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Office hours: Monday to Friday,
8:30 am - 12:30 pm



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Service Scripture

Sunday November 15:
1 Thessalonians 1:1, 4a; 5:1-11

OUC's Annual Fall leaf raking and property clean-up will take place Saturday, 14 November beginning at 9 am. This is a fun, whole of community activity and many hands, large and small, will make light of the 80-100 bags of leaves that as stewards and good neighbours, we need to remove before the Bazaar and first snow. Please bring your own gardening tools, leaf rakes, spare leaf bags, and blowers if you have them. Also, a special thank you to Matthew and Bernard Kennedy for getting the property clean up started last Sunday by removing



Help Wanted



We are collecting quite a lot of items intended for Centre 507, and we are looking for someone who is able to deliver them. If you are willing to take a trip downtown on a weekly basis, please let Kim know.

Looking for a Sign?

We're looking for a few folks to help change OUC's outdoor sign after church on Sundays. Mike and Molly will supply seasonal messages of 13 characters per line, three lines total.
Would you like to help us spread the word? Let us know by email if you would like to help: **orleansunited@rogers.com**

LLWL Activity This Week

Jasmine will be preaching here at OUC.



It's that time….Pageant!!

Our pageant this year is called "OUC goes to Bethlehem" and we will need folks of all ages and stages to

some 10 bags of leaves from the waterline replacement area.

2027 offering envelopes are available for pick up in the Narthex. Boxes will be arranged alphabetically.
Ensure that you get the correct set as some numbers have changed.



Rose Legace Music Fund



Back in 2017 OUC received a bequest from Rose Legace with the stipulation that it be used to support music, and especially youth in music, at OUC. The bequest was used to launch **OUC's Core Chorister** program wherein we employ young professional musicians to serve as core members of the senior choir. If you'd like to add to your regular offerings to support this initiative, please do so and mark the offerings either "*Rose Legace Fund*" or "*Core Chorister Program*".

2027 United Church Calendars Now available! This year's theme is 'Draw the Circle Wide'. The cost is $13 each. If you would like to order one, please contact Kim in the church Office. Deadline to order is **Friday November 16**.



Bazaar News



participate. If you would like to have a role in the pageant - child, youth, adult, or senior - please let Rev. Molly know as soon as possible! The rest of you, get your camels ready....we're going on a journey!!!



Attention Broadview Subscribers!

It's time to renew your subscription. Subscriptions now run from January to December. For just $30 (including tax), you'll receive 6 more issues of Broadview delivered straight to your mailbox. You won't want to miss out on a single issue of the magazine's award-winning coverage of spirituality, social justice and ethical living, as well as United Church news and perspectives.
Please contact Peter or Shirley Holt at pjholt.71@gmail.com to arrange your payment by November 25th. We will also be at a table in the Hall after the service on Sunday.
Not a subscriber? It's never too late to join our OUC Broadview subscription group! We can help you get signed up today. And remember — the discounted $30 rate is ONLY for group members.



Book Club

The Orleans United Church book club invites you to come meet the author of *The Winter Witch,* Jennifer Chevalier, in the sanctuary at 1 pm on Tuesday, November 24. Jennifer Chevalier is a CBC radio producer and writer from Ottawa, best known as the head producer of the weekly current affairs program, The House. *The Winter Witch*, her debut novel, was published this year and was longlisted for the 2026 Giller Prize. Inspired by the tales of Canada's Filles du Roi, *The Winter Witch* examines how lies, arrogance, and ignorance can lead to witch hunts in any society. All are welcome. Please pass this information on to your friends and neighbours.

Care & Prayer

A place to lay your burdens.

Democracy in Action!

Thank you to everyone who taste-tested some treats for the Christmas Bazaar and cast a ballot. The votes are in!

We're going to make the Cranberry Apple Rhubarb Oat Slice and the Banana Oat Slice — the responses to both of these sweet treats was overwhelmingly positive.

Unfortunately, the Apple Granola didn't make the cut. Your reviews were mixed, and being a time-intensive dish to make, we've decided to eliminate it.

Thanks for participating!

Bakers, Ready Your Ovens!

Calling all bakers,

The bazaar baking team has made a lot of cookie dough, and we're hoping that you will help bake it for us.

