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## Youth Event January 28

It's time for our next Youth Event....Rock n Bowl and taco bar at Molly's!

Sunday Jan 28 we'll meet at 4 pm at Orleans Bowling Centre for a few games of bowling, then head back to Rev. Molly's place for tacos and chit chat until 7:30 ish. Cost \$15. RSVP to Molly ASAP so we can reserve lanes. Can't wait to see you!!

## Council note

Council is delighted to announce it has appointed Karen Dodds as incoming Council Chair filling the vacancy that existed. She brings a great history and many significant gifts to this role. As we work on the Council slate for 2024, there are several vacancies that need to be filled including secretary, incoming chair, and members (up to 3 openings). If you are feeling called to ministry in this way, chair Alison Sales, or Revs Molly or Mike would be pleased to talk with you!



## Sunday School help

Our Sunday School program is looking for some support with our grade 3-6 class. As their teacher Peter can attest, this is a wonderful group of youth who are energetic, full of questions, and have great senses of humour. They would love to spend time with you! We have a good curriculum and all the supplies & support you need. All we need from you is an open heart and a willingness to lead two classes between now and June. Please talk to Rev Molly if

## 8<sup>th</sup>. Orleans Scout Group

Orleans United Church

1111 Orleans Blvd.

Orleans, Ontario.

## Shrove Tuesday Feb. 13, 2024



- ✓Peters Perfect Pancakes
- ✓Children \$5.00
- ✓Adults \$10.00
- ✓Family \$30.00
- ✓From 5-6 PM

Tickets are available from Peter Holt, after Sunday services.



## Core Chorister

Orleans United Church is seeking 2 singers to provide professional support to its volunteer SATB choir. One Core Chorister will assist the soprano and alto sections; the other Core Chorister will assist the tenor and bass sections. Read the full posting on our website at [orleansunited@rogers.com](mailto:orleansunited@rogers.com).

## Star Words

We are currently out of Star Words, but we will be getting more soon. Watch this space for their arrival. If you have requested a star word from Molly or Kim, it is in an envelope with your name on it in the office.

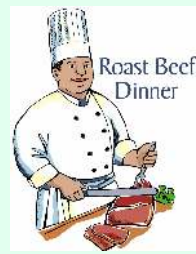


you can share your gifts.



### Youth Confirmation

This spring Rev Molly will be offering interested youth the opportunity to explore their faith and their lives, and become Confirmed in the church if they so desire. An info meeting for youth and their parents will be held on Sunday Jan. 28 after worship. Please let Rev. Molly know if you'll be attending.



### Roast Beef Dinner

#### March 2:

Music at 4:30 in the Sanctuary  
Blessing at 5:15  
Supper at 5:30

**Cost:** \$20 per person, 50 for a family (children under 16). Please see **Brian Braceland** at the end of this Sunday's service to register and pay. Payment can be made by cash, cheque, debit, or e-transfer to [oucdonations@rogers.com](mailto:oucdonations@rogers.com).

We are looking for donations of pies to serve for dessert. We will auction off any leftovers at the end of the evening.



### Donation Envelopes

There are still 50 boxes of offering envelopes for 2024, sorted by last name, in the Office. Please search by NAME as some of the numbers have changed. As you pick up your envelopes, you can assist delivery by checking for any that you could easily drop off. Thank you.

### Annual Reports

It's that time of year again! Anyone responsible for writing an annual report for their committee is asked to have them in to the Office no later than January 31, so the report booklet can be ready for the Annual Congregational Meeting in February. Thank you!



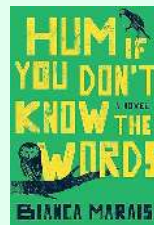
### Fellowship after Worship

Thank you to all who helped with this Sunday's fellowship.

**Set-up:** Rob Palo, George Teather, Rob Orchin

**Baked Donations:** Denise Connors, Mark Pogue, George Teather, Emily del Castillo, Rob Palo and the Barattia Family.

**Clean-up:** Emily del Castillo, Heather Young, Rob Palo, Richard Davis, Robbie Chapman (couple of weeks ago), Peter Holt, Rob Orchin, David MacWilliam, Paul Sales



### Book Club

The OUC Bookclub is meeting in the library at 1pm on January 30th. We will be discussing *We Meant Well* by Erum Shazia Hasan. It is an engaging novel that grapples with timely questions about what it means to be charitable, who deserves what, and who gets the power to decide. All are welcome.

In other news, we will be hosting a guest author, Bianca Marais, on February 26th by zoom (also at 1 pm). The book is called *Hum if you don't know the Words*. Perfect for readers of *The Secret Life of Bees* and *The Help*, it is a perceptive and searing look at Apartheid-era South Africa, told through one unique family brought together by tragedy. If you are interested in either of these novels or events, contact Annemarie Humenuk at [kayakforever@gmail.com](mailto:kayakforever@gmail.com) for information or to obtain the zoom link.

