

Happy Canada Day

GRACE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH July 2025

Messages this month

Happy Canada Day! Summer is upon us and it's a time for relaxation and recreation. This month in worship we will spend some time exploring re-creating. We'll start by thinking about what kind of people are we recreating as a church; what was Jesus' instructions for who we are to be? Then how the Holy Spirit works in shaping our life. Then we'll explore how we can create lasting relationships. And finally, we'll celebrate with the youth who participated in Tidal Impact and see how God has been at work in re-creating lives.



We look forward to a variety of music during the month from Yunjia Dai, Julie Probert, & the Grace Worship Team.







MESSAGES	
June 29	Countdown to the End ~ Right at the Beginning (Ragnar Oborn)
July 6	A Tale of Three Churches (Pastor Peter Lohnes)
July 13	Holy Spirit Living (Pastor Jim Bae)
July 20	Lasting Love (Pastor Peter Lohnes)
July 27	Love God & Love Others (Tidal Impact Youth Team)







NEW TO GRACE? If this is your first or second time coming to Grace, welcome! We would love to meet you and get to know you. The pew in front of you should have a yellow Connection Card. Please fill it out and drop it in the one of the offering boxes as you exiting the sanctuary. Check out our website **gracememorial.ca** for updates, services and much more.



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GRACE WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE JUNE 29-JULY 6

At Home: Heather Fletcher-Switzer, Teddy & Claire Randall, Rose Marie Patterson, Helen Currie, Lisa Lohnes, Shirley Pierpoint, Sheila Martin, Edgar & Dorothy Barrieau, Marg & Stephanie Pollock, James Rankine,

Lawrence Steeves, Erma Hawkes, Sherrie Evans, Gerry Crouse, Sylvia Dykeman

Eden Retirement Villa: Hazel Ridley

Shannex: Gregory Nickerson, David Ridley, Mavis Hallett



GRACE YOUTH & CHILDREN, please pray for the month of July:

- Oh Canada! We thank you God for our beautiful country that is full of opportunities for not only for youth but for all ages. We recognize the failings of our country's past and pray for the people still being affected, praying that we continue to move on as a nation in a direction that aligns with God's kingdom. Pray for a Canada Day full of healing and rejoicing. Please pray that each of us would help our immigrant families to feel welcome in Canada.
- We pray for families in our community they may sign up for our Summer Camps and get know Jesus a a little more. We also remember our youth starting new jobs/careers that they would be willing show Christ in their every day lives.

Thank you for praying for our children & youth as they grow in CHRIST

NEED PRAYER? Each Sunday a member of the **Prayer Ministry** is available after worship service in the Prayer Room at the front right of the Sanctuary. It is confidential.

Every day the **Prayer Line** is available for your prayer requests. Send them by email to Kathleen at kbrewer168@gmail.com or contact her by phone at 506-449-0848.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



GOING TO HOSPITAL? Even though visiting is open in Horizon Health facilities, clergy and pastoral care people no longer know whether a particular person is in hospital or not. If you find yourself or a loved one in the hospital and desire a pastoral visit, please let family or a friend contact the church office so that we can be an encouragement and support.

Aug 2 Leo Cru	1/

Aug 7 Jackson Clark

Aug 8 Carolyn Brewer

Aug 11 Blair Burke Sandra Corey

Aug 12 Lila MacRitchie

Aug 15 A - Richard & Heather Akin

A - Wayne & Shari Ross

Aug 17 Joshua Yin

Aug 18 Ragnar Oborn

Irma Irving

Aug 20 Frances Hanson Patricia Hughes

Aug 23 Ruth Bishop

Gregory Nickerson

Aug 25 Kathy Margeson

Aug 26 Vincent Corey
Fran Tramontin

A - James & Rita Monteith

Aug 28 Dale Sproull

A - Edwin & Noreen Stairs



If you do not see your celebration date and would like it to be added, please contact the office.

MEET OUR SUMMER STUDENTS LEADERS: We are pleased to have Owen MacLeod and Laird Simmons working with our summer children's ministries this summer. Both are new to our congregation. Owen is from Woodstock and just finished his first year at Crandall University. Laird is originally from Bermuda but has lived in Fredericton for about seven years and attends UNB. They will be working with our four summer camps and in July and August as well as Grace Kids on Sunday mornings.



