

Welcome to Grantham MB Church



Sunday, July 6th, 2025
Outdoor Worship Service

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“In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God’s grace.”
Colossians 1:6 (*NIV*)

Call to Worship

Bless the Lord

Greeting and Prayer – Psalm 25

Lord Most High

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues (WT#46)

Hearing the Word

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

Children’s Prayer Time

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:9-14; Galatians 1:1-23

Sermon: Ryan Jantzi (ON Conference of MB Churches)

“Confident Hope in Gospel Growth”

Responding to the Word

Shout to the North

“Spirit-Grown Stories” ~ Ruth Braun

Prayer of Confession

Communion: *Amazing Grace / Trinity Song*

Ministry Focus & Prayer of Intercession

Offering

Sent out into the World

Doxology

Benediction

Passing the Peace

Prelude: Ingrid Heidebrecht

Service Leader: Taya Himes

Song Leader: Mike Dyck

Scripture Reader: Herb Gerlach

TODAY:

9:45 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship Time

10:00 AM ~ Outdoor Worship & Communion Service

*****Children will remain in the service*****

Nursery (ages 0-3): Drop-in for a guardian and their child(ren)

JOINING TOGETHER IN COMMUNION:

As we gather around the Lord's Table today, there are members of our congregation who desire to be with us but are unable to do so. This morning please remember: Helene Boldt, Lisa Boldt, Lottie Durksen, Mika Enns, Walter Isaac, Susan Klassen, and Laura Neufeld.

12:00 PM ~ Bring Your Own Lunch!

In lieu of our usual first Sunday of the month potluck, we will be eating together in different ways throughout the summer months. Today, we invite everyone to stay after the worship service and enjoy their packed picnic lunch as we eat and fellowship together. Coffee, tea, and water are provided.



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9:45 AM ~ Coffee Fellowship Time

10:00 AM ~ Outdoor Worship Service

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Nursery (ages 0-3): Drop-in for a guardian and their child(ren)

Scripture: Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Col. 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

Sermon: Guest, Adib Ahmad (Jesus Network)

THIS WEEK:

THURS: Youth SBA Volunteer Training.....10:30 AM

Bless the Lord

Verse 1

All who gather in the holy place
Bless the Lord
All who call upon the God who saves
Bless the Lord
If your sins have been washed away
Bless the Lord
If you stand only by His grace
Bless the Lord

Chorus

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Bless the Lord oh my soul
And let ev'rything within me
Let ev'rything within me
Let ev'rything within me bless the Lord

Verse 2

We'll sing an anthem to His beautiful name and
Bless the Lord
Join the heavens and the earth proclaim
Bless the Lord
His mercy is great and His love endures
Bless the Lord
Our faith is strong and our hope is sure
Bless the Lord

Ending

At all times
At all times
I will bless the Lord
(REPEAT 3X)

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Call to Worship

Psalm 25 (NIV)

LEADER:

1 In you, LORD my God,
I put my trust.

ALL:

**2 I trust in you;
do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**
**3 No one who hopes in you
will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those
who are treacherous without cause.**

LEADER:

4 Show me your ways, LORD,
teach me your paths.
5 Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.
6 Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.

ALL:

**7 Do not remember the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me,
for you, LORD, are good.**

LEADER:

8 Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.
9 He guides the humble in what is right
and teaches them his way.

ALL:

**10 All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful
toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.**

Lord Most High

Verse

From the ends of the earth (ECHO)
From the depths of the sea (ECHO)
From the heights of the heavens (ECHO)
Your name be praised
From the hearts of the weak (ECHO)
From the shouts of the strong (ECHO)
From the lips of all people (ECHO)
This song we raise Lord

Chorus

Throughout the endless ages
You will be crowned with praises
Lord Most High
Exalted in every nation
Sovereign of all creation
Lord Most High be magnified

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Oh, for a Thousand Tongues

Verse 1

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace

Verse 2

Jesus the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
'Tis life and health and peace

Verse 3

He speaks and list'ning to His voice
New life the dead receive
The mournful broken hearts rejoice
The humble poor believe

Verse 4

My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name

Verse 5

Glory to God and praise
And love be ever ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above
The church in earth and heav'n

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Shout to the North

Verse 1

Men of faith rise up and sing
Of the great and glorious King
You are strong when you feel weak
In your brokenness complete

Chorus

Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Verse 2

Rise up women of the truth
Stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing pow'r
Of our awesome King of love

Verse 3

Rise up church with broken wings
Fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high
By His grace again we'll fly

Bridge

We've been through fire
We've been through rain
We've been refined
By the pow'r of His name
We've fallen deeper
In love with You
You've burned
The truth on our lips

Ending

Lord of heaven and earth (X3)

Martin Smith

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Prayer of Confession

LEADER:

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and
confused world.

ALL:

**Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.
Gracious Lord, have mercy on us and forgive our sins.**

Moment of Silence

LEADER:

Merciful God, remove the obstacles preventing us from being
your representatives to a broken world.

ALL:

**May our hearts be awakened to the promised gift of your
indwelling Spirit.
We rejoice in your forgiving love and mercy.
We pray in Jesus powerful name, Amen**

Amazing Grace

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found
Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Verse 4

Through many dangers toils and snares
I have already come
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

Verse 5

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun

John Newton WT#497

Trinity Song

Chorus

Holy Father Son and Spirit
Holy Communion Three in One

Verse

Come with Your peace with Your invitation
Bind us together in holy love

CCLI Song # 7068847
Sandra McCracken

STEWARDSHIP REPORT:

As of June 30	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Tithes	131,882	167,800
Other Income	26,776	32,450
TOTAL	158,658	200,250
Expenses	195,221	200,250
Projects	36,282	36,400

JOINING TOGETHER IN PRAYER:

We want to raise the needs of our community and our world before God (Philippians 4:6). If you have prayer requests, please bring them to a pastor or any member of the Congregational Care Committee.

