

Desiderata: Original Text

This is the original text from the book where Desiderata was first published.

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

by Max Ehrmann ©1927

In Wellness and Love: As a community of faith, we are a family. Our concern for each other includes a desire to keep us all well and safe there fore we recommend masks but they not required, distancing can still happen if you wish, and hand sanitizer is at each entrance.

Upcoming Services and Dates:
SERVICES CAN BE VIEWED ON GRACE YOUTUBE CHANNEL, WHICH CAN BE
ACCESSED THROUGH OUR WEBSITE: www.graceunitedtavistock.com
Sept 25th: 10:30 am Worship Service led by Rev. Mary Boland Sunday School Refreshments, light snack and social time follows in Zion Hall - All are welcome Fundscrip orders are due
Sept 29th: 7:00 pm Choir Practice
Sept 30th: Orange Shirt Day and National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Oct 2nd: World Wide Communion Sunday Worship Service led by Rev. Young Seo Sunday School Refreshments, light snack and social time follows in Zion Hall - All are welcome
Oct 4th: 1:30 pm UCW. Roll Call: Bring a paper product for TAP
Oct 5th: 10:00 - 11:30 am Sit n' Knit, Stay n' Crochet
Oct 6th: 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Emergency Pastoral Care. Rev. Marg Smith is covering emergency pastoral care she can be reached at 289 929 0707.

Members of the Care & Communication team are also always available for support.





We continue to look for people to provide a snack and drink after church. Everyone loves this opportunity to socialize. Please have a look at the schedule in Zion Hall and sign up as you are able.

The search committee and Rev. Young Seo have agreed to her being our half time minister for a 6 month period at Grace United Church. The official board confirmed this decision at their Wednesday evening meeting. We are now awaiting approval from Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council so that we may soon begin this new ministry together.

> <u>Contact us</u> Carol Young: cell number 519-301-1356 tavigraceyouth@gmail.com Office: 519 655 2151 graceunitedtavistock@gmail.com E-transfer donation email: gracetavistockdonation@rogers.com

<u>Office Hours</u> Katherine Brenneman Thurs. 9:30 – 2:30 pm

Care and Communication TeamJean Lowe 519 655 3205Joanne Bean 519 276 1733Elizabeth Halliday 519 655 2246Mary Ann Krantz 519 272 4072

Do you have a prayer request?

"In all things let your requests be known to God in prayer." (Philippians 4:6)

Grace has a group of wonderful and dedicated people that form a prayer chain. If you, or anyone you know is in need of prayer, please reach out to the chair of Grace PCO,

Bev Neeb 519 655-2695, or the office (graceunitedtavistock@gmail.com - emails checked regularly or 519 655 2151 - phone messages checked on Thursdays) and we will begin praying for you.

- + pray for Susan Humphrey who is dealing with health challenges. She is thankful for the emails and cards that have been a huge source of comfort over the last 4 months.
- + pray for Sherman Kropf as he continues to deal with health challenges.
- + pray for Jack and Claudette Wettlaufer who are experiencing health challenges.
- + pray for Brenda Mohr and her sister Jackie as Jackie deals with a cancer diagnosis.



Again this year Grace will be collecting items for the Tavistock Assistance Program (TAP) as part of our Thanksgiving offering. Boxes will be placed at both our church entrances to accept your donations up to Oct. 9. This is a paper and cleaning product collection so things like three-hole lined paper for students, paper

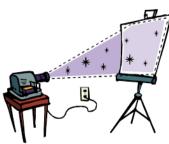
items. TAP is excited about receiving our donations and grateful for our efforts.



Reminder to send in your dates for the October Calendar. Our calendar of services and activities is now available online. You can easily keep up to date by visiting our website <u>Calendar Page</u>. Click on any activity or service for more details.

Send dates to the office at graceunitedtavistock@gmail.com

AV Team Members Needed! We are very excited that we are once again recording the service and making them available for online worship. We have a very dedicated AV crew who does an excellent job of making our services available online—however they could always use more help. If this is something you think you could help with please reach out to Katherine in the office or talk to any AV



member on Sunday morning. Our AV team is willing to offer training on how to run the power point or record the service on the camera. This is an exciting opportunity to enhance our worship services with technology and provide ministry for those unable to attend in person.

