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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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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 September 27: Exodus 17:1-7
"Water from the Rock"

LLWL Activity This Week

David Clemis, Castleford and Glasgow
United Church

*One of our pillar candles will be at the
men's retreat this weekend*

This Sunday!



as they worship together at
Camp Merrywood

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. 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

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 tourtieres as early as this Sunday. 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



Tickets are still available, in the hall Sunday morning, 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.

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

need them for Thanksgiving celebrations, come and see us in the kitchen! We look forward to another nourishing year.

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



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](#)

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.



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

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. Denise Connors 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

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!

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](#)

Congregational Corner

YOUR OUC Newsletter

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 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 hope this Thursday newsletter keeps you informed of all the happenings in our community. Are there 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!!

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)

This Week at OUC

Friday September 25:

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

Saturday September 26:

- Seventh-day Adventists - Sanctuary/Chapel/Choir Room/Quiet Centre, 8:30 - 1
- Quilts of Valour Sew Day - Hall, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
- Bazaar cooking - Kitchen, Noon - 9 pm

Sunday September 27:

- Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- **Stampede to Murder - Hall/Kitchen, 3 pm ***

Monday September 28:

- Tai Chi - Hall, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Bazaar cooking - Kitchen, Noon - 6 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 29:

- Bazaar Cooking - Kitchen, 7 am - 5 pm
- Craft Group - Hall/Library, 9 am - noon
- Book Club - Library, 1 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
- Venturers - Kitchen, 7 - 9 pm

Wednesday September 30:

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

Thursday October 1:

- 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

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

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