

# Grace Memorial Baptist Church

## The Lord's Day

### 10:30 AM, April 18, 2021

**W**elcome to worship as we continue to explore **Compassion that Makes a Difference**. One of the hidden impacts of COVID 19 is that for the first time in thirty years the global poverty rate increased in 2020. This week we'll explore biblically what is at the root of poverty and see how it affects us all.

## COMPASSION

That makes a difference

**Message:** We are all Broken  
Rev. Dr. Pastor Peter Lohnes



**Musicians:** Grace Choir & Julie Probert



### WORSHIP SERVICES

Join us for two days of the week for worship; our Wednesday evening service at 7:30 p.m. or Sunday morning service starting at 10:30 a.m.

We would love to see you, but if you feel unwell, or have recently travelled outside the "Atlantic Bubble," please choose to stay home until a more appropriate time.

- Please enter the building via the Welcome Centre doors, where someone will pleasantly greet you, but not shake your hand. They will also record your name and phone number.
- Please use the hand sanitizer as you enter.
- Please wear a mask while you are in the building.
- Seating is limited. Certain pews are roped off to allow for 6 feet between households. Please only sit with your "steady friendship bubble of 15".
- We'll not be handing out bulletins, nor passing around a collection plate. Boxes are available along the back wall for you to drop your offering into while entering or exiting the sanctuary.
- We'll make the Sunday morning experience as child friendly as we can, since we can't offer children's programs or nursery at this time. We also aiming to keep the services under 45 minutes.



**THIS WEEK@GRACE ONLINE:** You can still join us online if you do not feel comfortable coming to church. Go to our web page, [gracememorial.ca](http://gracememorial.ca) or on YouTube, search Grace Memorial.

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Senior Pastor. . . . . Rev Dr Peter Lohnes  
Pastor of Seniors Visitation. . . . . Rev Scott Dunham  
Organist/Accompanist. . . . . Julie Probert  
Choir Director. . . . . Erma Hawkes  
Church Office Administrator. . . . . Lisa Melanson



**THE FERNE SEWELL GROUP** are collecting two items for mission projects; used postage stamps, and milk and/or cream containers. Collection boxes will be labelled and located in the Welcome Centre. Items may be brought in during services on Wednesday and Sunday or during office hours Tuesday to Friday 9 a.m to 4 p.m.

The stamps will be sold in support of the miniseries for the French Evangelistic outreach.

Please bring in clean empty containers that are washed with soap and warm water. Containers can be sized 473ml or 237ml. Thank you for your support! Carolyn Brewer 449-0848 or email; [cjbrewer100@gmail.com](mailto:cjbrewer100@gmail.com).



### Summer Stumper Series **THE RETURN OF SUMMER STUMPERS**

Is there a faith question you have wanted to get answered? A Bible passage or story that has you confused? A spiritual issue you have been pondering about? It doesn't matter how old you are or how long you've been in a journey of faith, we all have questions. **Summer Stumpers** is series we often do in the summer where you have a chance to ask your questions in a safe way and we will seek to provide some answers. Send us your question in an email ([pastor@gracememorial.ca](mailto:pastor@gracememorial.ca)), or write it in a note which you can send or drop off at the church, or leave it in the box in the Welcome Centre. We'll use your submissions to develop a series of messages this summer. We'll do our best to address a number of questions submitted. The deadline to submit your question for this series is May 23<sup>rd</sup>. We look forward to hearing from you!



**ON APRIL 22, 2021 AT 7 P.M.** - The Anglican Diocese of Fredericton Christian Forum Series will be presenting a webinar titled, Euthanasia or Palliative Care. It will be presented by Dr. Phillip Copper, palliative care physician and oncology associate and candidate for ordination in the Diocese of Nova Scotia. For more information and to register go to

[nb.anglican.ca/Forum-April-2021](http://nb.anglican.ca/Forum-April-2021). There will be a link in the Congregation Email.

### ❖ Prayer Warriors ❖

#### Prayer Guide Apr 18-25

**SCCR:** Stephanie Pollock

**Oromocto Public Hospital:** Georgie Boldon

**At Home:** Margaret Pollock, Helen Currie, Faye Jeffery, Sheila Martin, Heather Fletcher-Switzer, James Rankine, Kay White, David Irving, Maureen Arp, Gordon Palmer, Teddy & Claire Randall, Guy Theriault, Rose Marie Patterson, Bob & Liz Walton, Kathy & Lewis Margeson, Edgar Barrieau, Bethann Hayward & family, Dorothy Barrieau

**Shannex:** Dorothy Wilson, Velma MacDonald, Gregory Nickerson, Dora Dunham

**Veterans' Health Unit:** Helen White, Walter Currie

**Farraline Place:** Phyllis Betts

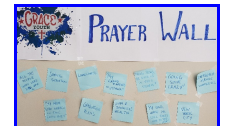
**Windsor Court:** Eileen Wallace

**Pine Grove:** Enide Smith

### YOUTH PRAYERS -----

Please pray for our youth:

- For our university students who are in the process of working through final projects, essays and exams. Pray for wisdom and studiousness as well as for moments of rest, and relief from anxiety about these final trials of the term.
- For a servant's heart in our youth, pray that they might see themselves as vessels that are worthy and that God will use them to build his kingdom if they are humble and obedient.



**THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR OUR YOUTH AS THEY GROW IN CHRIST!**

### GRACELAND! Please pray for:

- The next coming weeks as we continue to talk about Jesus and who and why he is so important. Help the children to want to know about Christ.
- The lessons we have done since March will be fresh in their minds and keep their interest.





**CBM Prayer Line** For more information, you can catch up with CBM online. [www.cbmin.org/prayerline/](http://www.cbmin.org/prayerline/)



**PRAYER FROM JONATHAN WILSON**  
**Serving Globally as Senior Consultant**  
**for Theological Integration**

God of life, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we thank you for the gift of life and for this world that you love. We thank you for loving this world even in its fallenness through the redemption you make real in Jesus Christ. We praise you for the gift of the Holy Spirit who gathers us as your people and calls us into your mission and equips us for it.

As I serve our congregations in Canada and our international partners, I ask you for the gifts of wisdom, endurance, and clarity of thought. May I listen well to those whom I teach and mentor. May I listen even more closely to your Spirit for guidance and wisdom.

We thank you for the generosity of Canadian Baptists so that we may work together to bring the healing power of Jesus to a broken world. We ask for your guidance as we continue to discern where the Spirit is leading us in new paths of mission. We pray for the projects that we are developing to further equip your people for mission. We pray for our partners in Kenya, especially Beth Kamathi as she leads the theological college of the African Christian Churches and Schools. We pray for our partners in Eastern Europe and Central Asia as they courageously develop a new generation of leaders.

We pray for your people everywhere who live with the burden of this pandemic. Give us patience, sustain our hope, comfort those who have suffered from COVID-19, who have lost people they love, whose lives have been disrupted and damaged by this pandemic.

I ask that you continue to grant me good health and energy for these years of my life. May I recall what I have learned over the years that may serve the tasks I have been given. Thank you for fulfilling my longing to serve the church around the world. May I be faithful to that calling by your power.

In all of this, Father, we give thanks for the hope that we have in the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ and the promise of his return. We give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit who makes us one and assures us Christ's return and healing of all your creation, when there will be no more tears, no more pain, and no more death.

Come Lord Jesus, we pray. Amen.



**CBAC:** The **NEXT Conference** for Children's Ministry Workers, is April 25th, in Moncton, NB. Pray for renewal, community, networking and for the volunteer leaders who attend will be open to hear what God is saying to them.

- Pray for our volunteer youth/children's leaders. They carry an immense responsibility alongside parents to train up our children and youth in the ways of the Word. Pray for them as they teach and walk with our children. Send a note of encouragement to your youth/children's workers this week.

**CHURCH TO PRAY FOR:** New Beginnings Christian Ministries, Kingston, NS; Pastor Neil Armstrong.



Prayer Requests

**PRAY FOR OUR PASTORAL STAFF SEARCH TEAM**

The Search Team formed at the annual meeting had their first meeting on Saturday (April 17). This was an orientation session to help the team familiarize themselves with each other and the process of a search for a ministerial staff person. Over the next while the team will develop a church profile to go along with the job descriptions adopted by the church at the Annual Meeting and then begin to publicise the openings. Please be in prayer along with the team as they seek God's persons for Grace as we enter this next phase of church ministry. Members of the Search Team are Maiah Benigno, Christina Clark, Ragnar Oborn, Adebola Afolabi Sanni, Ray Schriver, Kate Thompson, and Tony Yin.

**This week: April 18-25**

**Sunday, April 18**

Worship..... 10:30 AM

**Tuesday, April 20**

ESL via Zoom..... 10:30 AM

**Wednesday, April 21**

Graceland ..... 12 PM

Worship..... 7:30 PM

**Thursday, April 22**

Ferne Sewell WMS. .... 1:15 PM

Choral practice..... 7 PM

**Friday, April 23**

Youth Group..... 7 PM

For more information; [graceyouthfredericton@gmail.com](mailto:graceyouthfredericton@gmail.com)

**Saturday, April 24**

SUN-lite training..... 9 AM

**Sunday, April 25**

Worship..... 10:30 AM

Serving Sun., April 18	Serving Wed., April 21
<b>Ushers: 1 George Youssef 2 Sarah Gunaseelan 3 Guna</b> <b>Kulasegaram</b> <b>Greeters WC: Janet Howland</b> <b>Multimedia: Kate Thompson</b>	<b>Ushers: 1TBA</b> <b>Greeters WC: TBA</b> <b>Multimedia: Kate Thompson</b>
Serving Sun., April 25	Serving Wed., April 28
<b>Ushers: 1 Ray Schriver 2 Afolabi Sanni 3 Eric Smith</b> <b>Greeters WC: Lori Schriver</b> <b>Multimedia: Kate Thompson</b>	<b>Ushers: 1 Sarah Gunaseelan</b> <b>Greeters WC: Guna</b> <b>Kulasegaram</b> <b>Multimedia: Emilio Ancheta</b>

