

Welcome to  
**Grantham MB Church**

by Eve



**Kingdomtide**  
**2025**

# Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025

“My flesh and my heart may fail,  
but God is the strength of my heart  
and my portion forever.”

Psalm 73:26 (NIV)

## Call to Worship

*Children of Light*

Greeting & Prayer ~ Psalm 105

*O Worship the King (WT#48)*

*Everything We Need*

*Jesus Strong and Kind*

## Hearing the Word

Scripture: Exodus 3:10-15, 4:1-2

Children's Prayer Time

Scripture: Psalm 73:25-26; 2 Timothy 1:7; Luke 24:45-49

Sermon: Dave Patterson (Westheights BIC)

“What God Wants to Know: What is in Your Hand?”

## Responding to the Word

*The Summons (WT#521)*

Prayer of Confession

Ministry Focus & Prayer of Intercession

Offering

## Sent out into the World

*Salvation Belongs to Our God*

## Benediction

Passing the Peace

**Prelude:** Joyce Schimpky

**Service Leader:** Elaine VanSchyndel

**Song Leader:** Ingrid Heidebrecht

**Scripture Reader:** Hank Unrau

## **TODAY:**

**10:00 AM** ~ Coffee Fellowship Time

**10:30 AM** ~ Worship Service

***\*\*Children remain in the service\*\****

**Nursery (ages 0-3):** Ryan Brennan-Straiton & John Himes

**After the service** ~ Library open

## **NEXT SUNDAY:**

**9:45 AM** ~ Coffee Fellowship Time

**10:00 AM** ~ Outdoor Worship & Communion Service

***\*\*Children remain in the service\*\****

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

**Scripture:** 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Galatians 6:1-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

**Sermon:** Ryan Jantzi (Ministry Director at Ontario Conference of MB Churches)

## **JOINING TOGETHER IN COMMUNION:**

Next week, we will be celebrating Communion as we gather around the Lord's Table together. This includes sharing the bread and cup, bringing food to share with those in need, and bringing the elements to our members at Tabor Manor who are unable to attend the worship service. Please prepare yourselves, as this is one of the most important things we do together as a church. Donations for the Benevolent Fund and the Food Pantry will be received this Sunday.

**Food Pantry Needs:** Nut-free granola bars, fruit cups, large cans of soup, personal hygiene products: toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, menstrual, etc.

## **After the service ~ Bring Your Own Lunch (BYOL)**

In lieu of our usual first Sunday of the month potluck, we will be eating together in different ways throughout the summer months. On Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, everyone is invited to stay after the worship service and bring a packed picnic lunch as we eat and fellowship together. Coffee, tea & water will be provided.



## **THIS WEEK:**

**TUES:** Office Closed for Canada Day



## **Outdoor Worship Services Begin July 6!**

We are looking forward to gathering for worship in God's good creation. Get your lawn chairs, umbrellas, water bottles, and sunscreen ready! Weather permitting, we will hold three outdoor services starting next Sunday. Coffee Fellowship Time will remain before the service every Sunday throughout the summer.

◇ **July 6** ~ Worship & Communion Service followed by "Bring Your Own Lunch"

◇ **July 13** ~ Worship Service

## **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.*

- We lift up Pastors Mike & Tabitha and the whole VandenEnden family as they continue to focus on faith and family during this Sabbatical. We thank God for His guidance and spiritual protection as they further their knowledge and fortify their minds, bodies, and souls over the next few months. We pray that His hand will be evident in all of their encounters and that He continues to cover them with His presence. May they all experience health, strength, and well-being so as to be able to make the most out of this time together.
- On Tuesday, Canada will celebrate its 158th Anniversary of becoming a Confederation. We lift Canada and all of her people up in prayer today. We thank God for helping us to acknowledge our flaws and celebrate our successes and we honour those who have walked before us to build the country we call home. We pray for our Indigenous brothers and sisters, that the process of Truth and Reconciliation would be graced with His guidance and wisdom. We pray for our government and our leaders, that in this global time of conflict and strife, Canada would be able to respond with the empathy and compassion Jesus showed us.
- Multiply: Pray for B & A, Multiply workers in global contexts. Pray for the launch of the WithYou discipleship app, for accessible discipleship pathways in every global context, and for new believers being discipled in regions of opposition and persecution.

