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Thursday Greetings!

I so enjoyed Pentecost Sunday worship! I hope you did too, whether you tuned in online or participated in person. It's good to be reminded of the power of the Holy Spirit and it's good to remember that the Church began as a movement in response to that Spirit. When we compare the Spirit of God to the Winds of Newness, we are reminding ourselves of the impermanence of things. Seasons come and go. Leadership comes and goes. And yet the Church carries on, fluidly and hopefully led by God's Spirit.

I have been pondering impermanence as I wind down my ministry with and among you. I have been having many good conversations lately and remembering various points along our 5 ½ year journey together. I am grateful that we have emerged into some form of "new normal", at least in terms of our worship life and the use of our building by various community groups. I pray that the spirit of God continues to move in and through Orleans United Church for many years to come.

Some of you have expressed a desire to stay in touch with me, especially via social media, after my departure from the OUC leadership team. I have deactivated my Facebook account and have migrated over to Linked In. I would welcome connecting with you there: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/caroline-penhale-376887108/>

Grace and peace to you in the week to come,

Rev. Caroline



In honour of **National Indigenous Peoples Day** coming up on June 21, our worship service will focus on reconciliation, justice and kinship. We hope you find this information on the Doctrine of Discovery helpful in preparation.

As Canada embarks on celebrating the 150th anniversary of Confederation, let us acknowledge that Canada's "origin story" does not begin with the British North America Act of 1867 signed by representatives of British and French colonial powers. Congregations are encouraged to enact our commitment to repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery in all aspects of ministry, including in worship.

The Doctrine of Discovery refers to a set of Papal Bulls that justified the invasion and confiscation of lands, and the genocide of the original inhabitants of those lands who did not declare themselves to be Christians. According to leading Indigenous lawyers, the Doctrine was an effort to legalize conquest, the appropriation of land, and the annihilation of cultures.

With the call from Indigenous Peoples for the churches to acknowledge and repent of their participation in the implementation and running of the Indian Residential School system, The United Church of Canada, alongside many other Christian churches, began a process of self[1]examination of its history and legacy of colonization and its oppression of Indigenous Peoples.

The 2012 repudiation by the United Church was one step in our long journey of listening, repentance, and the building of right relations that began with the 1986 Apology to First Nations Peoples offered in Sudbury, Ontario.

This repudiation was done with the recognition that the spiritual and ideological foundations of the Doctrine violated the essential gospel teachings of Jesus, which actually call us as people of faith to challenge empire and dominant societal structures, care for and share God's resources with all, and love our neighbours as ourselves, just as God loves us.

For resources on this theme, search www.united-church.ca for "doctrine of discovery."

Farewell to Rev. Caroline

Rev Caroline's last service at OUC will be on June 26. Following the service, please join us for a farewell reception in the hall. This will be an opportunity for members of the congregation to properly recognize and celebrate the five and a half years of dedication, service and leadership Caroline has given to our church community. Hope to see you all for coffee, tea, cake and fond farewells.



On Sunday June 5th I was delighted to baptise Theresa and Helen and to welcome them and their mom & dad Angela & Mike in to the OUC family. These 2 baptism bring the total number of baptisms at OUC for this church year to 20. We give thanks to God for these moments of grace made visible. Surely this is a sign that God is on the loose in this place.

If you are interested in exploring baptism for yourself or your child this Fall, please contact the office.

Grace and peace,
Rev. Caroline

Sunday School

There will be Sunday School this Sunday, June 12, and again on June 19th. This will be one-room Sunday School for all ages, and children and teachers will be asked to wear a mask.

Here is the latest on the Ukrainian refugees we are supporting in Elk and Stare Juchy in Eastern Poland:

Thanks to the generosity of the folks from OUC, I was able to send another \$ 500.00 to Revs Dariusz and Monika Zuber in Eastern Poland to help look after the Ukrainian mothers and children that they and their two parishes are hosting. They will let me know what supplies this money will buy – and hopefully send us a few more good pictures of the families!

Please consider helping these families.

Thanks,
Peter Holt



Family: Mother Irina, children: Sofia and Daniel. They come from the city of Dniper in eastern Ukraine. They live in a guest room in the UMC parish in Elk, next to the pastor's apartment. They often visit the pastor's apartment, where they use the washing machine, kitchen and play in the children's rooms. Daniel goes to Polish school during the week, and Sofia goes to kindergarten right next to the parish.