### Compassionate Ottawa Program Coordinator Contact Posting

Compassionate Ottawa (CO) is a volunteer-driven community organization that aims to build community capacity to care for one another, especially in times of serious illness, grief, loss, and caregiving. As a result of a parental leave, CO is seeking an individual to fill a part-time (30

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hours/4 days per week) contract for our Program Coordinator position. The incumbent will implement community outreach, support public facing events and workshops, manage our volunteer program, as well as build relationships with new communities that CO does not currently serve. This contract is for \$48,000 (based on a full-time annual salary of \$60,000) with a start date of March 2024, and is for a 10-month period, with the possibility of an extension. The position offers an excellent opportunity to play a leading role in working collaboratively with volunteers to support activity in CO's current program priority areas.

Additional information about CO can be found at [www.compassionateottawa.ca](http://www.compassionateottawa.ca). For the complete posting, please contact [hmcgraths@gmail.com](mailto:hmcgraths@gmail.com).



## Help Hints

Want to help? Ask for a favour: "I need a change of scenery (or I need to get out of the house). Can I sit with your loved one for an hour while you take a walk?"



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

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?  
Our winter 10 session program may be for you.



**Support GROUP**

Thursday, January 25  
7:00pm – 9:00pm  
at Divine Infant Parish

For more information, contact **Diane Jemus** at  
(613) 614-0980 or [djem3380@gmail.com](mailto:djem3380@gmail.com)

## VOICES Of The BEREAVED

Great. Now I have to do both our jobs.

Couldn't you have left the passwords somewhere??



## 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](mailto: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](mailto:oucdonations@rogers.com)

- Using a credit card Through Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org>
- Using either a debit or credit card through the Pllenty App:



## Community Corner

Starting January 18, 2024, Kanata United Church will be offering an expanded youth music program on Thursdays from 5:30-6:15pm! This program will offer youth an opportunity to build community in a music-centered program, with a focus on singing, playing instruments and learning music theory fundamentals. All children ages 5-13 are welcome to participate, free of cost and with no prior musical experience required. Please email Nick at [nick@kuc.ca](mailto:nick@kuc.ca) for more information



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## 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](mailto: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)

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## Points to Ponder

A giraffe's coffee would be cold by the time it reached the bottom of its throat. Ever think about that? No, you only think about yourself.

I choked on a carrot this morning, and all I could think of was, "I'll bet a doughnut wouldn't have done this to me!"



Valerie and Vanessa London of the London Trio Plus will present a workshop on singing Gospel Music at Glebe-St. James on Saturday February 10th, 10 am - 12:30 pm. The workshop is open to all...ages 16 to 80...come lend your voice...no experience necessary! Pay what you can (suggested donation \$30).

That evening at 7:00 pm also at Glebe-St. James, there will be a concert of Gospel and Spiritual music presented by the London Trio Plus and friends under the direction of Valerie London. LTP has been a staple of Ottawa's music scene for many years and continues to delight audiences with their musical selections and voices in perfect harmony. Pay what you can (suggested donation \$30). Those who attend the morning workshop will be invited to participate in the concert and will not be expected to make another donation.

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## This Week at OUC

**Friday January 19:** Orleans Noon - Chapel, 12 - 1:30 pm

**Saturday January 20:** Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Choir Room/Room 12, 9 am - 1 pm; Hall/Kitchen, 2 - 4 pm

- Scouts - Hall, 9 - noon
- CPR course - Lounge, 10 am - noon

**Sunday January 21:** Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am

- Seventh-day Adventists - Library, 4:30 - 7:30 pm

**Monday January 22:** Fire Alarm Testing - 8 am

- Property meeting - Library, 10 am - noon
- Scouting - Chapel/Library/Hall/Choir Room
- TOPS - Lounge/Nursery, 6 pm
- Bytown Beat - Room 12, 6:30 - 7:30 pm; Sanctuary, 7 pm

**Tuesday January 23:** TOPS - Nursery, 6 pm

- Scouting - Lounge/Hall/Choir Room
- Council - Library, 7 pm
- Coro Vivo - Sanctuary, 7 pm

**Wednesday January 24:** A'Chord - Chapel, 9:30 - 11:30 am

- Quilter's Workshop - Choir Room, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
- Just Us - Chapel, 1 - 4 pm
- Joyful Yarn - Lounge, 7 - 9 pm
- Spirit Sisters - Room 12, 7 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm

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

- Java Jive - Chapel, 10 am
- Tai Chi - Hall, 10:15 - 11:15 am
- Senior Choir - Sanctuary/Choir Room, 7:30 pm
- Al-Anon - Chapel/Nursery, 7:30 pm

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