



July 1, 2026

Happy Canada Day to you all!! I don't know about you, but I am so grateful that I am a citizen of this great country. I am the child of immigrants to this fair land. My mother came here from Romania when she was a teenager, and my dad came here from Yugoslavia (when it was one big country) when he was 4 years old. I often marvel at how their lives converged on one fateful day as the bus my mom was on stopped to pick up a hitch hiker (my dad). The bus was enroute to a Serbo-Croatian picnic. The rest is history. I often wonder what made my grandparents choose Canada. I am just thankful that they did.

The fabric of Canada is made up of immigrants, and they have brought so much to our land. Here is a list of some of the more renowned immigrants to this fair land.

### Technology & Science

- **Alexander Graham Bell:** The Scottish-born inventor changed global communications by inventing the telephone in Brantford, Ontario.
- **Mike Lazaridis:** Born in Türkiye and raised in Canada, he co-founded Research In Motion (RIM) and created the BlackBerry smartphone.
- **Tobias Lütke:** Immigrated from Germany to Ottawa and founded the e-commerce giant **Shopify**.

### Business & Retail

- **John Molson:** Arriving from England, he established the **Molson Brewery** in 1786, making it one of the oldest companies in North America.
- **Aldo Bensadoun:** Born in Morocco, he built the global footwear brand **ALDO Group** based in Montreal.
- **Robert Wang:** Immigrated from China and invented the wildly popular **Instant Pot** smart cooker in Canada.

### Arts & Entertainment

- **Deepa Mehta:** An Oscar-nominated, award-winning director known for her profound Elements Trilogy (*Fire, Earth, Water*) who relocated from India.
- **Ins Choi:** Born in South Korea, he is the actor and playwright behind the hit stage and television comedy *Kim's Convenience*.

No matter the reason why they landed here, I am just grateful that they did. I am proud of their accomplishments and so happy to say that a Canadian invented or started this, here, in Canada.

So, to you all, I wish you a very happy Canada Day. Wear the red and white and wave those flags proudly. I know that I will.



### Worship Calendar

July 5	Wretched Man, Glorious Saviour	Romans 7:14-25	Rev. Eric Lee
July 12	Cultivating the Soil of Our Hearts	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Rev. Eric Lee
July 19	We are Created in the Image of God	Genesis 1:26-31, Matthew 5:43-48 2 Corinthians 5:11-21	Pastor Won Hwang
July 26	What Shapes your Thought, Action, Goal and Life	Genesis 3:1-13, Matthew 5:17-20 Romans 5:15-17	Pastor Won Hwang



### NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Someone very special to us recently celebrated a birthday. Happy birthday, dear Lynne. We all wish you the very best. You have done so much for Graceview that you deserve to be celebrated.

It seems that Miss Ellie wanted in on the action of wishing Lynne a happy birthday, or maybe she just wanted to sneak a piece of birthday cupcake!!



## A Taste of Italy Dinner



Outreach plans to host a dinner on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> in the downstairs hall. It will feature an Italian themed dinner and will be prepared for us by the new culinary teacher at Thistleton Collegiate and his students. Chef Keith Hoare will be involved too. Ticket prices are \$30 and all proceeds from the dinner will go to the Thistleton Euro Trip to Italy which will take place during the 2027 March Break. The proposed date of Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> will be confirmed the first week of school in September. Please save this date on your calendar!

## A Summer Devotional Update (June 16):

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

## Common Scents

Please be advised that our church has a scent-free protocol. It seems that some of our dear parishioners feel unwell due to heavy floral smells. Please be considerate of those in our congregation who are affected by strong smells and odors and refrain from perfumes or colognes when coming to worship on Sunday mornings. Thank you one and all.

## Lemonade for Fellowship Time

Effective June 14 we will be serving lemonade at the Fellowship time after worship. If you are so inclined to donate a box or 2 of cookies to help cover the summer months, it would be very much appreciated. Please give your donations to Kathy or Susan so that we can store them safely during the summer months. Many thanks to those who have already donated.

## September Bible Study

Jacob Birch from the Canadian Bible Society will be leading an 8-week bible study beginning on Tuesday, September 15 at 12:15. He will be offering an overview of the bible from Genesis all the way to Revelations. Mark this in your calendars as it should prove to be a fascinating journey through the Bible.



## PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE

\* Pray for the people of war-torn countries (Iran, Ukraine, Sudan) who are living in fear and uncertainty. Pray for those close to home who need your special love and guidance during trying times. Pray for our country, Canada. Pray for those who are afflicted with the Ebola virus in the African country of the Congo

\* Pray for **Ali Tavosoli's** family who resides in Iran.

\* Pray for the family of **Margaret Munene**.

\* Pray for **Koko Ikele** whose father passed away.

\* **Also, please keep these people in your prayers:**

Viralyn Goolcharan, Shirley Pollock's daughters Nancy and Laura, Ruth Ann Ross, Bob Woolley, Giulietta Ponzini, Ryan Jory, Harold Hussey, Teresia Njoki, Roman and Adrian P., Ed Lattimore, Margaret Munene's brother Simon, Lenore Carty, Sheila Thomas' grandson, Carter, the Jarvis family (Wayne, Shannon and Dale), Olive S.

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 to walk and enjoy Centennial Park

\* Thursdays @ 2:00 PM – Worship service at Centennial Park Place

\*Wednesday, Sept. 16 @ 2:00 PM – Music & Worship meeting



## Prayer/Reader/Announcements for 2026

### Prayer Roster

July 5 Chris Parr  
July 12 Margaret Munene  
July 19 Pastor Eric  
July 26 Bob Twynam  
Aug. 2 Chuka Ikele  
Aug. 9 Pastor eric  
Aug. 16 Nancy Green  
Aug. 23 Maureen Screen  
Aug. 30 Pastor Eric

### Lay Readers

Kathy Twynam  
Nancy McPherson  
Al Bishop  
Vi Lobodowsky  
Nancy Green  
Anna Cherniak  
Koko Ikele  
Harry Learoyd  
Chris Parr

### Welcome and Announcements

Bob Twynam  
Kathy Twynam  
Bob Twynam  
Susan Chopp  
Bob Twynam  
Iris Lee  
Kathy Twynam  
Nancy McPherson  
Susan Chopp



### WEEKLY SMILE



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## July Calendar



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	1 	2 Service @ CPP 2:00	3	4
5 Wretched Man, Glorious Saviour Rev. Eric Lee	6	7 Walking Group 11:00	8	9 Service @ CPP 2:00	10	11
12 Cultivating the Soil of Our Hearts Rev. Eric Lee	13	14 Walking Group 11:00	15	16 Service @ CPP 2:00	17	18
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