### **(Prayers of last Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>)**

- Our MaryAnne Duerrstein and Lisa Boldt as they grieve the loss of their young relative, Lionel Klassen-Hall (Vancouver).
- Our graduates and all our students, teachers, and administrators as they conclude the school year.
- MWC: The Mennonite church in Ukraine
- Multiply: Aurélie Hirschler, Multiply worker in Burundi.

## ***Congratulations Graduates!***



As we approach the end of the school year, we want to congratulate all our students and teachers for their hard work and dedication this past year.

### **Special recognition to those who have graduated:**

Senior Kindergarten ~ Sofia Peñaloza (Ferndale Public School)

Grade 8 ~

- ◇ Kenna Janzen-Dyck (Valedictorian at William Hamilton Merritt Public School)
- ◇ Madison Plett (Dalewood French Immersion Public School)
- ◇ Allison Torres Molina (Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School)

## 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 today at [GranthamChurch.ca/SBA](http://GranthamChurch.ca/SBA)!**

#### **ADULT Volunteers Needed!**

**Group Leaders**  
**Station Leaders**  
**Reader's Theater**

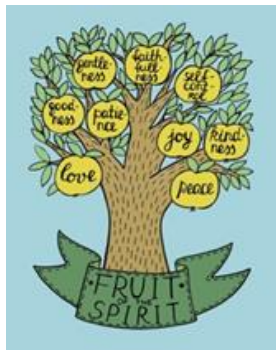
#### **YOUTH Volunteers Needed!**

**Group Helpers**  
**Station Helpers**  
**Nursery Helpers**  
**Reader's Theater**

**Please email [taya@granthamchurch.ca](mailto:taya@granthamchurch.ca) ASAP!**

## JOINING TOGETHER IN WORSHIP:

We're excited to bring back our **summer bulletin cover series**—and we need your creativity! Our theme this year is "**The Fruit of the Spirit**", and we're inviting artists of all ages to share original artwork inspired by Galatians 5:22-23. Each week will highlight a different **Fruit of the Spirit**, and we'd love to include your creation on a Sunday bulletin cover this summer!



If there is a specific Fruit of the Spirit you would like to illustrate, please contact Taya Himes. Artwork can be submitted in **portrait orientation** to Emily F in the church office by **TODAY**. Let's celebrate the Spirit's work among us and may your creativity bear fruit!

## JOINING TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY:

### THE FELLOWSHIP SUMMER CHALLENGE!

In summers past, the Fellowship Committee has arranged a dearly loved event, BBQ With Who?! (A *Guess Who's Coming to Lunch* mystery event). As we looked at the calendar for July and August and considered what a sabbatical (time of rest) means for our committee, we have decided to forego the formal BBQ event and instead issue a challenge! **How will you respond?**



**CHALLENGE:** Arrange your own summer get-together(s) with Grantham attendees you'd like to get to know better! The day and party size is completely up to you! Feel free to draw inspiration from events like *BBQ with Who?!* or *Brunch on the Beach*. It could be as simple as a coffee or tea time 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.

**What if I'm not in a position to host?** Not to worry! Every get-together needs guests! You can either wait for an invitation or contact Emily in the church office to communicate your interest in participating. We'll do our best to connect you with a host!



**Do I need to share my plans with the committee or church office?** Nope! But if you'd like to, we are interested in hearing about it! We'd also love it if you took a picture and shared it with us! If we get enough, we'll put together a slideshow at the end of summer.

### 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.





# Grantham MB Church

Sunday Worship Service

Summer Hours

## July & August 10am Worship Service

9:45 am ~ Coffee Fellowship Time

10:00 am ~ Worship Service

Following the service ~ Library Open

## UPCOMING:

**July 6 ~ Outdoor Worship & Communion Service followed by "Bring Your Own Lunch" (BYOL)**

**July 13 ~ Outdoor Worship Service**

**July 16-18 ~ Summer Bible Adventure for grades JK-Gr.6**

**July 20 ~ Worship Service with Songs & Stories for ages 3-10 and Quinceanera Blessing followed by Refreshments**

**August 3 ~ Worship & Communion Service followed by a Peach Social**

**August 10 & 24 ~ Worship Service with Songs & Stories for ages 3-10**

**End of August / Early September:  
Photo Directory Picture Days**

## **COMMUNITY NEWS & 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](https://mccglobal.my.site.com/MCCJobs)

*Hope in Bloom*

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Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 2025  
2–6pm

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@ WILLOWMERE HAVEN IN  
NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE  
(982 LINE 6 RD.)

*\$50/pp*  
OR  
*\$300/Table of six*

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