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



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

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Resource Centre

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Orléans-Cumberland

 Eastern
Ottawa
Resource
Centre



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.

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

REPAIR CAFE

7th CGOWCA's Environment Committee is...

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER FIXERS AND MENDERS!

DO YOU KNOW HOW TO REPAIR

BIKES
INSTRUMENTS
SMALL APPLIANCES
JEWELLERY
WOODEN OBJECTS
TOYS OR CLOTHING?

email us: environmentcommittee@cgow.ca

Being held at: Orleans United Church - 1111 Orleans Blvd. | Sept 27th 2 - 5pm

This Saturday, September 19 we will hold our annual Repair Café, hosted by the Convent Glen Orleans Wood Community Association. Folks will be on hand to repair bikes, small appliances, jewellery, and clothes. There will also be someone there who can sharpen knives and scissors. There is no charge - all repairs are performed by skilled volunteers. Let's keep still useful stuff out of the landfill!

ORLÉANS UNITED CHURCH

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Silent Auction

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help us create an amazing Silent Auction for this year's Christmas Bazaar!



CANVASS BUSINESSES

Approach businesses to ask for donations such as gift cards or other items to support our Silent Auction.



SHARE YOUR SKILLS OR TALENTS

Do you have a skill, hobby or talent you'd be willing to share with others? Consider donating an experience, item or service as a silent auction item.



DONATE TICKETS

Do you have tickets to sporting events, music or the arts, attractions or other experiences you can donate?

Together we make a difference.

INTERESTED?
Please contact Stephen Ellsworth at ellswos123@gmail.com.

Mission and Service

FOOD4FUN



[Image credit: Westminster United Church]

Finding welcoming PA Day activities can be challenging, especially for families of children on the autism spectrum. Westminster United Church responded with **FOOD4FUN**, gardening and cooking camps for children ages four to twelve.

With volunteers providing additional support as needed, campers planted, harvested, prepared food, and shared meals—building skills, confidence, and friendships.

"When are we going outside? I need to visit my special tree," asked one returning camper.

Give to support Mission and Service today so children can continue to learn, connect, and grow. It's easy through Orleans United!

- Simplest: Use the Mission and Service envelope in your pew
 - Use your regular church envelopes, using the Mission and Service line
 - Use your regular method of donation to OUC: e-transfer to oucdonations@rogers.com; PAR; Canada Helps; etc.
- Be sure to state "Mission and Service" on the message line.

Questions? Contact Paul Sales, OUC's Mission and Service Enthusiast, at paul.sales93@gmail.com
[Read the Mission and Service story](#)

Service Scripture

Sunday September 20: Matthew 20:1-16
'The Labourers in the Vineyard'

LLWL Activity This Week

Marni Hunt-Stephens, here at OUC
David Clemis, North Gower United Church
Jasmine Vesque, Quyon Pastoral Charge

Book Club

The OUC Book Club will have its first meeting of the new year on September 29 in the library, at 1 pm. We will discuss *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir. All are welcome. For information about the OUC Book Club, please communicate with Marie Ruddick at ruddick.marie@icloud.com, or with Annemarie Humenuk at kayakforever@gmail.com



Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality (OSTS)

The OSTS, familiar to many at Orleans United, resumes Monday September 21

with another wonderful lineup of course offerings. Courses run Mondays 7:30-9:30 pm.

Two in-person courses (one for each of the 5-week sessions) are offered in the Fall at All Saints Anglican, 347 Richmond Rd in Westboro. All other Fall and Winter courses will be offered online through zoom.

Check www.osts.ca for course descriptions and registration details. For more info contact Ann Babin (613-830-8826) or look for the brochure on the bulletin board in the Hall.

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. 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



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

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.

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

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.



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 cscottrichardson@rogers.com, or find me after church. Thanks! Scott

Bazaar Requests

Looking for metal (wire) coat hangers.

One of our crafty folks is looking for about 20 wire coat hangers. If you have some to spare, please drop them off in the main office marked "bazaar".



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.



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.

Donna Kemp 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) 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

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!

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?

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>

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 National Arts Centre is pleased to offer **free tickets to a special NAC Orchestra concert in Orléans on October 1!**

We invite you to share this invitation with members of your community. Experience the NAC Orchestra live and close to home.

From great masterpieces by Mozart and Haydn to Leonard Cohen's *Hallelujah* and *Golden* from Netflix's *KPop Demon Hunters*, these 75 minute concerts bring together familiar music, new discoveries, and the sound of a full orchestra.

October 1 at 7 PM

Shenkman Arts Centre - 245 Centrum Boulevard, Orléans

[Event info](#) / [Free tickets](#)

Up to 4 complimentary tickets per order.

This offer is available until September 20.

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!!

We hope to see you there!



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

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 18:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 - 12:30
- Orleans Noon - Chapel, Noon - 1 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists Youth Event - Chapel, 6 - 9 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary, 7 - 10:30 pm

Saturday September 19:

- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Chapel/Choir Room/Quiet Centre, 8:30 - 1
- **Repair Café - Hall/Kitchen, 1 - 5 pm ***
- Pleinchant Sectional Rehearsal - Chapel, 2:30 - 5:30 pm

Sunday September 20:

- Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- Bazaar Baking - Kitchen, 12:30 - 8 pm
- Pleinchant Sectional Rehearsal - Choir Room, 2 - 5 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists meeting - Library, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- Scouter Craft Training - Hall, 7:30 - 9 pm

Monday September 21:

- Relocation of speakers - Sanctuary, 8 am - 5 pm
- 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/Chapel/Library/Choir Room, 6:15 - 9 pm
- Bytown Beat - Sanctuary, 6:30 - 9 pm

Tuesday September 22:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 3 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 September 23:

- Breakfast at Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am
- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 9 am - Noon

- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm
- Tai Chi - Hall, 7 - 8:30 pm

Thursday September 24:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 5 pm
- TOPS - Library, 8:30 - 9:30 am
- 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

***for more information, see notice above**

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