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Do you love ice cream? Do you love fun? Then Save The Date!!

Sunday May 26 right after worship we will have a Spring Fling on our front lawn....

Merry Dairy ice cream truck! School of Rock performances! Games! Fun! Surprises!

More details to come....See Rev. Molly if you want to help out.

Plus for the month of May there will be a Merry Dairy ice cream fundraiser as we sell pre-packs of some of their fave flaves to be picked up on May 26!



You are invited to join us for the **Audacious Hope National Gathering**, a transformative event designed for

youth, young adults, and their leaders.

Date: Wednesday, July 3 - Saturday, July 6, 2024

Location: Brock University, 1812 Sir Isaac Brock Way, St. Catharines, ON

Format: In person

Presented by the Rendez-vous 2024 team of The United Church of Canada and the uplift team of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, this event marks an exciting collaboration to inspire, empower, and uplift our communities.

Highlights of the gathering include:

- Worship Leadership by Adele Halliday and Mitchell Anderson
- Young Adult Keynote Speakers:

Eclipse Glasses

We are collecting eclipse glasses to send to Astronomers Without Borders, for distribution to schools and charities in Latin America in time for their eclipse in August. Please deposit yours in one of our collection boxes by April 21. Thank you!



Rainbarrels

Earth Day is coming this week: A good week to order your rain barrel, composter or accessories from this year's rain barrel

fundraiser. We will be distributing rain barrels on Friday June 21, 2024 from 6pm to 8:30pm. Rain Barrels, composters and accessories can be ordered online at <https://rainbarrel.ca/orleansunitedchurch/> Do you have your own idea for a rain barrel? Possibly with a flower pot container on top? Consider buying a tall 3' or 4' planter that pleases you (from a building store) and the accessories (hoses, diverter, spigot, plastic hole saw) needed to convert it to a rain barrel from us. For more information, contact Annemarie Humenuk at kayakforever@gmail.com

News from the OUC Book Club

We will be meeting on April 30 at 1 pm in the church Library to discuss *Patriot Games* by Tom Clancy. All are welcome to join us. Contact Marie Ruddick at mdruddick@gmail.com for additional information.



Andrew Hyde (The United Church of Canada) and Spencer Edwards (The Presbyterian Church in Canada) discussing the theme "Call and Vocation"

- Adult Leaders Keynote Speaker: Jim Cain
- Youth Theme Time Speakers sharing personal stories of audacious hope

Cost and Registration:

Early bird registration: April 15 - May 15 (\$425)

Regular registration: May 16 - May 31 (\$500)

Registration closes: May 31, 2024

[DOWNLOAD THE EVENT BROCHURE HERE](#)

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to connect, learn, and grow together.

Fellowship after Worship



Thank you to the persons who helped with the fellowship.

Set-up: Rob Palo and Lyle Fair

Baked donations (special thank you for those that responded to my request email) Rob Palo, Heather Young, Joan Brennan, Anne Castricum, Emily del Castillo, Debbie Arcand, Joan Brockelbank, Barattia Family, Gord Gray

Clean-up: Ashley Good, Emily del Castillo, Debbie Arcand, Heather Young, Rob Palo and all those who helped put away the tables and chairs.

The coffee time staff wishes to ask for napkins as a special donation.

We have two volunteers for 12 May, we are looking for a third. Please email me at lemaylegaf@yahoo.com.

Thanks,
France



Help Hints

Check out supports in the community:
<https://www.communityhomesupport.ca>



Calling all ladies.

Join me for an evening of fellowship and conversation on Wednesday, April 24 at

6:30 pm. All are welcome: feel free to bring a friend! Phone or message me to RESERVE a seat -- 613-327-2523 or joanbrockelbank@gmail.com.

Camp Awesome



Women's Retreat

Women's Retreat at Camp Merrywood near Perth will take place April 26 to 28th this year. The theme will be "Where Friends Gather". Registration is now open. Forms and payment can be left at the Fundraising table on Sundays or left in the office during the week. Cost is \$150 for the weekend. For information contact Jean Shaddick at scrapbookjean@icloud.com



OUC Fun Golf and BBQ

For all, please save **Sunday, June 23rd, 2024** for this Annual fellowship event.



Voices of the Bereaved

"After 12 years, I still miss her just as much as the day she died."