This Sunday we will have packages of frozen cookie dough in the hall after the service. After Sunday, cookie dough packages can be picked up at the church during office hours. Next week we will have pies that those interested could take home to bake.

Thanks for helping make the bazaar a success!

Silent Auction Preview

The online Silent Auction is open! Go to **OUC Silent Auction**. New items are being added daily. Bidding is easy on your mobile phone or computer. You don't need to download an app or create an account. Please share the Auction link to friends and neighbours! The online Auction merchandise will be displayed, with individual QR codes, at the OUC Bazaar on November 21 and Bazaar attendees can bid using their phones.



The Quiet Centre (down the hallway, past the office) is be available after Sunday worship for confidential, one to one support. Care Hosts from our congregation will offer a calm, unhurried space to talk, reflect, pray if desired, or sit in silence with a caring listener. This service does not replace counseling or therapy. It is intended as gentle accompaniment for those experiencing stress, grief, uncertainty, or simply a need for stillness.
All are welcome to come, pause, and be met with care.
Lee Chisholm is our host for this week.

Prayer Circle:

If you have a concern - for yourself, a loved one, or something going on in the world - you can share it with our OUC prayer partners and know it is being lifted up in love and prayer. All prayer requests are shared with the prayer team confidentially, unless you request that your name be used. Feel free to send your prayer request directly to **ouc.prayersforall@rogers.com,** an email monitored by only one pastoral care team member. You will be amazed at how it feels to know that others are praying for you! For more information, please contact the office.

Mabel's Labels! 🏷️

Visit **campaigns.mabelslabels.com** and select Orleans United Church to shop.



Keep your 2026 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. (PC, No Frills, Metro, Food Basic, Sobeys, Fresh Co., Farm Boy, and Shoppers Drug Mart). Preferred payment is cash or debit but we

There will ALSO be a “traditional” paper-bid Silent Auction at the OUC Bazaar on November 21 offering numerous gift cards, unique items, and personalized “experiences”. A few highlights:

- Restaurant gift cards including Moxie’s, Shoeless Joe’s, Johnny Cannuck’s.
- Recreational gift cards including LaserMaxx, Cosmic Adventures, and bowling.
- A gift card for a facial at Ottawa Medi-Spa.
- Gift cards for Vezina Opticians.
- A four-course dinner for 8.
- A “Ladies’ Luncheon” for 6.
- An Indian dinner for 6, delivered.
- Golf passes!



FROZEN FOOD

Order forms will be available after church in the Hall, and in the office during the week. Payment for your pies will happen **at the time of pick-up.** We look forward to another nourishing year.

Bazaar Volunteers Needed!

It "takes a village" to hold a bazaar! If you can spare a few hours on Friday, November 20 (set-up) or on bazaar day - Saturday, November 21, it's a great way to meet new people, and it's fun! Please contact the volunteer coordinator, Mary-Lou Simac at: **mLmsimac@gmail.com**.

Save Your Pumpkins!



The Bazaar Baking Team is looking for uncarved pie pumpkins for bazaar baking. Bring your pumpkins to church on Sunday **November 1st** so we can process them that afternoon.

also accept credit cards. Cards are also available from the Office during the week.

Ways to Give

THE FINANCIAL DONATIONS OF YOU, THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION, ARE THE PRIMARY SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR OUC. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORT OUR CONGREGATION WITH THEIR TIME AND WITH THEIR FINANCIAL DONATIONS. PLEASE GIVE AS YOU ARE ABLE.

You can contribute financially 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**

A New and Easy Way to Give with Zeffy

We’re delighted to share that Orléans United Church now has a new online giving page through Zeffy! Our Finance Committee has been working throughout the summer to bring this new giving option to our church community, and we’re grateful for their time and care. Whether you’re a longtime member, a friend of our congregation, or simply looking for a way to support our ministry, this secure and easy-to-use platform makes giving convenient from wherever you are.

We warmly invite you to visit our new Zeffy giving page: **https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/donation-form/orleans-united-church-main-givings**.

Watch for new campaigns and events to be added throughout the fall, offering even

The Craft Group is looking for donations of Creative Memories Frosted Splits (double sided, self-adhesive stickers) for a project they are doing for the Bazaar. If you have any lying around, please bring them to the Office. Thank you!

🎄 Help Create Wonderful Christmas Gift Baskets!