OUC has a Prayer Chain!

For many years now, OUC has offered a prayer ministry. You can request that the members of the prayer team pray for you, for your loved one, or for a particular local or global concern. All prayer requests are shared among the group confidentially. You are invited to send your prayer request directly to ouc.prayersforall@rogers.com, an email monitored by only one CST member. For more information, please contact the office.



Coffee Time

Last week, Coffee Time was well attended (70+) persons came to our Hall for coffee time and fellowship.

Thank you to the following persons for their help:

Set-up: Rob Orchin, Paul Legault, Rob Palo

Baked donations: Michelle Snowden, Joan Brennan, Ann Gagnon, France Lemay-Legault

Clean-up: Emily del Castillo, Helen Guth, Rob Palo, Heather and Stephen Young, Rob Orchin, Alison Sales

Exchange for the month of June 2022: Let's do DVDs, CDs and puzzles for the month of June.

Paul and I will be away from Ottawa a few weekends this summer and we are looking for volunteers to replace us for Coffee Time on the following dates: **7 August, 14 August, 4 September**. Please email lemaylegaf@yahoo.com to say which Sunday you can volunteer and we will get together for a training session on how the coffee and set-up is done.

France Lemay-Legault

MASON JARS (250ml size) are once again needed to make jam over the next few months for the Christmas Bazaar. If you have any jars to donate, please leave them in the church office.

HELP Ottawa

Our beautiful home grown art pieces of HOPE ARISING, will be dedicated at **1:30 pm on June 21**.

Update: The church's rain

barrel fundraiser will be distributing the pre-ordered rain barrels and accessories on June 25th from 10 am to 2 pm.

Please order by June

17th at <https://rainbarrel.ca/orleansunitedchurch/> to ensure a successful sale. If

the items you were looking for were sold out, try again now as many items have been restocked. For existing rain barrel users, I recommend the clear dispensing hose: it shows how much rain is in the rain barrel and makes it easier to fill watering cans. For more information, contact Annemarie Humenuk at kayakforever@gmail.com



Broadview

Broadview subscription renewal time is upon us. The price is \$25 for the year, beginning in September. That is excellent value if you compare similar

magazine prices. The articles are thought provoking, and the news from the wider church is particularly welcome. Payment may be dropped off in the form of cash or cheque in an envelope marked Broadview to the church office. Cheques should be made out to Orleans United Church, with an indication for Broadview. Payment may also be made by e-transfer to the church with the same indication. Contact Shirley Holt at shirleyjholt@outlook.com or at 613-841-5143 to confirm your renewal or start a subscription.

A very special thank you to Jason Hirst for installing the pieces as his gift to OUC.

Distinguished guest Dr Allan Kellehear, Professor of End of Life Care at Bradford University, will be present and will meet with the HELP Ottawa team after the presentation. He will be offering a public lecture that evening at Carleton Dominion Chalmers Centre on how care around death and dying is everyone's responsibility.

Please join us in the dedication of HOPE ARISING.



Caring for our seniors. Be in the know. Elder abuse workshop over Zoom, June 22, 7-8:30 pm. For Zoom link, email Heather McGrath at hmcgraths@gmail.com



Compassionate Ottawa is inviting you to the official launch event for **Together Ottawa Ensemble (TOE)** on **Saturday, June 11 from 12 – 1:30 pm** in **Jean Pigott Hall within Ottawa City Hall**. This is a free, bilingual event to share in a moment of silent remembrance of those we have lost; hear personal stories from front-line workers and others deeply impacted by the pandemic; listen to live music performed by The Broken Bridges; and enjoy food provided by Moo Shu Ice Cream and Chef Ric's. A welcoming ceremony by an Indigenous Elder will also be featured, as well as words from Mayor Watson and Dr. Vera Etches.