- As the summer holidays begin, we pray for the safety and health of everyone. In this season of rest, travel, and activities, God's protection and care are asked for. Guidance and protection are requested on every journey, whether near or far. May homes be places of relaxation, joy, love, peace, and safety this summer. May people be generous and considerate towards one another and help others enjoy the blessings of summertime by sharing God's examples of compassion and kindness.
- Camp Crossroads: As Kid's Week gets underway, we pray that God's love would be infused within every aspect of the collective time together. We lift up speakers Tim Durksen and Phil Klassen, as they seek to resonate with the kids by sharing God's grace. Please pray that the kids are open to the experience, whether it be in the chapel, the cabins, or in God's landscape, that His word will reverberate and change lives. May staff feel supported and appreciated as they navigate new roles. We pray that each person, camper and staff alike, are kept physically, emotionally and physically safe.
- Multiply: Pray for B & C, Multiply workers in Central Asia. Pray for acquisition of culture and language, for employment which will allow for a long-term visa presence, and for courage for new believers in this region.

(Prayers of last Sunday, Jun 29th)

- Pastors Mike & Tabitha and the whole VandenEnden family as they focus on faith and family during this Sabbatical.
- For Canada's government and leaders, and that the process of truth and reconciliation would continue between the people of Canada and the first peoples who preceded them.
- Multiply: B & A, Multiply workers in global contexts.

JOINING TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY:

Trek with Us at Summer Bible Adventure! Mornings of July 16-18

Change in Course - Same Great Adventure!

This summer, we're shifting gears from our planned exploration of the "True North" and heading on a new adventure:

Faith Trek: The Three-Part Journey

Join us for a 3-day expedition through the wonders of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

We will journey through three amazing terrains as we discover:

God the Father - Our Creator and Provider

God the Son - Our Savior and Trail Guide

God the Spirit - Our Helper and Power Within.

Register by July 9 at GranthamChurch.ca/SBA!

Please email taya@granthamchurch.ca ASAP!



THE FELLOWSHIP SUMMER CHALLENGE!

Arrange your own summer get-together(s) with Grantham attendees you'd like to get to know better! The day and party size are completely up to you. It could be as simple as a coffee or teatime in your home or at a local café! The goal is to look for those within our church family that you aren't as familiar with, to extend hospitality, and grow in fellowship. These can be potluck style, so the workload can be shared.



If you'd like assistance in planning your event or getting in touch with potential guests, please contact Emily in the church office.



Congratulations on Retirement!

We join in giving our best wishes to Joanne Schellenberg and Rhoda Penner who recently retired after many years of service in their respective jobs.

Joanne worked at Meridian Credit Union for 45 years, the latter portion in Commercial Business Administration.

Rhoda has worked at Bethesda for 40 years as a Support Worker in the Day Program.

May God bless you both and give you much joy as you welcome rest from the daily demands of work and look forward to the opportunities and possibilities of retirement.

JOINING TOGETHER IN WORSHIP:

Summer Bulletin Art



This summer **all ages** are invited to contribute original works of art for our bulletin covers! Our theme is “**The Fruit of the Spirit**”, and we’re inviting **you** to share original artwork inspired by Galatians 5:22-23. All submissions should be handed in to the office (please use a portrait orientation) and don’t forget to write your name on the back!

Pray for One Another

We want to be intentional about praying for one another and the needs of our community and world. On Communion Sundays you will have the opportunity to fill out the prayer card found in this booklet, tear it off, and then drop it in the offering.

Give one, take one. Following the service, please pick up someone else’s prayer card from the basket on the welcome table!

(We want to protect people’s privacy. Please do not include given names in your requests, unless it is your own.)

JOINING TOGETHER IN GRATITUDE:

Thank you to the Fellowship Committee and volunteers who helped make the strawberry social happen on June 22! The delicious local strawberries were enjoyed by all those who participated, and were a refreshing way to welcome the start of the summer season!

Doxology

Verse 1

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Verse 2

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
In heav'n above and earth below
Our God, three persons we adore
To God be praise forevermore Amen

Text – Thomas Ken
Geneva Psalter

2025 Grantham Pastors' Sabbatical

For the months of May, June, and July, our pastors are on sabbatical leave (after more than 14 years of ministry at Grantham). This time is for rest and renewal, for both the pastors and the congregation. **Pastoral Care will continue at Grantham through our Congregational Care Committee.** Please bring any pastoral needs to committee members Clare Braun, Michael Dyck, Marg Fast, or Ashley Huizer. **Communication with the pastors will be facilitated by Grantham's Sabbatical Support Team.** Please bring any communication questions or requests to team members Michael Dyck, Ernie Harris, Bill Jackson, Barb Stiver, or Suzanne Wilson.



Please pray for...

*...Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Matthew 6:10*

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

MCC Thrift is Hiring – Canada Summer Jobs Positions!

MCC Thrift in St. Catharines is currently hiring for two summer positions through the Canada Summer Jobs program:

Thrift Associate – Retail | Thrift Associate – Workroom/Receiving

These are paid positions open to eligible youth aged 15–30. A great opportunity to gain valuable experience while supporting the mission of MCC. Application deadline: July 2, 2025; To apply, visit: mccglobal.my.site.com/MCCJobs

Hope in Bloom

Sunday, July 13th 2025
2-6pm

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