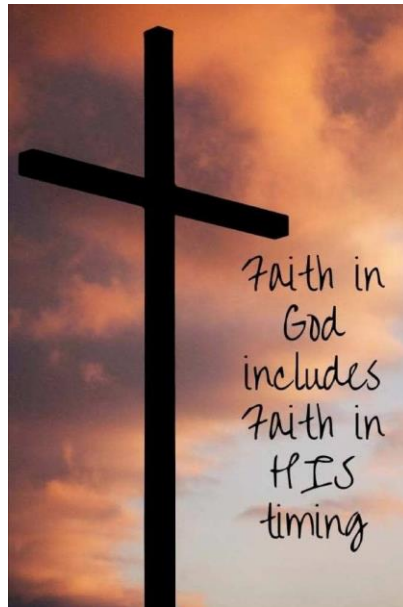




Sept. 23, 2026

We are firmly into the swing of things at Graceview. Activities have begun and on some days the church is humming with activity. Tuesdays are particularly busy with Bible Study, Elaine's Craft Club, Session meetings, and coming this October, Sing! Etobicoke. The only Tuesday activity that was missing was the Walking group which is on an indefinite hiatus. Hopefully, this will return in the warmer weather. Today at Bible study we again were about 14 in number. Discussions were lively and for me, some biblical questions that I have had for many years were finally answered. Afterwards, 4 of us stayed behind to decorate the church in fall colours. That took no time at all but was most satisfying to gaze upon our accomplishments.

I would like to speak a little bit about my dear 4-year-old neighbour Giulietta who has been treated this past year for neuroblastoma. What this tiny tot has had to endure is above all understanding, but thankfully she has come out the other side and is now at home with her family. She has even begun to attend daycare with her twin sister. Nothing makes me happier than to walk my dog past their house and to hear the tap, tap on the window of their living room. I look up and there are 2 adorable munchkins waving at me and blowing me kisses. It does my heart good to see this and to know that God has taken this dear child under his arm and guided her safely through the tests and surgeries and medications that she has had to endure.

If any of you have a heartwarming story about yourself or someone you know, please send it to me and I would be delighted to share your story of faith, determination and power of love and prayer. We all have THAT story. I look forward to hearing from you.



Worship Calendar

Sept. 27	What's It All For?	Philippians 2:1-11	Rev. Eric Lee
Oct. 4	Communion Sunday - In View of God's Mercy	Romans 12:1-2	Rev. Eric Lee
Oct. 11			Rev. Jan Hieminga
Oct. 18			Rev. Jan Hieminga
Oct. 25	Holiness Gets Personal	Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-19	Rev. Eric Lee
Nov. 1	Turned Right Side Up pt. 1- The Gospel We Have Received	Micah 3:5-12	Rev. Eric Lee
Nov. 8	Turned Right Side Up pt. 2- Faithful to the Word	Micah 3:8 Revelation 22: 18-19	Rev. Eric Lee



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Devotional Box – To be or not to be?

The Devotional Box on the front porch of the church has been in place since 2020. It began during COVID as a means to distribute physical support (cloth masks supplied by the Graceview Masked Maker) and spiritual support (various devotionals, Graceviews, Presbyterian Connection and other publications) to our church family and to our community. I believe it has served its purpose and should now be retired. However, if you or someone you know still relies on the Devotional Box to pick up devotionals etc., please let me know and finding a sturdier container for these materials will be investigated. Thank you.

Nancy McPherson (416-622-8053/mcphersonn@yahoo.com)

Walking Group

As was announced in church, the walking group has disbanded. This does not mean that you cannot partake of a lovely stroll in Centennial Park, but the church is no longer implementing this activity. It seems people are either too busy or just not as “gung-ho” as they used to be. Who knows, we may decide to resurrect this as a church activity once the weather gets warmer again. To all those walkers and puppies who participated in the past, thank you for joining us in some lovely walks and lunches that followed. The fellowship was the best part.

