

Jan. 15, 2025

1 Corinthians 12:1-14 (scripture reading for this Sunday) is about the unity and diversity of the body of Christ, and how all members should care for each other.

Key ideas

- The body of Christ is made up of many members, but all members are one body.
- Each member has a unique role to play, and all members are needed.
- Members should care for each other, even if they have different gifts.
- The Holy Spirit gives each person their unique gifts.
- Believers should value the role they play in Christ's body.

Reflections

- Paul wrote 1 Corinthians 12 to refute the Corinthian church's division of members into those with more spiritual gifts and those without.
- The lesson of 1 Corinthians 12:1-14 is that all members of the body of Christ are needed and should care for each other.
- The gifts that the Holy Spirit gives to believers can include wisdom, faith, healing, and more.
- The gifts that the Holy Spirit gives to believers are meant to be used to serve the whole body, not just the individual.

We have different strengths and weaknesses, experiences, and abilities. Yet the Holy Spirit has baptized, or immersed, each of us into the one body of Christ. And He has put each of us within the body where He wants us to be, for the benefit of the body as a whole. We are all different, but we need each other.

⁴ There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵ There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶ There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

1Corinthians 12:4-6

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A word of thanks from Shannon Jarvis

The words 'thank you' do not describe how grateful I am for the donations and support that my Graceview family has provided me with throughout my whole life, but especially over the last few years. I appreciate all of you so much. I wish everyone a very happy and healthy 2025. Thank you, Shannon.

GoFundMe for Shannon Jarvis

Shannon Jarvis has been dealing with serious health issues for all of her life and has endured major hardships and setbacks in her health in the last three years, especially. She recently came home from more than a two year stay in the hospital in 2022-2024, that has left her with the inability to walk, indefinitely, at the age of 34. Now that she is home in her parents' house, she is confined to her bedroom as the house and bathroom are not wheelchair accessible. Another friend and I have started a GoFundMe for Shannon to raise money for a bathroom renovation, to make her bathroom wheelchair accessible so she can live more comfortably in her home.

The link for the GoFundMe for Shannon is here: https://gofund.me/9ef554f3

Donations are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your time.

Jennifer Lunardo

Thank You

A big thank you to the 10 people who helped on Tuesday morning, (Jan. 7)! Banners and flowers were changed as was the bulletin board. All Christmas décor was taken down and put back into storage. A good home was found for the two poinsettias. There were a lot of laughs shared. Thank you to all who came out, a big job made easy and fun. L. Bishop

Annual Report

Work on the 2024 Annual Report has begun. The report will be similar to the previous three reports - that is it will be a narrative and pictorial, professionally printed booklet. It should be available in March 2025 in time for our Annual Meeting.

In order to make sure it tells a complete story about Graceview in 2024, we ask that all committee chairpersons or group leaders (or someone designated by them) prepare a brief summary, in point form, of highlights of what your committee/group did in 2024 - these are the things you would like to see included in the Annual Report. If you have some pictures, you could include that would be great. Also, if you have some quotes that people have said about what you have been doing, please include them. If you are not involved in committees or groups but have an idea about what should be included in the Annual Report, please let us know.

All reports and submissions should be sent to Bob Twynam at btwynam@gmail.com no later than Friday January 24, 2025

A Fall Devotional Update

A **new** edition of **Our Daily Bread** (December/January/February), as well as the current edition of **These Days** (October/November/December) are available on the table in the church vestibule and in the devotional box on the church porch.

Coffee/Tea Sign - Up



The sign-up sheet for coffee/tea service after worship is on the bulletin board opposite the kitchen downstairs. Please sign yourselves up or sign up your committee so that our Fellowship time after church can continue.

Jan. 19 – Jackie & Dave

Jan. 26 -

Feb. 2-23 - Outreach

A Note from the Kohar's

Each week the congregation are asked to remember Peter and me at Sunday service and in the weekly news and I thought it was time to let you know our progress. We both are taking physio; Peter to strengthen his back after bones have healed and me to strengthen my legs after my knee replacement.

We have been with you every Sunday on You Tube and hope to be there in person soon. Peter and Joan

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE

- * Pray for the people of war-torn countries who are living in fear and uncertainty. Pray for those close to home who need your special love and guidance during trying times.
- * Evelyn R's nephew Dexter Ramsumair of New Jersey had his heart surgery on Friday, January 10th.
- * Please keep in your prayers the following:
 Paul Johnston, Michael Langstaff, Robert Soth, Zachariah Mwangi, Shirley P., Josephine Wong, Shelia
 Thomas' grandson, Carter, Ed L., Bob N., Charlotte Prentice, Joan and Peter K., Margaret M's brother, Simon,
 the Jarvis family, Olive S., Roman P., Jean Fox's nephew, Ryan, and
 Gordon F.