**MAY BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

- May 1 Sheila Dunham
- May 2 Afolabi Sanni
- May 4 Nellie Charters
- May 5 Helen White
- May 6 Julie Clarke
- May 7 Young ah Rankine  
Frank Stokes
- May 8 Trinity Meyer
- May 10 Nancy MacNaughton
- May 11 Luke Zhang  
Daryl Burke
- May 15 Forest Jones
- May 16 Heather Fletcher- Switzer
- May 18 Sheila Martin
- May 19 Joshua Lohnes
- May 20 A- Nathan & Jennifer Sergeant
- May 22 Ray Schriver
- May 23 Estella Barton
- May 25 Sebastien Theriault
- May 26 Marg Stocker  
Luke MacRitchie
- May 29 Jacob Oborn
- May 30 A - Adam & Robin Mohle



**If you would like your special day added, please contact the office.**

**"BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF GRACE":  
"A CHRIST-CENTRED MOSAIC" "MANY PEOPLES –  
ONE COMMUNITY"**



On Thursday April 22 at 1:15 p.m., we will be hosting a guest speaker; Stephen Alward. A special Offering is for our **Home Mission Project** which is **Greenhill Lake Camp**. If you have any questions please contact Carolyn Brewer 449-0848 or email; [cjbrewer100@gmail.com](mailto:cjbrewer100@gmail.com).



**Ways to Give** – Thank you for your faithful giving during this period when many find it difficult. It is a blessing to our Grace Community of Faith. We currently have four methods of giving:

- **Pre-Authorized Debit** – You can set up an automatic withdrawal from your account to Grace. If you wish to start, contact the office.
- **Drop-Off** – Use the Northumberland Street door during office hours T-F 8:30-4:30, ring the bell to enter. Tellers are processing dropped off offerings about once every two weeks.
- **E-Transfer** – Please clearly note in the message section of the e-transfer how much you are directing to particular funds (For example: Current, Missions, Building, Easter). Funds that are not designated will be directed to Current expenses. Send e-transfers to our church Treasurer, Jim Monteith, at [jamesmonteith@rogers.com](mailto:jamesmonteith@rogers.com).
- **Canada Helps** - Canada Helps is a registered charity that collects online donations, then passes them on to the charity. Go to [canadahelps.org](http://canadahelps.org), search for Grace Memorial Baptist. Then follow the instructions to make a donation. Thank you!

Attendance Apr 11 54	Attendance Apr 14 12	Week of Apr 11-17	Actual Giving Amount Budgeted
<b>Current</b>		<b>\$7,378</b>	<b>\$5,894</b>
<b>Mission</b>		<b>\$1,175</b>	<b>\$1000</b>
<b>Building</b>		<b>\$244</b>	<b>\$212</b>
<b>Easter</b>		<b>\$4,935</b>	<b>Thank You!</b>



**SUN-LITE INITIATIVE FOR HOMELESSNESS**  
**WANT TO CHANGE A LIFE? WANT TO MAKE A**  
**DIFFERENCE IN HOMELESSNESS IN FREDERICTON?**

We are looking for two more people, in partnership with Brunswick Street Baptist and Smythe Street Church, to work with three people experiencing homelessness or near homelessness.

**Purpose:** In very a practical way, to show people God’s love by assisting them overcome homelessness. Each team of six people (2 from each church) will partner with one client to help him/her maintain safe, stable, affordable housing. The clients will be identified by the Supportive Housing Network Committee who will ensure the clients have adequate housing and furnishings. The teams will act as encouragers and friends, helping the client identify goals in recovery from homelessness and resources to achieve those goals.

**Expectations:**

- ◆ 6-8 hours per week for the overall team. (i.e. Hours divided among the 6 team members)
- ◆ Once a week check-in with the client.
- ◆ Communicate weekly with-in the team on the client’s progress.
- ◆ Once per month meeting with program coordinator to discuss client needs and team dynamics.
- ◆ Mid-year and end of the year evaluation.

**Requirements:**

- ◆ Criminal Record Check
- ◆ One-day training in the SUN-Lite Program (9am-4pm Saturday April 24) Friday Evening/Saturday training in Applied Suicide
- ◆ Intervention Skills Friday Evening/Saturday training in Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (May 7 & 8)
- ◆ One-year Commitment.

Costs for the training sessions will be covered by the church. If you are interested, or know someone who would be good at this, please connect with Pastor Peter.