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Service Scripture

Remembrance Sunday November 8:
Colossians 3:12-15

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

David Clemis is at Castleford and Glasgow United Church



It's that time….Pageant!!

Our pageant this year is called "OUC goes to Bethlehem" and we will

some 10 bags of leaves from the waterline replacement area.

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*".

Bazaar News

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 need folks of all ages and stages to 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!!!



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.



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.



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**.



Book Club

The Orleans United Church book club invites you to come meet the author of *The Winter*

pies that those interested could take home to bake.

Thanks for helping make the bazaar a success!

Silent Auction 2026 Goes High Tech!

The Silent Auction has been a highly visible part of the OUC Christmas Bazaar for many years. This year, we're going online! The **OUC Online Auction** starts Sunday, Nov 1. Here's how it works:

1. Go to the OUC Online Auction at: **https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/orleans-united-churchs-christmas-bazaar-silent-auction**
2. Scroll through the items and place bids using your credit card. (When bidding, be sure to read all the information, especially about the voluntary donation to Zeffy.)
3. Check the auction frequently, as more items will be added every week!
4. The auction will close at 1:00 pm sharp on November 21.
5. If you have the winning bid, you'll be notified by email and your credit card will be charged automatically.

Don't hesitate to share the Online Auction link with local friends and family! Let's make this year's Auction the best yet!
Note: Many items will still be auctioned at the Bazaar on November 21 using traditional paper bid sheets. And, shoppers at the Bazaar can bid in the online auction as well, using their phones.

Donations for the Silent Auction can be brought to the church office Mon-Fri 8:30 – 12:30 starting November 2 – don't delay, the sooner the better! Please be sure to label the donation specifically for the Silent Auction and include the donor's name and contact information. Questions about potential donations? Contact Ruth Oswald **rm.oswald@bell.net**.
Canvassing is under way. If you are able to canvass a few businesses, we can still use the help – contact our Auction canvassing coordinator, Stephen Ellsworth **ellswos123@gmail.com** for suggestions. Thank you for your generosity and for helping make this year's Silent Auction a success!

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.

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.
Andrea Fisher 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

Ruth Oswald on behalf of Pam Arnott, Auction Coordinator.



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.

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!



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 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**

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!

🍪 Calling All Unwanted Plates of any size! 🎄

We're looking for donations of odd, mismatched, or simply no-longer-needed plates of any size that we can use to package and display baked goods for our upcoming bake sale at the Christmas Bazar.
Christmas-themed plates would be especially wonderful, but plates of any design, colour, size or style are very welcome! 🎄🌟
If you have a few plates tucked away in a cupboard that you no longer use, we'd be delighted to give them a new purpose — helping us make our bake sale both festive and fun!
Please bring your donated plates to the church office or give them directly to Debbie de Grasse any time after October 24th!

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 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

For those of you who missed Tom Sherwood's presentation of 50 years of Ministry in the United Church, which was held at Glebe St. James Church last month (and had wanted to see it), here is the

Thank you for helping us make our bake sale a success! ❤️

video link: https://youtu.be/2hxIC4zOAng?si=1oUG8TOfl1GLIt_5

This Week at OUC

Friday November 6:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Orleans Noon - Chapel, Noon - 1 pm
- Beavers sleepover - Hall/Kitchen, 6 pm Friday - 9 am Saturday
- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Choir Room, 7 - 10:30 pm

Saturday November 7:

- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Chapel/Choir Room/Quiet Centre, 8:30 - 1; Chapel, 3 - 5:30 pm
- Sew & Sews - Hall/Kitchen, 9 am - 3:30 pm

Sunday November 8:

- Remembrance Day Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- Senior Choir - Sanctuary, 12 - 2 pm
- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 12:30 - 8 pm

Monday November 9:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Bazaar cooking - Kitchen, Noon - 5 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 10:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 5 pm
- Craft Group - Hall/Library, 9 am - Noon
- Property Meeting - Choir Room, 10 am
- Tai Chi - Hall/Choir Room, 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 11:

- Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am
- Christian Women's Club - Hall/Kitchen, 9 - 11:30 am
- Bazaar Baking - Kitchen, 1 - 5 pm
- Joyful Yarn - Choir Room, 7 - 9 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm
- Tai Chi - Hall, 7 - 8:30 pm

Thursday November 12:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 5 pm
- TOPS - Library, 8:30 - 9:30 am
- Java Jive - Chapel, 10 - 11 am
- Vintage Stock Theatre - Choir Room, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
- Senior Choir - Sanctuary/Choir Room, 7:30 pm
- Al-Anon - Chapel, 7 - 8:30 pm/Nursery, 7:30 - 8:30 pm

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