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Please join us as we journey to the cross:

Palm Sunday service - March 24, 10 am Maundy Thursday - March 28, 7 pm Good Friday - March 29, 10 am Easter Sunrise service - March 31, 6:45 am at Petrie Island - bring your lawn chairs. Those who wish to may join Rev. Mike at Gabriel's on St. Joseph after the Sunrise service Easter Service - March 31, 10 am in the Sanctuary

Stained Glass Windows

Our Sunday School kiddos have made some stained glass window crafts as a



fundraising project. All funds raised go towards replacement of church windows that are reaching their end of life cycle. Please check out these beautiful works of art at the gift card table this Sunday. All donations will be recorded for income tax receipts.



Repair Cafes are free, community-led events where volunteer fixers and menders assist other members of the community with repairing household items such as small appliances, textiles, electronics, furniture, toys, etc. Repair Cafes are open to everyone and are a wonderful place to share skills and knowledge, keep broken items out of landfills and build community. There are thousands of these Repair Cafes all over the world. In addition to the repairs, visitors will be able to have complementary tea, coffee and snacks. The Repair Cafe will take place in the hall of the Orleans United Church on June 2nd, between 2pm and 5pm. Volunteers will be asked to come to the church about one hour before the doors open.

Repairers we are looking for include those who are able to fix bikes, clothing and textiles, and small appliances/other electronics. A bonus would be someone who can fix instruments, wooden objects, toys or jewellery.



Christmas Market Nov. 16. 2024

We have started creating the beautiful things for this year's sale and we

have a request. We are looking for 100%

wool blankets and sweaters that you no longer want, as well as fleece and wool plaid fabrics from your sewing stash. Also, if you are spring cleaning and find bling for the bazaar you can drop it into the office.

We are not going to have a white elephant sale this year. However, if you have something new that you want to regift, keep our silent auction in mind and save it for the fall.

Pat Young, Bazaar coordinator

News from the OUC Book Club:

We will be meeting on March 26, 2023 at 1 pm in the church Library to discuss



The Nightingale by Kristen Hannah. You are all welcome to join us. For more information contact Annemarie Humenuk at kayakforever@gmal.com or Marie Ruddick at mdruddick@gmail.com.



OUC Bazaar Crafting

The OUC Christmas Market (Bazaar) is a major fundraiser for OUC and its work. With the Bazaar coming up in a mere 8 months,

preparations begin again! Each Monday there will be a crafting meetup from 9 am to noon in the OUC Library. All crafters are welcome!

It's not too late to get started ... or start again! 5-Minute Daily Devotional for Lent Gospel Readings with Prayers for the Season

Lent began on February 14, but even though we're half way through, it's not too late to join others from Orleans United Church who are taking a few minutes each day to prayerfully reflect on Jesus' journey toward Easter. All you need is to read a verse from the Bible story included below and reflect on the prayer that is offered plus how that might feed and nurture your spiritual life each day in Lent.

The second half of Lent includes:

Week 5 (A Season of Believing) accentuates the Gospel of John's

IRONWOOD QUARTET MIX







Saturday, March 23 @ 7.30pm
Hosted by the Orleans United Church
IIII Orleans Blvd. Orleans ON

Jessica Linnebach & Emily Kruspe, violin Carissa Klopoushak, viola Rachel Mercer, cello

DOBRINKA TABAKOVA The Smile of the Flamboyant Wings DMITIRI SHOSTAKOVICH Quartet No. 10 Opus 118 ROBERT SCHUMANN Quartet Opus 41-3

Chamber Music Concert at OUC on Saturday March 23, 2024

The **5** at the First chamber music group performs their Ironwood Quartet Mix concert at Orleans United Church at 7:30 pm on Saturday Mar. 23.

Tickets are \$20 each for adults. Children accompanied by an adult are admitted free of charge.

This is how to purchase tickets:

- By e-transfer to <u>oucdonations@rogers.com</u> and include "Mar. 23rd concert" in the message part of the e-transfer form;
- By credit or debit by using our payment app: https://uc-orleans-payments.pllenty.com/ and include "Mar. 23rd concert" in the Regarding/Invoice # part of the payment form; or
- By cash at the church office. Please contact Ron Hunt at <u>re.hunt@sympatico.ca</u> or 613-298-1626 for more information.

encouragement to trust in Jesus' spirit-filled wisdom and power as we make our way to Easter.