Men's Retreat

Friday September 6 - Sunday September 8
Special guest Captain Reverend Mike Perreault, speaking about Military Chaplains. For more information, contact Peter Holt (pjholt49@yahoo.ca).

Community Corner

SOUTH GLOUCESTER UNITED CHURCH
PRESENTS:

ELECTRONIC RECYCLE DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH
9 - 4 PM
SOUTH GLOUCESTER UNITED CHURCH
2536 RIDEAU RD

ACCEPTABLE ELECTRONICS

Desktop Computer	Home Audio/Video Equipment	Mobile Audio/Video Equipment	Desktop Computer
Printer/Scanner/Fax Machine	Portable Computer	Computer Peripherals	Printer/Scanner/Fax Machine
Personal Digital Assistant/PDA	Small Appliances	Video/Audio Equipment	Cellular Phones and Chargers

FOR MORE INFO VISIT US AT:
www.sguc.org

All electronics, small appliances (basically, anything with a cord) and scrap metal are accepted. Also, clothing will be accepted for reuse or recycle - bring your holey socks! If you can't make it to South Gloucester, bring your items to OUC tomorrow and Kim will look after them.

That's life!

The biggest joke on humankind is that computers have begun asking humans to prove they aren't a robot.

I don't mean to interrupt people but I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

Do you ever wake up in the morning and look in the mirror and think... "That can't be accurate?!"



Keep your 2024 grocery budget on track by using **GROCERY GIFT CARDS**

Grocery gift cards are available in the hall after services and in the office during the week. Any questions regarding this long standing fundraiser (that costs you nothing extra) can be sent to:

dianne.davis@bell.net.

Ways to Give

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORT OUR CONGREGATION WITH THEIR TIME AND WITH THEIR FINANCIAL DONATIONS

If you would like to contribute financially, you can do so in a number of ways, including:

- By cash or cheque on Sunday morning in the collection plate, or deposited in the church mailbox
- After church in the Hall with your debit card
- By pre-authorized monthly donations (call office for information)
- Through your United Way contributions
- (simply choose OUC as the beneficiary)
- E-transfer to:

oucdonations@rogers.com

- Using a credit card Through Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org>
- Using either a debit or credit card through the Plently App: <https://uc-orleans.plenty.com/>

Be in Touch!

We would love for you to reach out to us.... we are here for you!

Website: <http://orleansunitedchurch.com>

Email: orleansunited@rogers.com

Phone: 613-837-4321

If you know someone who would like to receive this newsletter, sign them up through the main office (call or email)

This Week at OUC

Friday April 19: Orleans Noon - Chapel, 11:30 - 1:30

- Beaver Colony B sleepover - Hall/Kitchen, Friday 6 pm to Saturday noon

Saturday April 20: Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Chapel 9 am - 2 pm; Choir Room/Room 12, 9 am - 2 pm

- Suzanne Sicard Funeral - Sanctuary/Hall/Kitchen, 3:30 pm
- Cubs Sleepover - Hall/Kitchen, 6 pm Saturday to 8 am Sunday

Sunday April 21: Worship - in person and live-streamed, 10 am

- Confirmation - 11:30 am - 6 pm, Whole Church except for:
- Vintage Stock Theatre - Hall, 1 - 3 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Library, 4:30 p - 7:30 pm

Monday April 22: Craft Group - Library, 9 am - noon

- TOPS - Lounge/Nursery, 6 pm
- Scouts - Chapel/Library/Hall/Choir Room
- Bytown Beat - Sanctuary, 7 pm

Tuesday April 23: TOPS - Nursery, 6 pm

- Scouts - Library/Hall/Choir Room
- Coro Vivo - Lounge, 6:15 - 7 pm; Sanctuary, 7 pm

Wednesday April 24: Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am

- A'Chord - Chapel, 9:30 - 11:30 am
- Just Us - Chapel, 1 - 4 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm

Thursday April 25: TOPS - Library/Lounge, 8:30 am

- Java Jive - Chapel, 10 am
- Vintage Stock Theatre - Hall, 6 - 9 pm
- Coro Vivo - Library, 7 - 9 pm
- Senior Choir - Sanctuary/Choir Room, 7:30 pm
- Al-Anon - Chapel/Nursery, 7:30 pm

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