

GOOD NEWS AT GRACE

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Earth Prayers

The beauty of the trees,
the softness of the air,
the fragrance of the grass,
speaks to me.

The summit of the mountain,
the thunder of the sky,
the rhythm of the sea,
speaks to me.

The faintness of the stars,
the freshness of the morning,
the dewdrop on the flower,
speaks to me.

The strength of fire,
the taste of salmon,
the trail of the sun,
and the life that never goes away,
they speak to me.

And my hearts soars.
- Chief Dan George



Sunday August 6th is Visiting Sunday, there is no worship service at Grace. We encourage you to visit with another faith community or revisit one of Grace's recorded services on our [YouTube Channel](#).

Upcoming Services and Dates

SERVICES CAN BE VIEWED ONLINE AT GRACE YOUTUBE CHANNEL

[‘Grace United Tavistock’](#)

Aug. 6th: Visiting Sunday. Grace will not have a worship service, we encourage you to visit another community of faith or watch a previously recorded service from our [YouTube Chanel](#).

Aug. 12th: 10:00 am Classic Car Show - Maples Parking Lot

Aug. 13th: 10:30 am Ecumenical Service in the Park.

Aug 16th: 1:30 - 3:00 pm Salvation Army Stratford-St. Marys Region Mobile Food Bank - front parking lot. Call 519 271 2950 or see their [Facebook](#).

Aug. 20th: 10:30 am Worship service in Zion Hall led by Rev. Marg Smith. Worship will not be recorded. All are welcome for a light snack, refreshments and social time in Zion Hall following.

Aug. 27th: 10:30 am Worship Service in Zion Hall led by Teresa Coulthard. Worship will not be recorded. All are welcome for a light snack, refreshments and social time in Zion Hall following.

2:00 pm Grace United Church Grave Decoration and Memorial Service led by Rev. Mary Boland.

All dates and events can be found on our website calendar as well.



Link to the calendar: [GraceUC Calendar](#)

Summer newsletters

During the summer months there will be a reduced number of newsletters sent out. Please take this into consideration for any announcements you may have. We are also welcoming any front page ideas and submissions you have to share.

Schedule is: Aug 4th newsletter
Aug 11th newsletter
Aug 18th and 25th NO newsletter
Sept 1st Newsletter



Rev Marg is away on holiday July 31 to Aug 7. While she is away please contact Rev Maggie Dieter for emergency pastoral care needs. 416.520.3280

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Office Hours (please call ahead for an appointment)

Rev. Marg Smith, Thursdays 9:30 - 3:30 pm

Katherine Brenneman, Thursdays 9:30 - 2:30 pm

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 Rev Marg Smith 289 926 0707 and we will begin praying for you.

- ✝ pray for Yvonne Pletsch and family as they mourn the passing of Larry Pletsch.
- ✝ pray for Brenda Mohr as she copes with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Keith Weitzel as he deals with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Brian Gerber as he struggles with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Marg Pletsch as she deals with health issues.
- ✝ pray for Laverne McBurney as he deals with health issues.

Regional Council Prayer Circles for the United Church of Canada, WOW



Region. Each week a different Community of Faith is mentioned in prayers, last week Tavistock (Grace) Pastoral Charge received prayers. EDGE sent us a message to let us know we were in their prayers and we are appreciative to all those who remembered Grace in their prayers.

Please see the [Prayer Circle](#) website for prayers each week. This week please pray for the Community of Faith of Chesley Pastoral Charge.

Sunday August 13, 2023 – 10:30 AM

Ecumenical Worship Service in the Park

hosted by the Tavistock Ministerial at Queens Park Pavilion in Tavistock

Bring your own chair. An offering time during our worship will give opportunity to support individual congregations and the ministry of Tavistock Assistance Program (TAP). Offering envelopes will be provided for TAP donations. Following the service everyone is invited to stay for the annual BBQ fundraiser hosted by the TAP board members and volunteers. We hope you can come to worship, eat and fellowship together.





Congratulations to Breanne Tuffnail and Corey Tuffnail on the birth of their son Colter John Tuffnail. He was welcomed on July 25th at 7:30PM. He came a little early so he is just a small guy coming in at 5 lbs 2 oz and 45 cm long. He was born at Stratford Hospital. Proud Great Grand Parents are Ron and Donna Rudy.



Grace UC Booth at the Tavistock Fall Fair Sept 8 - 10

Thanks to each person who has volunteered to help in any way with the food booth at the Tavistock fair. We still need folk to help move things from the church to the arena and back again, as well as some more bakers and help at the booth on both Saturday and Sunday. You will be updated again closer to the fair dates, Your committee, Anne Gregory, Mary Boland and Marianne Ruby

Message from M&P,

Thank you to our dedicated staff at Grace who are all an integral part of our Community of Faith. The M&P committee conduct staff reviews yearly to review job descriptions and have an open conversation with them. Every year there are minor tweaks to every job description to make use of the most updated resources available to each of them. Please remember to thank the staff for a job well done.

If you or your committee has a scheduled event or a meeting, please note it on the calendar in the front hall. Communication is key to ensuring that the church is cleaned and that there are no double bookings. As a reminder the custodian is no longer responsible for setup of tables and chairs for committee meetings or events.

Thank you to any volunteers who have stepped in to make repairs for the Property Committee. If anyone sees something that needs to be repaired contact the property committee or a board member and they will do their best to look after.

Submitted by members of the M&P Committee

Chris Wiffen, Carol Shewfelt, Suanne Wettlaufer, Tory Zehr and our newest member Monica Shantz

Saturday Sept 30

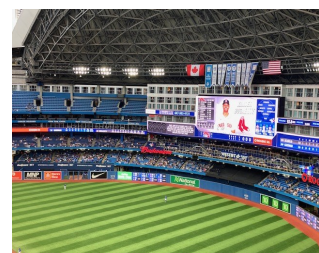
Blue Jays vs. Tampa Bay Rays

Badder highway coach pickup at Grace at 12 noon

Cost is \$65.00 Please reserve your seat ASAP.

Contact Rev Marg at

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Approx. View from seats