

September 8, 2024, Sixteenth after Pentecost
Rev. Lynn Hamilton

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge our Creator and the world around us and our place within it. We acknowledge the many nations who call this land home. We acknowledge the Indigenous and non-Indigenous brothers and sisters who walked this land in the past and those who walk it today, this, the traditional and treaty lands of the Anishinaabeg (Ahnish-in-nah-beg), Neutral, and Haudenosaunee (Ho-deh-no-show-nee) peoples.

Welcome and Announcements

The Bible is Opened and Christ Candle Lit

Outreach Focused Time

Call to Worship (responsive)

Put your confidence in God.

We have God as our helper and so we rejoice.

God gives justice to the oppressed and food to the hungry.

God frees the prisoners and opens the eyes of the blind.

So put your trust in God's goodness.

May God's goodness endure forever! Let us worship God.

Gathering Hymn –VU #595 We are Pilgrims

Opening Prayer & Confession (unison)

Eternal God,

You are our beginning and our end.

You gave breath to all living things.

**By your Spirit, you come among us this day,
breathing new life into our familiar patterns,
as the gift you offer us through Christ Jesus.**

By your grace, you open new possibilities for the world you love. So we offer you our lives in worship and in service, joining our voices with all your creatures, to offer you honour and blessing, glory and gratitude, now and always. God of mercy, you keep an eye out for those who dwell on the margins of life. We confess we fail to keep our eyes open for those on the margins. We have been silent when we should have spoken up in the face of injustice. Our generosity to others does not match what you offer us. Forgive us for thinking of ourselves first. Renew our commitment to show others the kindness we meet in Jesus Christ. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Hymn - VU # #326 O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

Prayer for Illumination

May the God whom we know through Jesus the Christ be present among and within us this day as we hear the gospel, sing the hymns and reflect on the Word. Amen.

Time for the Young at Heart

Anthem/Soloist

Scripture Reading: James 2:1- 17, Mark 7:24-37

Sharing Good News

Hymn – VU #600 When I needed a neighbour

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Offering

Doxology VU MV # 191 What Can I Do?

What Can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy, I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Prayer of Dedication of Offering

Invitation to Prayer – VU#148 Jesus, Remember Me

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses As we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory. Forever and ever. Amen.

WE TAKE CHRIST'S MESSAGE INTO THE WORLD

Hymn – VU # 606 In Christ there is no East and West

Benediction and Commissioning

Go Now in Peace Go now in peace, never be afraid

God will go with you each hour of everyday

Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true

Know He will guide you in all you do

Go now in Love and show you believe

Reach out to others, so all the world can see

God will be there, watching from above

Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen, Amen, Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our church! Please fill out the ‘Let’s Celebrate Together’ form at the back of the sanctuary and place it in the manila envelope provided. Alternatively, please email your contact details to the church administrator

graceunitedportdover@gmail.com

Bible Study returns in October

Subject is - *The books of Colossians & Philemon: N.T. Wright for Everyone Bible Study Guides* Cost of the book is \$14

By: [N.T. Wright](#), [Dale Larsen](#), [Sandy Larsen](#)

Please email the office (graceunitedportdover@gmail.com) or call to reserve your book by **Sept 15** so we can order the correct amount. We will announce when they are available.

Dates: **Tuesdays : October 8, 15, 22, 29, 10am - 11am**

Location: Grace United Church - Growing Place

The bible study is in-person and online via zoom

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Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> Lunch – Peameal on a bun & butter tarts  
10 am – 2 pm

Grace Community Hall – Join us

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Welcome Back from Grace Worship Committee
Join for Lunch on the lawn – Sunday Sept 15 after service at Grace United

On Sunday September 29th, we will recognize the Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Canada. We also mark Orange Shirt Day, a Survivor-led movement that called for a national day for truth and reconciliation, on the same day.

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**Memorial Candle**

**Lit in Memory of**

**Joan Stetson**

**Lit By**

**Lori, Vaughan, Terri, Phil  
and Her Grandchildren**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Stewardship Seconds

**September 8, Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Go beyond outward appearances and generously treat everyone you meet with compassion.

**Let’s Celebrate—September 8-14**

**☞ Pastoral Charge Birthdays ☞**

Pat Luton September 11

David Challand September 13

Robert Richard September 14

**☞ Pastoral Charge Anniversaries ☞**

Jane & John Turnecliff September 9

Cheryl & Larry deKoning September 13

Pamela & Frank Bravener September 14

**UPCOMING – Sunday September 15, 2024**

Readers: Heather King, Suzanne Greenslade

Scripture: Mark 8: 27-38

**Week at a Glance MONDAY Sept 9 to SUNDAY Sept 15**

| Day   | Time          | Event                               | Where      |
|-------|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Mon.  | 10:00 am      | W&M Meeting                         | Parlour    |
|       | 10am-2pm      | CAMHS Office Hours                  | Footprints |
|       | 2:00 pm       | Woodhouse UCW                       | Woodhouse  |
|       | 6:30 pm       | Grace Council                       | Zoom       |
| Tues  | 10:00 am      | Woodhouse Board                     | Woodhouse  |
|       | 1:30 pm       | Grace UCW                           | Hall       |
| Wed   | 3:00 pm       | Grace Choir                         | Sanctuary  |
| Thurs | 9:30 am       | Office Volunteers                   | Parlour    |
|       | 10:00 am      | Woodhouse Choir                     | Woodhouse  |
| Fri   | 10 am – 2pm   | Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Grace Lunch | Hall       |
| Sun.  | 9:30 am       | Memorial Candle Lighting            | Woodhouse  |
|       | 11:00 am      | Woodhouse Service                   | Sanctuary  |
|       | After service | Grace Service                       | Grace      |
|       | After service | Lunch on the Lawn                   | Grace      |



Welcome to the Port Dover – Woodhouse

Pastoral Charge

Woodhouse United Church and

Grace United Church

**Sunday September 8, 2024**



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