- · Week 6 (A Season with "I AM") looks at the seven "I am ..." verses from John's Gospel, remembering that in Exodus God said to Moses, "I am who I am" ("Yahweh" in Hebrew and translated LORD in NRSV).
- Week 7 (A Season of Courage) walks with Jesus through the final days (Holy Week) leading to his crucifixion, with excerpts from all four Gospels.
 Download all the readings <u>HERE</u> and scroll to Week 5. Paper copies are available at the church office.

With grace, mercy and peace on your journey.

OUC's Spiritual Direction Ministry



Where: OUC

When: March 24, 5 pm

What: Chili supper with homemade pie,

silent auction, trivia

For tickets: see a CVO choir member or email tickets@corovivoottawa.ca

Fellowship after Worship

Thank you to all who celebrated St-Patrick's day during the fellowship.



For more information, see poster on the bulletin board in the Hall, or contact Dana Ducette (dducette@united-church.ca, 613-608-8411).

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. Register early to ensure your spot. Cost will be \$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.



Set-up: Rob Palo, George Teather

Baked donations: Gordon Gray, Emily del Castillo, Joan Brockelbank, MaryLou Robillard

Clean-up: Rob Palo, Heather Young, Emily del Castillo, Debbie Arcand

Paul and I are travelling in May, so we need two volunteers to make the coffee and treats for 12 May coffee service. Please email me at lemaylegaf@yahoo.com.

Thanks, France

Community Corner



The **Zoom link** will be live at 6:45 pm on Friday, April 5.



Choral Singing and the Aging Voice

Sunday, April 14, 2024, 3 pm Glebe-St. James United Church

Why does my voice wobble?
Why am I running out of breath?
Will I ever get my high notes back?
Should everyone have vibrato?
Do I have to "blend" my voice in a choir?



A Meaningless Hour

with
King Solomon & the Book of Ecclesiastes
presented by Tom Sherwood

Mark your calendars for Friday, April 12th, 7 - 9 pm, in the OUC Sanctuary. \$20 per person. A "Fringe-Festival style" presentation of "King Solomon" as he appears in the biblical Book of Ecclesiastes, infused with humour and contemporary references. Purchase tickets at: https://springevent2024.pllenty.com/



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).



Help Hints

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

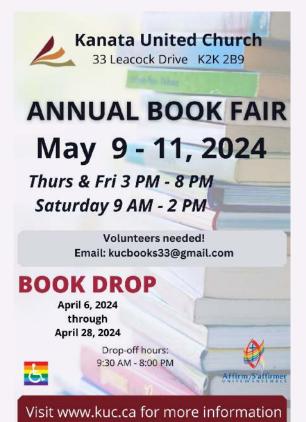
Keep your 2024 grocery budget on track by using **GROCERY GIFT CARDS**



Grocery gift cards are available in the hall

Dr. Mark Wilkinson will share the truths of the human voice to answer these questions and more. Bring your curiosity and a writing tool to learn how to keep your voice healthy for a lifetime. 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,

- 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:

including:

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: https://uc-orleans.pllenty.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 March 22: Tai Chi - Hall, 9 - 12:30

- Orleans Noon Chapel, 12 1:30 pm
- Scout Troop C sleepover Hall/Kitchen, Friday 5 pm Saturday 5 pm

Saturday March 23: Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Choir Room/Room 12, 9 am - 1 pm;

- Chamber Music Concert Sanctuary, 7:30 pm *
- Coro Vivo Kitchen, 6:30 pm

Sunday March 24: Palm Sunday Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am

Coro Vivo Trivia Night - Hall/Kitchen, 5 - 8 pm *

Monday March 25: Craft Group - Library, 9 am - noon *

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

Tuesday March 26: Just Us - Chapel, 1 - 4 pm

- TOPS Nursery, 6 pm
- Scouts Library/Hall/Choir Room
- Coro Vivo Sanctuary, 7 pm

Wednesday March 27: Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am

- A'Chord Chapel, 9:30 11:30 am
- Scouts Arctic Expedition Presentation Sanctuary/Hall, 6:30 9 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists Chapel, 7 9 pm

Thursday March 28: TOPS - Nursery/Library, 8:30 am

- Java Jive Chapel, 10 am
- Maundy Thursday Service Sanctuary, 7 pm
- Senior Choir Sanctuary/Choir Room, after service
- Al-Anon Lounge/Nursery, 7:30 pm

Friday March 29: Good Friday Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am

Sunday March 31: Sunrise Service - 6:45 am at Petrie Island

• Easter Worship - in person and live-streamed, 10 am

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