<https://togetherottawaensemble.ca/event/launch-of-together-ottawa-ensemble/>

Community Corner



Community Association Forum on Environmental Sustainability (CAFES) - cafesottawa@googlegroups.com

We had a fabulous time at the Great Glebe Garage Sale for the first-ever CAFES Pollinator Plant sale. It is a fundraiser for paying our web-developer costs. It was a

OUC Fun Golf and BBQ



Calling all golfers and duffers: Are you ready for an afternoon of fellowship, fun and food? If yes, then the OUC Fun Golf at White Sands followed by a pot luck BBQ at the Gray's is where you'll want to be on Sunday, June 12th. The golf will take place at White Sands off St Joseph with the first tee starting around 12:30 pm followed by the BBQ at the Gray's. Golfers of all abilities and ages are welcome, as is anyone wishing to only join in at the BBQ. Our Fun Golf Day is also a wonderful opportunity to invite guests. For more details and to register, please email Dot at dotcooper@hotmail.com.

5 at the First Presents a Fundraiser for OUC



an exciting chamber music concert on **SUNDAY, JUNE 26 at 2- 4 pm**
Hosted by Orleans United Church
1111 Orléans Blvd, Orléans, ON K1C 7C8
www.orleansunitedchurch.com

ANGELA PARK piano
JESSICA LINNEBACH violin
RACHEL MERCER cello

Program (includes a 15-min. intermission):
Lili Boulanger *2 Pieces for Violin & Piano*
Rebecca Clarke *Piano Trio*
Jocelyn Morlock *Serpentine Paths for Violin & Cello*
Fanny Mendelssohn *Trio No. 1 in D minor Op. 11*

Tickets are now on sale (\$20). For more details, please contact:

orleansunited@rogers.com

For more information about **5 at the First**, please visit: www.5attheFirst.com

Artist photos by David Leyes, Fred Cattroll & Bo Huang
Photography



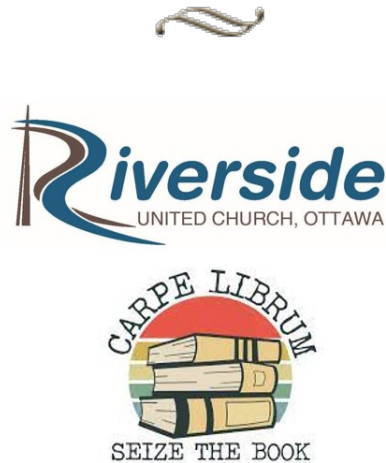
Grocery gift cards
are available for all
President's Choice stores,

great success!

But we have 149 pollinator plants left. Help!

These babies are available for sale and pick-up on Friday or Sunday of this week. Great prices, good cause! See all details on the [order sheet](#).

Order nowwhile inventory lasts!



3191 Riverside Dr.

Book Nook Sale

Saturday, June 18th

10:00 AM to Noon

Large selection of used books

(during the Ottawa Organic Farmers Market).

Masks are required and physical distancing is expected.

Metro/Food Basics, Farm

Boy and Tim Horton's. These cards are an excellent fundraiser for OUC. Email [Dianne Davis](#) to order yours today!

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:

- By cash or cheque to the main office
- 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>

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 June 10: Maria Cherry recital - Sanctuary, 6 pm

Saturday June 11: SDA - Sanctuary/Choir Room/Room 12, 8:30 - 1 pm

Sew & Sews - Hall, 9:30 - 3:30

Scott Richardson - Sanctuary, 3:30 - 5:30

Sunday June 12: Worship service, in person and live-streamed, 10 am

Janet Neild - Chapel, 1 pm

SDA - Library, 4:30 - 7:30

Monday June 13: Bytown Beat Sanctuary 7 pm

Scouts - Hall/Library/Choir Room/Chapel, 6 pm

TOPS - Lounge/Nursery, 6 pm

Tuesday June 14: Crafters, Library 9 am

SDA - Room 12, 10 am

Scott Richardson - Sanctuary, 4 - 8 pm

Scouts - Hall/Choir Room, 6 pm

TOPS - Nursery, 6:30 pm

Wednesday June 15: A'Chord - Chapel, 9:30 am

SDA - Room 12, 10 am

Just Us - Hall, 1 pm

Glen Stoudt - Room 12, 1:30 pm

Scott Richardson - Sanctuary, 4 - 8 pm

Thursday June 16: TOPS - Chapel/Nursery, 8:30 am

Glen Stoudt - Room 12, 1 pm

Search Team - Library, 7 pm

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