Our Christmas Bazaar Silent Auction is putting together a collection of themed gift baskets, and we'd love your help!
We're looking for new items that would make great additions to any of the following themes, and please feel free to suggest any items that meet these themes.
☕ Warm Winter Break (Coffee & Tea)
Coffee pods, specialty coffee beans or teas, tea samplers, hot chocolate, a new mug, or even a cozy little throw blanket.
🏡 Staycation
New puzzles or board games for adults or children, movie vouchers, online gaming gift cards, recent bestsellers, bookmarks, or bookstore gift certificates.
🌷 Travel Far & Wide
Eye mask, noise-cancelling headphones, compression bags, collapsible shopping bag, luggage tags, refillable travel toiletries bottles, neck pillow, portable charger
🐾 For the Pet Lovers
Pet treats and toys, gift certificates for a local groomer, pet food, collars, leashes, or cozy pet coats.
Have something that would be perfect for one of these baskets? We'd be delighted to have it! Have any questions? Send an email to Pam Arnott (**arnottp@gmail.com**).
Please drop off your donations at the OUC office anytime **before November 10**.
Thank you for helping us put together some lovely baskets and make this year's Silent Auction a success!

more ways to take part and support our shared ministry. By using the website, you will automatically be included in any future campaign correspondence set up on the platform so you won't miss a single event. Every gift, every amount helps nurture the worship, outreach, care, and community life we share. Thank you for being part of the Orléans United Church family and for supporting our ministry with such generosity.
Questions: Email the office and we'll try to answer as soon as we can.

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)

Community Corner

Good Shepherd Parish Christmas Concert & Fundraiser
Join us on Sunday, 22 November 2026, for the **Good Shepherd Parish Christmas Concert,** at 3092 Innes Road, — an event to uplift our community as we prepare for the Christmas season. Doors open at 6:45PM; the concert starts at 7PM. There will be a reception with light refreshments following the concert. Admission is free, but monetary donations will be gratefully received. Proceeds from the concert will support local families in need: food for families, coats for kids, and donations to local food banks.
Donations can be made online at **goodshepherdparish.pllenty.com**, (specify that your donation is for "Assistance to the Needy"), or by cheque to Good Shepherd Parish, or by cash.

This Week at OUC

Friday November 13:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Orleans Noon - Chapel, Noon - 1 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Choir Room, 7 - 10:30 pm

Saturday November 14:

- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Chapel/Choir Room/Quiet Centre, 8:30 - 1
- Bazaar Baking - Kitchen, 9 am - 9 pm
- CST workshop - Library/Nursery, 9 am - 2:30 pm

Sunday November 15:
- Remembrance Day Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 12:30 - 8 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Library, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- Scouting - Hall, 7:30 - 9 pm

Monday November 16:
- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Bazaar cooking - Kitchen, Noon - 5 pm
- Just Us band practice - Chapel, 1 - 4 pm
- TOPS - Nursery/Lounge, 6 - 8 pm
- Scouting - Hall/Choir Room/Chapel/Library, 6:15 - 9 pm
- Bytown Beat - Sanctuary, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Tuesday November 17:
- Craft Group - Hall/Library, 9 am - 2 pm
- Tai Chi - Hall, 2:30 - 5 pm
- Scouting - Hall/Choir Room/Library, 6:15 - 9 pm
- Coro Vivo rehearsal - Sanctuary, 6:30 - 10 pm
- CA East Solutions - Chapel, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday November 18:
- Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am
- Bazaar Baking Team - Kitchen/Choir Room, 8 am - 9 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm
- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm; 7 - 8:30 pm
- Contemplative Prayer - Sanctuary, 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Thursday November 19:
- Bazaar Set-up - Hall/Choir Room/Kitchen, 8 am - 11 pm
- TOPS - Library, 8:30 - 9:30 am
- Java Jive - Chapel, 10 - 11 am
- Senior Choir - Sanctuary/Choir Room, 7:30 pm
- Al-Anon - Chapel, 7 - 8:30 pm/Nursery, 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Friday November 20:
- Bazaar Set-up - Whole Church, 8 am - 11 pm
- Orleans Noon - Chapel, Noon - 1 pm

Saturday Novmber 21:
- **Bazaar! - whole Church, 9 am - 2 pm**

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