Check out our website to see our online worship services.

https://www.graceunitedtavistock.com/past-worship-services.html



Letter to the Board:

To the members of Grace United Church Board,

The Tavistock Agricultural Society was pleased to present an almost traditional fall fair this year. The absence of the church booth was felt by a lot of our fair goers and vendors. We acknowledge that it is hard to find volunteers. The Ag Society would like to offer you an alternative. This would be a much smaller version of the booth with offerings of ice cream and refreshments like coffee, pop, water. The vendors expressed their concern with not being able to get coffee without leaving the arena. The Optimist club did provide hamburgers and were very busy. The Ag Society will hold your spot for a while but we will have to reach out to other organizations if this option won't work for you. Let us know your thoughts by December, 2022.

Secretary Chris Wiffen Tavistock Agricultural Society

A suggestion was made that some church groups may consider taking this on as a fundraising project. Perhaps each group could take a morning, afternoon, or evening time slot. Let Katherine know if your group may be interested.



Do you buy groceries, gas, household items, shop at department or renovation stores, do you eat in restaurants, go to the movies or need gifts for holidays, birthdays & special events? FundScrip is a fundraising program that lets our group raise much needed funds simply by purchasing gift cards to the stores you are already shopping at. You purchase a \$100 grocery card and your will receive a \$100 gift card and a

percentage of your purchase will be donated to our fundraising campaign.

Monthly Mini Financial Report

Year to Date		Jan - Sep	15		
	2021			2022	
Anniversary		0			0
Core Receipts		75,694			58,002
Other Donations		1,000			2,500 UCW
Misc. Receipts					
Fundraising	1,040			4,469	
HST Rebate	606			1,682	
Manse Rental	7,875			7,875	
СЕВА	20,000				
Misc.	5,889	35,410		833	14,859
Total Receipts		112,104			75,361
Expenses		122,166			98,255
Surplus/Deficit		-10,062			-22,894

We would like to remind our Community of Faith of ways they can support:

- Donations received by cash or cheque on Sunday morning during worship or sent by mail to Grace United Church PO Box 189 Tavistock ON NOB 2R0.
- Donations can easily be sent by etransfer to gracetavistockdonation@rogers.com. Security question is 'When was the new addition built' the answer should be Grace1980. Please give any special donation instruction in the message.
- Or if you aren't already you can easily ensure your donations are received every month by signing up for Pre Authorized Remittance (PAR). Click the link for more info <u>PAR</u> <u>Brochure and Authorization Form</u>.

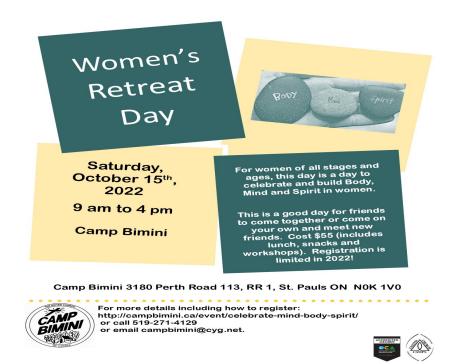
Thank you for supporting the life and work of Grace United Church



Camp Bimini On-line Auction Coming This Fall!

To donate an item for the auction, email treasurer@campbimini.ca to arrange pick up by October 1





On September 30, people all across Canada will wear orange shirts to remember and honour Indigenous children who were taken from their communities and families to residential institutions.

This year, Indigenous communities across the country continue to share the truth they have always known: that many of the children who never returned home remain on the grounds of those institutions in unmarked burial sites. These communities are now seeking to honour the missing children.

On Orange Shirt Day we also observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. For non-Indigenous Christians in particular, this is a time to reflect on their role in colonialism and the ongoing responsibility to make reparations.





Giving Hope Today

The Salvation Army Mobile Food Bank Truck will be in Tavistock (back parking lot of Grace United Church) from 1:30-3pm every 3rd Wednesday of the month from now until December. People can drop by for food or call our Stratford office (519-271-2950) to book an appointment. Community members are more than welcome to drop off non perishable food donations during this time as well.