



Sept. 3, 2025

### **6 Tips for Spiritual Wisdom**

Norman Vincent Peale

The Bible has a great deal to say about wisdom. Throughout Scripture, it is esteemed above wealth or military might. When God granted King Solomon one request, he asked for wisdom—and Solomon became one of the mightiest kings of all time. “God gave Solomon wisdom and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore” (1 Kings 4:29).

Again, and again the book of Proverbs urges its reader to grasp this most precious—and practical—possession. “My son, do not let wisdom and understanding out of your sight, preserve sound judgment and discretion” (3:21). “Wisdom will save you from the ways of wicked men, from men whose words are perverse” (2:12). “A person’s wisdom yields patience” (19:11).

Wisdom is more than knowledge; it is sound judgment and discernment. It is knowing what to pursue and what to let go, what to long for and what to flee. Where does wisdom come from? “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding” (Psalm 111:10). “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you” (James 1:5).

A friend of mine has six gems of wisdom which he repeats almost every day:

1. “To live long, live slowly.”—Cicero
2. “The way of a superior man is threefold: virtuous, he is therefore free from anxiety; wise, he is therefore free from perplexity; bold, he is therefore free from fear.”—Confucius
3. “Sit loosely in the saddle of life.”—Robert Louis Stevenson
4. “Let nothing disturb you; let nothing frighten you. Everything passes except God; God alone is sufficient.”—Saint Theresa
5. “In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.”—Isaiah 30:15
6. Then finally, and most importantly, the words of Jesus: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid” (John 14:27). Let us pray to God today to help us “gain a heart of wisdom” (Psalm 90:12)!



## Worship Calendar

|          |                |               |                   |
|----------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Sept. 7  | Total Takeover | Luke 14:25-35 | Rev. Eric Lee     |
| Sept. 14 | TBA            |               | Rev. Won Hwang    |
| Sept. 21 | TBA            |               | Rev. Jan Hieminga |



## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Changing your PARS Donations

PARS program. - If you are on the PARS program for your church giving and you wish to update your monthly donation, this can be easily done by contacting Jackie Taylor either in person or by email at [jacquelinet@sympatico.ca](mailto:jacquelinet@sympatico.ca)

### Potluck Sign Up

Music & Worship is organizing a pot luck lunch after worship on Sunday, October 5. The sign-up sheet for this welcome back event is on the bulletin board in the entryway to the church. What a lovely way to spend time with friends and to be thankful for all that we have.

### Our New Instagram Account

We're pleased to share that Graceview now has an official Instagram account! It will be maintained by **Rachael Chen** and will focus especially on updates and outreach related to our new Young Adults Group. We invite you all to follow our IG account.

Here is the link:

<https://www.instagram.com/graceview.presbyterian?igsh=MnlpeXE5YTYyN2ly>

### Egg Cartons Wanted

St. James Food Basket is once again in need of egg cartons, at least for the summer months. Please leave them in the cloakroom at Graceview and they will be taken to St. James. Thank you for your help.

### A Fall Devotional Update

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



It is that time of year again when we are looking for volunteers to serve coffee and tea during after worship fellowship time. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Adamson Lounge for now.

Sept. 7 – Susan & Kathy  
Sept. 14 –  
Sept. 21 –  
Sept. 28 –



### **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.

\* Joan Kohar's niece, **Evie** is terminally ill with cancer.

\* Jean Fox writes: *"Ryan has finished chemotherapy and Becki told me so far so good. He has been able to go out on his sail boat with the family but still has the feeding tube in and she told me they are taking one day at a time and wishes to thank everyone for their prayers."*

\* A lovely note from **Joan and Peter Kohar**: "We have settled in quite well and I must admit it has been difficult to get a four-bedroom house into two rooms. I have given a lot of things away and though it has been difficult I have done it. It is quite nice here and we have found a nice couple to dine with. They moved in around the same time we did. They also have their house up for sale, so we have a lot in common. Lots of exercise classes which I certainly can use and then social activities all the time.

Again as I have said I have missed contact with you by mail or phone calls so I hope I will hear from you soon.

Joan

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\* Please keep in your prayers the following:

Carol Hyndman, Ethel Waite, Eftekhar (grandmother of Ali), Lynne Bishop, Joan Pateman, Debbie Homebrooke and family, Margaret Munene's brother Simon, Lenore Carty, Shelia Thomas' grandson, Carter, the Jarvis family, Olive S., and Jean Fox's nephew, Ryan.

