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8:30 am - 12:30 pm

## Keep the Faith Flowing!

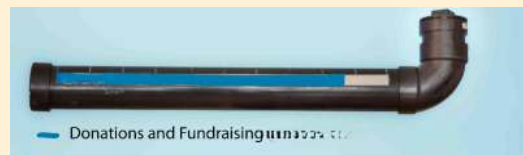
As of mid-September, our campaign to raise money to replace our waterline has raised just over \$92,000. Wow! A huge thank you to all who have contributed – both through

donations and participation in our fundraising events. Our broad church community has also been supportive, for example, we are grateful for a very recent donation from the Canadian Tai Chi Association. What a strong demonstration of our faith in action. With recent City approval of the required permits, we are in a good position to contract the work. That new waterline is coming closer to being a reality.

Please note that the planned November RCMP Pipes and Drum Concert has had to be rescheduled – the new date is April 18, 2027 – mark your calendars now.

Thank you and congratulations Orleans United Church for such a tremendous response to our campaign to fund the replacement of our waterline. Let's keep the faith flowing.

*Karen Dodds, Chair of Council*





**SAVE THE DATE**

**FILL THE TRUCK!**

**COMMUNITY FOOD SECURITY EVENT**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 • 11:30 A.M.**

**ORLEANS UNITED CHURCH  
1111 ORLÉANS BOULEVARD**

**LIVE MUSIC BY SCHOOL OF ROCK ORLEANS**

Bring non-perishable food donations.

More details coming soon.



Gloucester  
Community  
Food Centre

Orléans-Cumberland  
Community  
Resource Centre



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### Help Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to help set up and take down this event, as well as help with loading and unloading the truck. If you can help, please let Rev. Molly know.

### Service Scripture

Sunday October 4: Philippians 3:4b - 14  
"Breaking with the Past"

### LLWL Activity This Week

David Clemis, Castleford and Glasgow  
United Church

### OUC Annual Fire Drill Rescheduled

Hello everyone.

Due to a conflict in OUC activities, the annual fire drill originally scheduled for this coming Sunday, September 27th, has been postponed, and is now scheduled for **Sunday, October 25th**, immediately following the 10 am service.

In the event of an inclement forecast, an alternate date will be chosen, with advance notice given.

Just a reminder that to fully comply with our Fire Safety Plan, OUC is obligated to perform an annual fire drill to ensure that staff and occupants are familiar with emergency evacuation procedures, resulting in orderly evacuation with efficient use of exit facilities.

Upon hearing the alarm, you should leave the building immediately via the nearest available exit and proceed to the mustering point, in our case the large burgundy church sign adjacent to Orleans Boulevard.

### Care & Prayer



#### A place to lay your burdens.

The Quiet Centre (down the hallway, past the office) is 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.

You are NOT to return to the building until the "all clear" notice is given. Designated Fire Wardens from the congregation will be on hand to guide the evacuation process and provide assistance to those who may need it.

Thanks to everyone for your cooperation and understanding.

Bob Kilpatrick  
OUC Fire Safety Manager

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## Bazaar Requests

### 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](mailto:mLmsimac@gmail.com).



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!



### 🍪 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

Heather McGrath 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](mailto: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.



### UPDATE FROM FROZEN FOOD

We are introducing a new feature for bazaar frozen foods this year. You can

now pre-order your chicken pot pies and classic tourtières! The 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 anticipate first pick up will be the first Sunday after Thanksgiving. But, if you need them for Thanksgiving celebrations, come and see us in the kitchen! We look forward to another nourishing year.

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### Mabel's Labels! 🏷️

Visit [campaigns.mabelslabels.com](https://campaigns.mabelslabels.com) and select Orleans United Church to shop.

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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) Any questions regarding this long standing



Debbie de Grasse any time after October 24<sup>th</sup>!

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



### Jam Makers Need Jars!

Big thanks to everyone who has brought in jars for the Bazaar jam makers! However, they are very prolific, and still in need. If you have any empty **250 ml jars**

you no longer need, please bring them to the Office so the Jammers can continue their good work!

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## The Student Christian Movement of Canada (SCM)

SCM is a 100+ year old ecumenical organization (part of the World Student Christian Federation) that connects and empowers students to live their faith by following Jesus' call to stand in solidarity with marginalized people everywhere. In the contemporary context, SCM 'local units', where they exist, often are the only open, affirming, progressive Christian student group on a given campus, bringing much needed community to LGBTQ+ Christian students and their allies.

An SCM unit was re-started in Ottawa two years ago, and the group has been involved in faith studies, prayer vigils for Palestine, and solidarity with the people of Cuba. They are looking for a new student (or young adult) to work part-time as the Coordinator of this group. If you are interested, speak to Rev. Molly or find more information here:

**[Hiring Local Coordinators for the 2026/2027 School Year! – SCM Canada](#)**

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## Congregational Corner

### YOUR OUC Newsletter

We hope this Thursday newsletter keeps you informed of all the happenings in our community. Are there other pieces you would like to see added here? News of the family? Notes from the Revs? Prayers/Scripture readings/Spiritual reflections? Other ideas? If you have thoughts about what should be included in

fundraiser (that costs you nothing extra) can be sent to: [dianne.davis@bell.net](mailto:dianne.davis@bell.net).

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## 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](mailto:oucdonations@rogers.com)
- Using a credit card Through Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org>

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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>

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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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## Community Corner

Join us for a Lunch and Learn with Rev. Dr. Tom Sherwood  
October 4th at Glebe-St. James United Church (650 Lyon St. S)

Tom Sherwood: Witness to a Generation: A personal look back over a 50-year career as a clergy/leader in the United Church and 60+ years of participating in the changing religious landscape in Canada.

Bring your lunch and something to share (12 Noon in Fraser Hall) or join us for his

this weekly update, or ways you might contribute, please send an email to [orleansunited@rogers.com](mailto:orleansunited@rogers.com) .... we want to hear from you!!

presentation at 1 pm in the Sanctuary.

## This Week at OUC

### Friday October 2:

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

### Saturday October 3:

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

### Sunday October 4:

- Worldwide Communion Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 12:30 - 10 pm

### Monday October 5:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Craft Group - Library, 9 am - 3 pm
- Bazaar cooking - Kitchen, Noon - 6 pm
- Just Us band practice - Chapel, 1 - 4 pm
- TOPS - Nursery/Lounge, 6 - 8 pm
- Scouting - Hall/Chapel/Library/Choir Room, 6:15 - 9 pm

### Tuesday October 6:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 5 pm
- Craft Group - Hall/Library, 9 am - 3 pm
- Scouting - Hall/Choir Room/Library, 6:15 - 9 pm
- Coro Vivo rehearsal and AGM - Sanctuary, 6:30 - 10 pm
- CA East Solutions - Chapel, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

### Wednesday October 7:

- Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am
- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 8 am - 5 pm
- Quilter's Workshop - Hall, 9:30 am - 3 pm
- Care for the Caregiver - Sanctuary/Hall, 6 - 9:30 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm
- Tai Chi - Hall, 7 - 8:30 pm
- Contemplative Prayer - Nursery, 7:30 pm

### Thursday October 8:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 5 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



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