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



SAVE THE DATE

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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.



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Come Join Us in Sunday School

We have 9 teaching spaces left between now and January

They are mostly with our JK/SK and Grade 1&2 classes

One coveted Grade 5+ spot NEXT week!

Wouldn't you like to join in the fun???

Contact Rev Molly for details

Service Scripture

Sunday September 13: Romans 13:8-10
'Love for One Another'

LLWL Activity This Week

David Clemis is at Castleford and Glasgow United Church

Property Committee Update

A Thank You to France Lemay-Legault

The Property Committee would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to France Lemay-Legault for her many years of dedicated service on the Property Committee. France has generously shared her time, energy, and expertise in caring for and maintaining our church property. We are grateful for all that she has contributed to Orleans United Church as she now steps down from the committee.

We Are Looking for a New Property Committee Member

With France's departure, we are looking for a new member to join the Property Committee and take on the role of Waste Management Coordinator.

This role involves overseeing the church's weekly waste-management needs and communicating with our custodian and cleaning company as needed.

Communication may be by email, phone, or in person, depending on the situation.



STAMPEDE to MURDER

A 1920s Western Whodunit!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

3:00 PM START • DOORS OPEN AT 2:00 PM

\$20.00

Tickets are on sale now, in the hall Sunday mornings, at the door, or in the church office by debit, credit or cash.

Purchasers can also call the office and reserve tickets to be picked up at the door or they can purchase tickets by e-transfer to: oucdonations@rogers.com with a line item saying murder mystery.

**OUC Men's Retreat
2026**



As a member of the Property Committee, you would also be asked to attend our monthly committee meetings, which typically run for approximately 1½ to 2 hours.

If you enjoy being involved in our church community, are organized, and would like to contribute to the care of our building and property, we would love to hear from you. This is a great opportunity to become more involved in the important work of the Property Committee.

Please contact Property Chair, Heather Graham, if you are interested in joining the team! grahamheather408@gmail.com

Parking Lot Repaired

We are pleased to report that the sinkhole in the church parking lot has now been repaired by Simsko Paving.

During the repair, it was discovered that the concrete sleeve surrounding the drain had developed a hole. The damaged area was patched, the area was refilled with gravel, and the pavement was repaired. The work has been completed, and the area is now safe for use. We appreciate everyone's patience while this repair was being completed.

We are in need of a church host for the Repair Café being held at OUC on **September 19, 2 - 5 pm**. Duties are simply to be there at start and end, unlock the kitchen and help cafe volunteer find stuff they need for snack time. If you think you can help, please contact the church office.



Junior Choir is back this fall! We will be rehearsing most Sundays after worship. Our first practice will be **Sept. 20** in the Choir Room. Rehearsals will generally last 30-40 min. I'm hoping to have the Juniors sing in church two or three times between now and Christmas. The age range is SK to Grade 6 (though please feel free to chat with me about kids who are interested but fall just outside that range). Please e-mail me at cscotttrichardson@rogers.com, or find me after church. Thanks! Scott

September 25 to 27 at Camp Merrywood. Our theme is Faith in times of Chaos. Join us for great food, fellowship and conversation in a peaceful setting. To register or obtain more information, see Peter Holt or Mel Embury in the Hall or at Breakfast at Gabe's.

Care & Prayer



A place to lay your burdens.

Resuming **this Sunday, September 13**, the Quiet Centre (down the hallway, past the office) will 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.

Colleen Bannister 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.

GARDENING HELP NEEDED. One of our busiest gardeners has had open heart surgery. He and his wife looked after up to 4 flower beds at OUC. Could you lend a



🎄 OUC Christmas Bazaar Silent Auction – Volunteers Needed!

OUC's Christmas Bazaar is rapidly approaching, and we are looking for a few enthusiastic volunteers to help with the silent auction.

We are in search of volunteers who can:

- **Reach out to local businesses** to ask for donated items or gift cards for the auction; and/or
- **Share their time or talents** by offering a service, skill, or experience that could be included in the auction.

