



Grace Weekly News

March 20, 2026

WORSHIP UPDATES FOR GRACE



Lent Continues:

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| Sunday, March 22 | 10:30 am | Sunday Worship – Lent 5
- Good News rooted in justice, mercy and faithfulness. |
| Sunday, March 29 | 10:30 am | Sunday Worship – Palm / Passion Sunday
- The start of Holy Week begins with the story of Jesus’ entrance into Jerusalem, a parade and a crowd. |



Special Events and Services:



Thursday, April 2

6:00 pm *Maundy Thursday worship and Seder Supper*

(Please sign-up for Dinner – on the Bulletin Board)

Free Will Donation

followed by *Overnight Vigil*

Friday, April 3

10:30 am *Good Friday worship*



Sunday, April 5

7:00 am *Short outdoor Sunrise Service*
at waterfront

10:30 am *Easter worship and celebration*
at Grace



Livestreaming!! Join us Sunday in person or online via Livestream. To attend, via the Grace website, [click here](#) or on YouTube Search line, type in specific worship date (e.g., March 22, 2026): press Enter.

MONTHLY MOVIE SERIES

Our next screening will be on **Friday March 27th**, from 6:30 - 9pm in the Oak Room. For March, our theme is Women’s Stories, and we will be watching ‘**Beans**’, a feature film that follows a young Mohawk girl during the Oka Crisis in 1990, whose perspective on life is radically changed by these events.



LENTEN CORNER

Lent – a time to pause, reflect, rejoice and rejuvenate!

Our Lenten Theme this year is: **“Tell Me Something Good.”**

Good News speaks to us through daily encounters, acts of kindness and new discoveries of God’s compassionate presence in our world. Please join us in the Lenten events as you are able.



Prayer Cards: Lent 5 – Rooted in Justice, Mercy & Faithfulness

Don’t forget to pick-up your Lent 5 Prayer Card package available in the foyer.
Digital Copies also available.

Good News reminds us that we are called to protect and care for all God’s creation.

Lent Loot

Give up something during Lent and put the money in a purple “Lent Loot” bag, to be returned at Easter. **Farm Radio International** is our chosen charity this year. It has, for 40 years, provided information and support to more than one million farmers in 54 languages across Sub-Saharan Africa. Health, nutrition and drought management education helps farmers help themselves.



You can also include your Lent Loot donation in your weekly envelope. Just indicate ‘Lent Loot’ under “Other”.



Adding light Lenten Candles

Each week the days get longer and the candles get brighter
as we reflect on God’s gifts to us.

Find a way each day to carry that light to someone
– a phone call, a visit, a gift, a smile!

HAPPENINGS!

Regular Weekly Activities:	
Mondays:	Healthy Aging Exercise – 10am Zoom
Tuesdays:	Progressive Theology – 7:15 pm - Zoom
Wednesdays:	Bible Study – 9:30 am (starts Jan 7) Men’s Luncheon – 1 st Wed each month – 12:00pm @ Casa Mia Rhythm & Pitch Music Lessons – 4:00pm
Thursdays:	Healthy Aging Exercise –10:00 am Zoom Bible 101 – 6:30 pm Choir Practice –7:30 pm
Fridays:	Grace Gamers – Last Fri of each Month FFCE Movie Night – Last Fri of the Month

Additional This Coming Week:	
Mar 22	Sunday Worship – 10:30 am – 5th in Lent
Mar 27	Grace Gamers – 1:00 pm
Mar 29	Palm Sunday Worship – 10:30 am
Mar 30	Pantry Baking – 1:00 pm
Mar 31	Pantry Cooking Class – 5:00 pm

New Members Welcome

Please contact Rev. Susan
at 705-817-3402
or eagle.susan@gmail.com

FFCE:

Family Dinner and Game Night - Wednesday, April 15th 5:00-6:30pm

Children and families, come join us at the church for dinner and games this April! Parents are welcome to come and meet over dinner, while the kids have some fun with board games and activities. The event will run from 5:00pm - 6:30pm on April 15th. We have a bunch of games at the church, but feel free to bring your own as well!



STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE:

MOTHER'S DAY DESSERT SALE

Coordinators are needed for this fundraising event on the Saturday before Mother's Day in May. Please contact Mary Greiner or Edith Elliot for more details.

OUTREACH TEAM:

Our need this week is: [See our Easter Pantry Giveaway Poster](#)

EASTER SPECIAL FOOD TREATS – Tues, March 31st

For special holidays, our Pantry volunteers look for ways to enhance the food items that are regularly provided. Our Easter giveaway this year is scheduled for the morning of **Tuesday March 31**. We are hoping that members of Grace will help provide some of these items to enhance our Easter food baskets. See the poster **included** with Grace Weekly News for suggested items.

CLOTHING DONATIONS

Guests of our **Tuesday Morning Breakfast** struggle with the change in temps that require extra warm & dry clothing. **We are in desperate need of: ANYTHING!** Bring to the Office.

JAM JARS & GARDENING PREP

Could you please return any empty jam jars to the Church so Edith can begin prepping new jam jars. Also, needed for our garden prep: coffee grounds, clean egg shells & tea bags.



CONGREGATION..... NEWS & NEEDS

Spring Roast Beef Dinner



Thank you to everyone who volunteered and those who attended our Spring Roast Beef Dinner. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. I thank the wonderful ladies and gentlemen who helped it succeed again!

Sharon Squire

CANADA SHIRTS

Karen Whitehead will be delivering the shirts to those who purchased them. Please remember your money if you have not already paid. Thank you!



Bulletin Board

Community News

Barrie Food Bank Donations Gift		Central Heating Barrie
Lyrca Choir: Made in Canada – Sacred Sounds	Mar 28 @ 2:30 pm	Burton Ave UC
The Toronto Passion Play: <i>Light in the Dark</i>	Apr 3 & 4 @ 3pm & 7pm Apr 5 @ 3pm	Church on the Queensway
Speaker Series: Canadian Collage - Cdn Fascination with the Weather <i>Dave Phillips</i> - Canada: Leader in the New World Order <i>John Kirton</i> - Nazis in our Midst – <i>Judy Humphries</i> - From Malton - Pearson: Pilot's Experience <i>Kent Smerdon</i> - History & Future of Cdn Health Care <i>André Picard</i>	April 21 @ 1:30 pm April 28 @ 1:30 pm May 5 @ 1:30 pm May 12 @ 1:30 pm May 19 @ 1:30 pm	Third Age Barrie (at Grace United Church) Register at: www.thirdagebarrie.ca (see attached poster)
Knights of Columbus: Cabin Fever	April 24 @ 6:30	Knights of Columbus, Barrie

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