Bible Study Dates

Please take notes of the dates that the Bible Study will occur.
Sept. 22; Sept. 29; Oct. 6; Oct. 20; Oct 27; Nov. 17; Nov. 24



The Decorating Elves



Well, the Decorating Elves were at it again this week. Our church is now resplendent in vibrant Autumn hues. Many thanks to Lynne, Kathy, Georgena and Susan.

Coffee/Tea Sign Up

It is time again to volunteer for coffee/tea service after worship services. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Adamson Lounge. September is already full, but there are plenty of spots left for the remainder of the year. If you can, please sign up for multiple dates, so that we are not left short at the last minute. Thank you.

Sept. 20 – Earl & Carol
Sept. 27 – Susan & Kathy
Oct. 4 – Nancy & Margaret
Oct. 11 –
Oct. 18 –
Oct. 25 – Carol & Iris
Nov. – Outreach



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Outreach is organizing a food/cash drive for the St James Food Basket to provide them with selected food products for their client families. The following items have been suggested: canned tomatoes, canned tomato paste, tuna, canned beans (e.g. chickpeas), and 1-pound (454 grams) packages of pasta (not in boxes). We will put a large tote bin at the front of the church beginning on Sept 27th to hold your items. If you prefer, you can make a cash donation (cash, cheque or e-transfer) which will be used to buy these items in bulk by the Food Basket. Please mark your donation for the Outreach account, Food Drive, and include your envelope number. Let's aim to fill the bin to overflowing by Sunday, October 18th and share our blessings with those who are struggling to make ends meet.



Ethel's Contact Information

Ethel Waite still remains in the McCall Rehabilitation Centre. She now has a cell phone and has asked for me to share her phone number with Graceview. You can reach her at 289-952-3878. I am sure she would love to hear from you.

Kento's New Musical!!

Kento has created a new musical entitled REIMU which is a modern reimagining of the Japanese folk legend, Snow Woman. The world premiere will take place on Friday, October 16(evening) and Sunday, October 18 (matinee) at the Array Space Studio (155 Walnut Avenue). Here is the link for more information. The production is endeavouring to raise funds through a GOFUNDME page. That information is also in the link that I have provided.

Well done, Kento. We, at Graceview are so proud of all you have accomplished.

<https://www.hibikiproject.org/reimu-hp>

A Taste of Italy Dinner

Outreach plans to host a dinner on Friday, October 16th at 6 pm in the downstairs hall. It will feature an Italian themed dinner and will be prepared for us by Chef Keith and the students in the culinary program at Thistlethorn Collegiate. Ticket prices are \$30 and all proceeds from the dinner will go to the Thistlethorn Euro Trip to Italy which will take place during the 2027 March Break. Please save this date on your calendar! Tickets can be purchased from Jean Ross, after service.



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.



Sing! Etobicoke

Mark your calendars: Sing Etobicoke returns on October 20!

The full schedule is attached. **Notice that sessions are now on Tuesdays**

New this year: no more registering ahead of time! Sing Etobicoke is now fully drop-in. If you feel like singing, just show up to whichever weekly session works for you. Come every week, come once in a while, however it fits into your life. Please do remember to continue to sing in.

Also, I'm happy 😊 to report that Kento, Carol and Toia are all returning to make this our best Sing Etobicoke year ever. As always, it's completely free and open to everyone in the community, so bring a friend or neighbour along if you'd like. We've missed our Sing Etobicoke community, and we're so glad you'll be raising your voices with us again this year. See you on October 20!

Sing Etobicoke! 2026 Fall Schedule

Date	Start Time	Location	Workshop Theme
October 20, 2026	9:30 AM	NPCC	Voices of Fall
October 27, 2026	9:30 AM	Graceview	Spirits and Stories (Guest Day I)
November 3, 2026	9:30 AM	NPCC	Catch a Falling Star
November 10, 2026	9:30 AM	Graceview	The White Cliffs of Dover
November 17, 2026	9:30 AM	NPCC	Canadian Classics
November 24, 2026	9:30 AM	Graceview	La Mer
December 1, 2026	9:30 AM	NPCC	Movie Night
December 8, 2026	9:30 AM	Graceview	Road Trip!
December 15, 2026	9:30 AM	NPCC	Holiday Sing I
December 22, 2026	9:30 AM	Graceview	Holiday Songs (Guest Day II)