Whether you can make a few calls, visit a local business, or have a special talent you would like to contribute, **we would love to hear from you!**

If you are interested in helping, please talk to Stephen Ellsworth at church or email him at ellswos123@gmail.com.

Bazaar Requests

Do You Have Extra Fruit to Share?



The OUC Bazaar Baking Group is looking for apples, pears, and other fruit to use in our homemade pies and baked goods for the upcoming bazaar.

If you have fruit from your trees that you'd like to donate, please bring it to the church and leave it in the office, or contact

Pheona.Arnott@gmail.com to arrange a convenient time to drop it off.

Thank you for helping make our bazaar a success!

P.S. Thank you for all the rhubarb, we have enough to make lots of pies, muffins and other treats.



hand by adopting a garden this season? Mentoring or advice is available. Contact Shirley Holt at 613-841-5143 or text at 613-620-6185.

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) Any questions regarding this long standing fundraiser (that costs you nothing extra) can be sent to: dianne.davis@bell.net.

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>

Be in Touch!

We would love for you to reach out to us.... we are here for you!

Website: <http://orleansunitedchurch.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 Debbie de Grasse any time after October 24th!

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!

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



The Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality begins a new semester on September 21. Most classes are on Zoom, and are open to all. Financial

assistance is available for those in need. For classes and other details, please visit the OSTs website: <https://www.osts.ca/>



September Sound Bath Plus!

Have a Gong/Sound Bath, spend some time on site, hiking or by the water, relax and refresh yourself! Choose a half day session – either September 12 or 13, morning or afternoon.

Please join us for a time of reflection and sound, as you further your own journey towards greater health and well-being... all while supporting the work of Camp Kalalla with this fundraiser.

For more info (on exact times, programme, etc.) or to register, please visit

<http://kalalla.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/September-Sound-Bath-Plus.pdf>.



Help Wanted

South Gloucester United is looking for someone willing to act as bookkeeper for the congregation. If you or someone you know might be interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact communications.sguc@gmail.com.



Congregational Corner

YOUR OUC Newsletter

We hope this Thursday newsletter keeps you informed of all the happenings in our



Divining Spirits is a dramatic staged reading set in the after life about a fictional encounter between Canadian contemporary historical

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

figures Duncan Campbell Scott and Dr. Peter Henderson Bryce, both of whom are laid to rest at the Beechwood Cemetery in Ottawa; one the architect of policy (residential schools), the other a whistleblower. September 17th at 7pm at The Gladstone, 910 Gladstone Avenue, Ottawa. Tickets available at: <https://www.9th-hour.ca/divining-spirits>

This Week at OUC

Friday September 11:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 - 12:30
- Bazaar Prep - Library, 10 am - 4 pm
- Orleans Noon - Chapel, Noon - 1 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary, 7 - 10:30 pm

Saturday September 12:

- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Chapel/Choir Room/Quiet Centre, 8:30 - 1
- Tai Chi Workshop - Hall/Kitchen, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm
- OSTs Gathering & Reception - Sanctuary/Lounge, 3 - 5:30 pm

Sunday September 13:

- Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- Bazaar Baking - Kitchen, 12:30 - 8 pm

Monday September 14:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- TOPS - Nursery/Lounge, 6 - 8 pm
- Scouting - Hall/Chapel/Library/Choir Room, 6:15 - 9 pm
- TOPS - Lounge/Nursery, 6 - 8 pm

Tuesday September 15:

- Craft Group - Library, 9 am - noon
- Scouting - Hall/Choir Room/Library, 6:15 - 9 pm
- Coro Vivo - Sanctuary, 7 - 10 pm
- CA East Solutions - Chapel, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday September 16:

- Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am
- Joyful Yarn - Lounge, 7 - 9 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm
- Tai Chi - Hall, 7 - 8:30 pm
- Contemplative Prayer - Sanctuary, 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Thursday September 17:

- TOPS - Library, 8:30 - 9:30 am
- Quilter's Workshop - Hall, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
- Java Jive - Chapel, 10 - 11 am
- Vintage Stock Theatre - Hall, 6 - 8 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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