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 me 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
- \* Tuesday, Sept. 9 @ 6:30 PM – Presbytery of West Toronto meets at Graceview
- \* Tuesday, Sept. 23 @ 6:30 PM – Session
- \* Tuesday, Sept. 30 @ 12:15 PM – Bible Study – The Chosen season 5 begins
- \* Sunday, Oct. 5 @ 11:30 – Welcome Back/Thanksgiving Pot Luck Luncheon
- \* Sunday, Nov. 2 @ 10:30 AM – Remembering Tree Sunday
- \* Sunday, Nov. 9 @ 10:30 AM – Remembrance Day Service
- \* Friday, Nov. 15 @ 1:30 PM – Music & Worship meeting

|          | <b><u>Prayer Roster</u></b> | <b><u>Lay Readers</u></b> | <b><u>Welcome and Announcements</u></b> |
|----------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Sept. 7  | Nancy Green                 | Anna Cherniak             | Nancy McPherson                         |
| Sept. 14 | Eric Lee                    | Nancy Green               | Susan Chopp                             |
| Sept. 21 | Ethel Waite                 | Harry Learoyd             | Kathy Twynam                            |
| Sept. 28 | Maureen Screen              | Chris Parr                | Bob Twynam                              |



### **WEEKLY GIGGLE**

Someone asked the other day,,,,,,,,,,,,,

'What was your favorite fast food when you were growing up?'

'We didn't have fast food when I was growing up, I informed him, 'All the food was slow.'

'C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?'

'It was a place called 'at home,' I explained!

'Mom cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, & if I didn't like what she put on my plate, I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.'

By this time, the kid was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table.



### Where to Find Us

| Contact Person         | Email Address           | Phone Number            | Role/Note   |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Susan                  | choppertini@hotmail.com | 416-953-7582            | Share news or prayer requests for Weekly Email  |
| Pastor Eric            | pastor@graceview.ca     | 416-621-0888 (press #1) | Church-related communication  |
| Church Office (Halyna) | office@graceview.ca     |                         | Managed by Secretary Halyna   |
| Graceview Website      |                         |                         | <a href="https://graceview.ca/calendar-events">https://graceview.ca/calendar-events</a> |
| Facebook Page          |                         |                         | Graceview Presbyterian Church   |

### Sing! Etobicoke is Back

| Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2025 Fall Schedule   |            |           |                |                   |
|---|------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|
| Date  | Start Time | Location  | Workshop Theme | Registration Link |
| 2025-10-20                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | F25ASE1           |
| 2025-10-27                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | F25ASE2           |
| 2025-11-03                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | F25ASE3           |
| 2025-11-10                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | F25ASE4           |
| 2025-11-17                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | F25ASE5           |
| 2025-11-24                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | F25ASE6           |
| 2025-12-01                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | F25ASE7           |
| 2025-12-08                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | F25ASE8           |
| 2025-12-15                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | F25ASE9           |
| 2025-12-22                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | F25ASE10          |
|   |            |           |                |                   |
| Sing! Etobicoke, Encore, 2026 Winter Schedule |            |           |                |                   |
| Date  | Start Time | Location  | Workshop Theme | Registration Link |
| 2026-01-05                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | W26ASE1           |
| 2026-01-12                                    | 9:30 AM    | NPCC      |                | W26ASE2           |
| 2026-01-19                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | W26ASE3           |
| 2026-01-26                                    | 9:30 AM    | Graceview |                | W26ASE4           |

|            |         |           |  |          |
|------------|---------|-----------|--|----------|
| 2026-02-02 | 9:30 AM | NPCC      |  | W26ASE5  |
| 2026-02-09 | 9:30 AM | Graceview |  | W26ASE6  |
| 2026-02-23 | 9:30 AM | Graceview |  | W26ASE7  |
| 2026-03-02 | 9:30 AM | Graceview |  | W26ASE8  |
| 2026-03-09 | 9:30 AM | NPCC      |  | W26ASE9  |
| 2026-03-16 | 9:30 AM | NPCC      |  | W26ASE10 |

Note: we will not be meeting on Family Day, Feb. 16, 2026