My name is Laird Simmons! I'm taking a Bachelors of Psychology at UNB. One of my favorite things is playing ultimate frisbee and soccer. I've attended church since I was a kid and been to many VBS and Summer Camps over the years. I'm looking forward to giving others a fun experience with the opportunity to learn more about Jesus.

My name is **Owen MacLeod**. I have been working on a Bachelor of Arts in History and a Bachelor of Theology at Acadia. Although I was born into a Christian household it did not mean much until I started to take my faith into my own hands and realized that God is someone I can believe in. I'm looking forward to working with and around the community at Grace this Summer and learning as much as I can form others.



SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS FILLING UP! Grace is offering four weeks of camp this summer with three different themes. Camps are for children from Kindergarten to Grade 5 (based on the year just completed). There is limited enrollment, so early registration is encouraged. Each camp costs \$115 and goes Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm. There are options for earlier drop-off or later pick-up for an extra charge. You can find the online registration link at gracememorial.ca/2025-summer-camps/. We are also looking for volunteers of all ages!

Egypt Holy Land Adventure July 21-25

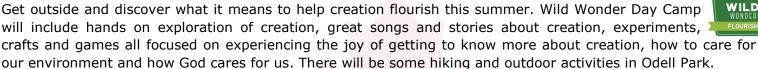


Each morning the kids are transported back in time, to the story of Joseph in Egypt. Everyone will rotate through sessions that include stories, songs crafts and activities that retell the story of 👪 Joseph's amazing story of being wrongly imprisoned to become the second most powerful person in

Egypt. In the afternoons we'll return to 2025 and enjoy some great activities like the ever-favorite game of Gru and a visit to the Wilmot Water Park.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: In the mornings we need adults along with youth to help with crafts, stories snacks and other activities.

Wild Wonder - Flourish August 11-15





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Do you have some outdoor skills or knowledge. Gardening, knowledge of trees, or insects that you could pass one. We could use your expertise!

Create-A-Camp (July 28-August 1) & Create-a-Camp Too (August 18-22)



Create-a-Camp is one of the most popular of the camps we offer and we are happy to have it twice this summer. This is a multiple options camp. Some activities will involve all the campers, but each day children will also get to choose different activities from several options such as sports, dance, cooking, movies, crafts, and more.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Do you have a skill or hobby you could share with kids for an hour. Painting, crafts, cooking, dance, sports, outdoor adventure, knitting, music, or something else. We are looking for many people to be able to share for a one-hour slot, once or multiple times each week.

If you are interest in volunteering at one of the camps this summer, please connect with Pastor Peter or leave your information with the church office.

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL ON JUNE 29TH

Join us for our Canada Day Celebrations at Grace that will include a strawberry treat after the service in the Welcome Centre on **June 29th**. All are welcome.





SENIORS' COTTAGE DAY AT OAK POINT - WEDNESDAY, JULY 23RD

Seniors are invited to the cottage of Judy & Dave Neal's on **Wednesday**, **July 23rd**. Please sign up in the Welcome Centre by **Sunday**, **July 20th** indicating if you need a drive or can drive and take passengers. Printed driving instructions are available on the table for the 1 hour trip. Guests may bring a salad or dessert. Please note for mobility issues, there are 3 steps up in to the cottage and deck area. Drives will leave the church at 12:30 PM. For questions please contact Judy 506-476-7474 or email judyneal@nb.sympatico.ca or Dale Sproull at 506-454-0247.



VISION TEAM UPDATE: In June the **Vision Team** shared a first draft of the Vision Document, with Leadership and began working on editing and simplifying the presentation so that the four priorities and some possible steps for the next three to five years are clearly understood. The Team will continue to meet in July and seek

further feedback as they prepare to share the document with the congregation in late August or the first of September. Please continue to pray for the team as they continue to work through this process. Prayer is a **key** part of this period of discernment.



