents to attend worship knowing their young children (18 months to 3 years old) are in a safe and caring environment. One more volunteer to be present one Sunday per month is needed.

### **Decorating the Sanctuary for Thanksgiving Sunday**

Volunteers are requested to purchase and arrange seasonal produce and related decorations around Grace's sanctuary in preparation for Thanksgiving on Sunday, October 13.

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

### **Cake Bake 2024: Volunteer Request**

#### **Friday, Oct. 18 to Friday, Oct. 25**

Grace's Cake Bake is celebrating 62 amazing years, thanks to your support and volunteer efforts. The schedule for Cake Bake is a little different this year and here is the schedule:

Friday, Oct. 18: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: Delivery Day

Saturday, Oct. 19: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: Preparation Day

Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 21 and 22: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Production Days

Tuesday to Thursday, Oct. 22, 23, 24: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.: Baking Cakes

Tuesday to Friday, Oct. 22, 23, 24, 25: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Wrapping Cakes

Friday, Oct. 25: 9:00 am: Cleanup

If you are interested in volunteering please speak with Barbara Henson who helps coordinate Grace's Cake Bake volunteers or contact Grace's Office at [office@gracecalgary.org](mailto:office@gracecalgary.org) or (403)-244-5861.



## Grace Events

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



### **Lectionary Bible Study**

Grace's weekly Lectionary Bible Study continues on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., in Grace's Family Room. It will run until October 16. All are welcome to attend.

### ***Resonant Reflections: music for Cello and Piano***

Sunday September 29, Grace Sanctuary, 2:00 p.m.

Experience an exquisite afternoon of music featuring Liz Tremblay on cello and Matthew Kallio on piano. Dive into the depths of classical music and let every note resonate with your soul.

Tickets: \$22.50 (pre-sale on Eventbrite [Resonant Reflections: music for cello and piano Tickets, Sun, Sep 29, 2024 at 2:00 PM | Eventbrite](#) ) or \$30 (at the door)

Don't miss out - get your tickets now!



### **Grace at a Glance - October:**

- October 6 Bible and Donuts Youth Bible Study
- October 6 World Communion Sunday and Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
- October 6 Evening Grace -Taizé at the Table
- October 13 Thanksgiving / Harvest Sunday
- October 15 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Evening Service
- October 16 World Food Day Speaker
- October 19 Wild Grace at Confederation Park
- October 20 Worship at Grace, Living Our Faith Course (Session 2)
- October 20 Organ Concert "extravORGANza
- October 26 Trunk N Treat and Open Mic Night
- October 27 Reformation Sunday, Sr. High Game Night



## **Congregational Lunch: *Every Perfect Gift***

### **October 6, following worship**

Grace congregation and volunteers are invited to a luncheon after worship on October 6 at Grace, to celebrate the service of over 200 individuals.

### **Save the date - Lunch and Learn**

Grace's Pastoral Care & Connection Committee will be offering a Lunch n Learn, "Growing with Resilience: Uncovering the Possibilities", on Saturday, November 2, 2024, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and with lunch from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

## **Community Events**

### **Grace Presbyterian Church's Trunk N Treat and Open Mic Night**

**Saturday, October 26** in Grace's South Parking Lot and Sanctuary.

Join us for a fun-filled evening of community and creativity!

#### **Trunk N Treat**

**5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**Candy Donations Needed:** We are requesting donations of candy to ensure a sweet experience for all the kids. Please drop off your candy donations in the designated bins located in Grace's Family Room.

**Volunteers to Host a Trunk:** We need volunteers to decorate their car trunks and hand out treats. Sign up with Grace's Coordinator of Volunteers, Cindy Stephenson at [cindys@gracecalgary.org](mailto:cindys@gracecalgary.org) or by contacting Grace's Office at [office@gracecalgary.org](mailto:office@gracecalgary.org) or (403)-244-5861.

#### **Open Mic Night**

**7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

**Showcase Your Talent:** Whether you sing, play an instrument, recite poetry, or have another talent to share, we want to see it! Sign up to perform at the open mic by contacting Matt Kallio at [mattk@gracecalgary.org](mailto:mattk@gracecalgary.org) or on-line at: <https://gracechurchcalgary.com/open-mic>

Let's come together for an evening of fellowship, fun, and fantastic performances. Looking forward to seeing you there!

## **The Presbyterian Church in Canada's part in Truth and Reconciliation**

**September 30** is National Truth and Reconciliation Day and is also known as "Orange Shirt Day." Orange Shirt Day began in 1973 when six-year-old Phyllis Webstad entered the St. Joseph Mission Residential School in B.C.

Phyllis was wearing a new orange shirt that her grandmother had given her for her first day of school—but the Mission Oblates quickly stripped her of her new shirt and replaced it with the school's institutional uniform. (Visit [orangeshirtday.org](http://orangeshirtday.org) for the full story about Phyllis Webstad and her experience.)

Wearing an orange shirt on September 30 is one way of showing support for Survivors and intergenerational Survivors whose lives have been impacted by the Residential Schools.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada ran 11 Residential Schools across Canada, including the Stoney Plain Residential School in Alberta. Residential Schools were a significant part of attempts to erase Indigenous identity and culture. The idea that European Christians were superior to non-Christian people was set out in a series of 15th century papal bulls (decrees) which are called the Doctrine of Discovery.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada has formally repudiated the Doctrine of Discovery in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action 46ii (A&P 2019, pp. 35, 368–377), offered a confession in 1994 for our role in running Residential Schools, and at the most recent General Assembly offered an official apology for its complicity in Colonization and the Residential School System. These are first steps inviting every person in the church to be committed to healing and stopping the intergenerational harms of racism and genocide.

### **Prayer for Monday, September 30 (Orange Shirt Day) from The Presbyterian Church in Canada's Prayer Partnership**

Dear God,

Today we honour Survivors of Residential Schools, children who died because of Residential Schools and members of their families.

Having rejected the Doctrine of Discovery, help us commit to walk in ways that will end anti-Indigenous racism. Amen.

## GRACE LEADERSHIP AND STAFF

### Session Elders

Nancy Connors  
Mark Durieux  
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Nancy Connors - *Hospital and Health Care*  
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