Sing! Etobicoke! 2027 Winter Schedule

Date	Start Time	Location	Workshop Theme
January 12, 2027	9:30 AM	Graceview	Voices of Winter
January 19, 2027	9:30 AM	Graceview	The Great American Songbook
January 26, 2027	9:30 AM	Graceview	A Day in the Life
February 2, 2027	9:30 AM	NPCC	Musicals and more (Guest Day III)

February 9, 2027	9:30 AM	NPCC	That's Amore!
February 16, 2027	9:30 AM	NPCC	A Morning of Ballads
February 23, 2027	9:30 AM	Graceview	Downtown
March 2, 2027	9:30 AM	NPCC	Stand By Me
March 9, 2027	9:30 AM	Graceview	Sunshine, Lollipops and Rainbows
March 16, 2027	9:30 AM	NPCC	Voices of Spring (Guest Day IV)



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 Congo. Especially, pray for those affected by the forest fires in northern Ontario.

* **Ryan Jory** (Jean Fox's nephew) – Doctors recently found more issues with his ongoing battle with cancer.

* **Shannon Jarvis** had her cataract surgery on Friday, Sept. 11 and all went well.

*** Please keep these people in your prayers:**

Ethel Waite
Luka and Simon
Olive S.
Harold Hussey
Ed Lattimore

Anna Cherniak
Ali Tavossoli's family
Ruth Ann Ross
Teresia Njoki
Sheila Thomas' grandson, Carter

Margaret Munene's brothers,
Viralyne Goolcharan
Bob Woolley
Roman and Adrian P.
Jarvis family

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

- ❖ Thursdays @ 2:00 PM – Worship service at Centennial Park Place
- ❖ Monday, Oct. 5 @ 7:00 PM – Outreach meeting
- ❖ Friday, Oct. 16 - @ 6:00 PM – A Taste of Italy Dinner
- ❖ Friday, Oct. 16 & Sunday, Oct. 18 – REIMU (Kento's musical)
- ❖ Tuesday, Oct. 20 @ 9:30 – Sing! Etobicoke begins at NPCC
- ❖ Monday, Nov. 9 @ 6:30 PM – Mission Team meeting



Prayer/Reader/Announcements for 2026

Prayer Roster

Sept. 27	Kathy Twynam
Oct. 4	Pastor Eric
Oct. 11	Halyna Parypa
Oct. 18	Chris Parr
Oct. 25	Pastor Eric
Nov. 1	Margaret Munene
Nov. 8	Pastor Eric
Nov. 15	Nancy Green
Nov. 22	Susan Chopp
Nov. 29	Pastor Eric
Dec. 6	Susan Chopp
Dec. 13	Maureen Screen
Dec. 20	Pastor Eric
Dec. 27	Nancy McPherson

Lay Readers

Kathryn Twynam
Margaret Munene
Georgena Engineer
Bob Twynam
Kathy Twynam
Nancy McPherson
Al Bishop
Vi Lobodowsky
Nancy Green
Anna Cherniak
Bob Twynam
Harry Learoyd
Chris Parr
Susan Chopp

Welcome and Announcements

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

WEEKLY SMILE



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Facebook Page	Graceview Presbyterian Church		
Instagram Page	https://www.instagram.com/graceview.presbyterian?igsh=MnlpeXE5YTYyN2ly		

September 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Walking Group 11:00	2	3 Service at CPP 2:00	4	5
6 Authority Most High Rev. Eric Lee	7 Labor Day	8 Walking Group 11:00 Craft Club 11:00 Outreach 7:00	9	10 Service at CPP 2:00	11	12
13 Visit of Knox College Principal Rev. Ernest van Eck	14 Mission Team 6:30	15 Bible Study 12:15 Session 6:30	16 Music & Worship 2:00	17 Service at CPP 2:00	18	19
20 It's Not Fair?! Rev. Eric Lee	21	22 Bible Study 12:15	23	24 Service at CPP 2:00	25	26
27 What's It All For? Rev. Eric Lee	28	29 Bible Study 12:15	30			