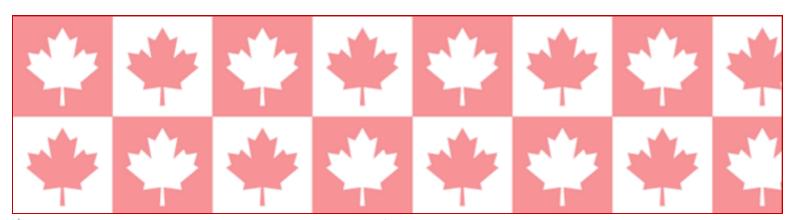


Many Peoples—One Community





THANK YOU for the continued support of the Greener Village Food Bank! Donations are received the first Sunday of the month, please drop them off in the Welcome Centre (big white box) or during the week at the office (9 AM—4 PM).





A PRAYER REQUEST

Over the next 2 weeks, we are asking congregations that are participating in Tidal Impact, to please send in written prayers for this incredible event. We will have these written prayers ready for the teams and youth to see during the rallies! This is to encourage them in knowing the whole of the CBAC have been partnering with them in prayer before they even arrived!

Please write/text your prayer to the email, phone number, or mailing address:

Pastor John Bartlett

Email: john@cornerstonebaptist.ca

Phone: 506-227-4762

TIDAL IMPACT TEAM JULY 8-13TH

Tidal Impact is a youth missional event organized by the Youth & Family Department of the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada, taking place on Prince Edward Island from **July 8th to 13th**. Throughout the week students will experience high energy rallies, neighbouring opportunities, serving, and lots of FUN! We have four youth attending from Grace (Hannah Clark, Jackson Clark, Destiny Johnson, & Ella Sanni) and our two leaders (Vonda Johnson & Peter Lohnes). Grace is partnered with First Baptist Charlottetown and Douglas Baptist for the week. Our schedule looks like this:

	Tues, July 8	Wed, July 9	Thurs, July 10	Fri, July 11	Sat, July 12	Sun, July 13
Morning	Travel			ing Neighbouring	Island Wide Food Drive	Worship at First Baptist
Afternoon	to PEI	Neighbouring	Neighbouring		Neighbouring	
Evening	Team Building Food Drive Flyers	Rally 1	Beach Worship	Fun Evening at Sandspit	Rally 2	Travel Home

You might ask, "What is neighboring?" Neighbouring is about serving and connection with the community. It's more than just completing a task; it is about joining God in what He is doing. Neighbouring is local miniprojects that bless the community. It could be random acts of kindness (like passing our water or ice-cream) or small labor projects (like gardening or painting or serving seniors). Please be in prayer for the team, especially during their journey. Pray for:

- Safe travels on the road throughout the week.
- Meaningful experiences serving others.
- Hearts to hear what God is saying through the worship and rallies.
- New and lasting friendships and partnerships to be created.
- Feelings of homesickness to be abandoned, and nerves to remain calm.
- Lots of joy to be experienced.

This is a **first experience** for all of the youth and we pray it will be an important moment in their discipleship journey.

LOVING GRACE MEMORIES JULY 2025



Graduation Sunday























SCHEDULE FOR GRACE July 2025

Sun, June 29			
Worship service, Sa	10	:30 AM	
Strawberry Social, WC			:00 PM
Pickleball, gym	2:	30-4 PM	
Tues, July 1 Office closed ~	Happy Canad	da Day	
Wed, July 2			
Worship Team, Sa	7:	00 PM	
Sun, July 6			
Worship service, Sa		10	:30 AM
Pickleball, gym		2:	30-4 PM
Sun, July 13			
Worship service, Sa		10	:30 AM
Pickleball, gym		2:	30-4 PM
Mon, July 14			
Thomas & Brunswick Hall, Sh	annex service	2	& 3 PM
Prop & Fin Team, BR		6:	30 PM
Sun, July 20			
Worship service, Sa		10	:30 AM
Pickleball, gym	2:	30-4 PM	
Wed, July 23			
Seniors' Cottage Day at Oak	12	::30 PM	
Sun, July 27			
Worship service, Sa		10	:30 AM
Pickleball, gym		2:	30-4 PM

Rooms: Sanctuary; Sa, Parlour; Par, Welcome Centre; WC, Family Centre; FC

GRACE KIDS Children in Kindergarten to Grade 5 will begin in the worship service with the whole community. Midway through the service, children are invited to follow our leaders and volunteers to the Family Centre for an ageappropriate program.