Please keep these folks, and indeed, everyone in our church family and people around the world, in your prayers.

Note from your editor: Could you please advise us from time to time on the status of your loved ones so that updates can be recorded and shared to prove that the power of prayer does work miracles.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- * Tuesdays @ 11:00 AM Walking Group All are welcome
- * Thursdays @ 2:00 PM Worship service at Centennial Park Place

- * Monday, Jan. 20 @ 9:30 AM Sing Etobicoke at Fellowship
- * Tuesday, Jan. 21 @ 6:30 PM Session
- * Sunday, Jan. 26 @ 10:30 Rev. Tim Bruneau will be in the pulpit as part of a pulpit exchange

	Prayer Roster	<u>Lay Readers</u>	Welcome and Announcements
Jan. 19	Nancy Green	Nancy McPherson	Lynne Bishop
Jan. 26	Ethel Waite	Al Bishop	Bob Twynam
Feb. 2	Eric Lee	Lynne Bishop	Kathy Twynam
Feb. 9	Maureen Screen	Anna Cherniak	Nancy McPherson
Feb. 16	Errol Baldeo	Nancy Green	Susan Chopp
Feb. 23	Eric Lee	Harry Learoyd	Lynne Bishop
Mar. 2	Susan Chopp	Chris Parr	Bob Twynam
Mar. 9	Nancy McPherson	Susan Chopp	Kathy Twynam
Mar. 16	Eric Lee	Bob Twynam	Nancy McPherson
Mar. 23	Kathy Twynam	Jean Fox	Susan Chopp
Mar. 30	Chris Parr	Maureen Screen	Lynne Bishop
Apr. 6	Eric Lee	Margaret Munene	Bob Twynam
Apr. 13	Margaret Munene	Georgena Engineer	Kathy Twynam

SING! ETOBICOKE WINTER SCHEDULE

Jan. 20	9:30 AM	Fellowship	Songs of the North	W25SE3
Jan. 27	9:30 AM	GV	Time After Time	W25SE4
Feb. 3	9:30 AM	Fellowship	Guest Day III	W25SE5
Feb. 10	9:30 AM	GV	Love Songs	W25SE6
Feb. 24	9:30 AM	NPCC	Troubled Water	W25SE7
Mar. 3	9:30 AM	GV	Over the Rainbow	W25SE8
Mar. 10	9:30 AM	NPCC	Unforgettable	W25SE9
Mar. 17	9:30 AM	NPCC	Spring Sing (Guest Day IV)	W25SE10

Note: we will not be meeting on Family Day, Feb. 17, 2024

Worship Calendar

Jan. 19 Unwrapping the Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1-14 & 14:1-5

WEEKLY GIGGLE

Mrs. Smart was fumbling in her purse for her offering when a large television remote fell out and clattered into the aisle.

The curious usher bent over to retrieve it for her and whispered, "Do you always carry your TV remote to church?"

"No," she replied, "but my husband refused to come with me this morning, and I figured this was the evillest thing I could do to him legally."

Do you have any news or prayer requests that you would like to share? Drop me a line and I will be happy to include it in the Weekly Email. Have a blessed week, everyone.

Susan choppertini@hotmail.com

- *Our services are now live streamed. Go to the church's website (<u>www.graceview.ca</u>) to click the link for the most recent worship services on YouTube.
- * Message from **Pastor Eric:** "FYI the Graceview website page has been revamped, so as to keep people updated of our activities and events. Visit us and enjoy all that is good about Graceview". https://graceview.ca/calendar-events
- * We also have our own Facebook page. (Graceview Presbyterian Church). This site shows the world all that we are and what we have to offer as a church. Check it out and be sure to "follow."

Contact information for Pastor Eric Lee: 778-791-1741; leefyeric@gmail.com

NB: If the phone number for Pastor Eric does not connect you immediately (technical issues?) call the church (416-621-0888) and press #1 for Pastor Eric.

Email for Iris: ericirishk@gmail.com

JANUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	New Year's Day	Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM	3	4
5	Sing Etobicoke @NPCC *Outreach Team 7:00 PM	7 Walking Group 11:00	8	Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM	10	11 World Day of Prayer
"Surrendering to the True Messiah" Rev. Eric Lee	Sing Etobicoke @Graceview	Walking Group 11:00 Craft Club 11:00	15	Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM	17	18
"Unwrapping the Gifts" Rev. Eric Lee	20 Sing Etobicoke @Fellowship	Walking Group 11:00 Session 6:30	22	Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM	24	25
Rev. Tim Bruneau (pulpit exchange)	27 Sing Etobicoke @Graceview	Walking Group 11:00	29	Service @ CPP 2:00 PM Choir practice 6:30 PM	31	1