Grace Youth will resume in the Fall.



Pickleball Join us weekly in the gym on Sundays at 2:30-4 PM. Jim will provide training and teaching for basic skills and how to play and understand the game.

Time will be divided into two sessions that consist of drills and playing games on the court. Questions please contact Pastor Jim Bae; limbae3@gmail.com.

Sun, June 29

Ushers: 1 Mel Sproull

2 Patsy Burke

3 Blair Burke

WC Greeter: Dale Sproull Media: Reymer Salvador Prayer Team: Lisa Lohnes



Ushers: 1 Afolabi Sanni

2 Daniel Corrier

3 Shade Oyedepo

WC Greeter: Sarah Gunaseelan

Media: Kate Thompson
Prayer Team: Connie Storr

Sun, July 13

Ushers: 1 Ray Schriver

2 Bob Walton

3 John Curtis

WC Greeter: Doreen McClare

Media: Kate Thompson **Prayer Team:** Esther Bae

Sun, July 20

Ushers: 1 Eric Smith

2 Ed Stairs

3 Gerry Taylor

WC Greeter: Janet Howland

Media: Andrew Crisp

Prayer Team: Adebola Afolabi Sanni

Sun, July 27

Ushers: 1 Mel Sproull

2 Patsy Burke

3 Blair Burke

WC Greeter: Carolyn Lovely Media: Reymar Salvador

Prayer Team: Betty Ann Taylor

The **Nursery** is located off the Welcome Centre, is currently available during services for families with adult supervision. In the main space, services are Livestreamed so parents can still watch the service. This quiet space provides toys, books, and a rocking chair. A semi-private room is set up for all newborn needs.

The **Library** will be closing for the Summer. If you have items to return that do not fit in the regular slot, please drop them off to the office. If you have questions please contact Danielle at schriver.danielle@gmail.com or contact the office.

WAYS TO GIVE AT GRACE



Thank you for your faithful giving. There are three primary methods of giving to Grace:

In-Person Offering: As you enter the Sanctuary there are Offering Boxes just inside each door. Drop your offering into one of these boxes at worship. Or drop your donation off at the church office during office hours (9 am-4 pm Monday to Friday) * No cash in the mail please.

Pre-Authorized Debit: You can set up an automatic withdrawal from your account to Grace. There are various options for time(s) of the month. See T.J. Smith (Treasurer) or contact the church office for the forms to set-up your giving.

E-Transfer: Send e-transfers using the email address: treasureratgrace536@gmail.com.

Please clearly indicate in the message section how much you are giving to particular funds. (Ex: Current, Missions, Building, Benevolent, Easter)

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE AT GRACE

THERE ARE 4 PRIMARY FUNDS TO WHICH PEOPLE DESIGNATE OFFERINGS:

CURRENT – The Ministry of Grace. This fund supports everything we do as a congregation.

MISSIONS - Supporting our Ministry Partners:

This fund supports our donations to our partners such as Canadian Baptist Ministries (around the world) Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (Atlantic Provinces), Baptist Chaplaincy in the hospitals, Greenhill Lake Camp, Acadia Divinity College, Crandall University, and more.

BUILDING — Major Property Repairs: This fund is used to help with major repairs to the church building such as a roof.

BENEVOLENT – People in Emergency Need: This fund is used to help congregants and community people when they are facing a financial crisis for whatever reason.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN THE FOYER

Financial Summary as of May 2025

CURRENT ACCOUNT	21 Sundays
Regular Offering	104,395
Loose Offering	166
Initial Offering (Envelopes)	65
Thanksgiving	-
Christmas	290
Easter	6,395
Miscellaneous	5,340
Summer Camp Registrations	2,400
Rentals	12,185
Total Revenue	131,236
Less: Expenditures	150,415
* Current Deficit Jan-May	19,179
MISSIONS ACCOUNT	
Target for Jan-May (Regular)	17,706
Actual Offerings Jan -May (regular)	16,586
Shortfall from Target	1,123
BUILDING ACCOUNT	
Regular Offerings	2,768
Less Expenses	0
** Total Building	2,768
* Current Acct Surplus 2024	32,874
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