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Office hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 - 12:30

THE \$20,000 MATCHING CAMPAIGN COUDRIAU FUND

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Food insecurity is rising across Eastern Ottawa. Right now, families in Orleans, Cumberland, Beacon Hill, Blackburn Hamlet, and Navan are struggling. Food banks and resource centres are seeing record demand—and they need our help.

You Give. We Match. Together, We Make Double the Difference!

Orleans United Church, in partnership with the Coudriau Fund and the Heart of Orleans BIA, is proud to lead this matching campaign. Every dollar donated will be matched up to \$20,000 to support vital local services.



How to Donate:

Scan the QR code to donate through CanadaHelps. All gifts matched and eligible for tax receipts. Campaign runs from August 1 – September 30, 2025



**CELEBRATION ON THANKSGIVING SUNDAY —
OCTOBER 12, 2025, AT ORLEANS UNITED CHURCH**



To donate: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/132879?qrcode=1>

Sad News of our Church Family
It is with great sadness that we announce

The OUC Book Club will meet on

the death of Jan Weatherston last Friday. Visitation will be at the Heritage Funeral Home on Trim Road from 11 am - 1 pm on Monday September 29, with funeral at 1 pm. The service will be live-streamed, and the link is [here](#). Please keep Dean and all of Jan's family in your prayers.



Tuesday, September 30, at 1:00 pm, in the library, to discuss 'The Maid' by Nita Prose. All are welcome. Enquiries

about the Book Club may be addressed to Annemarie Humenuk at kayakforever@gmail.com, or to Marie Ruddick at mdruddick@gmail.com.



Urgent Need for Sunday School Teachers!

Our children's ministry is growing, and that's a wonderful thing — but we are currently in desperate need of two more Sunday School teachers. Without additional volunteers, we will be forced to combine or cancel some of our classes, which we truly want to avoid. Our kids are amazing, curious, and full of joy — and they deserve a space to grow in faith that is just right for them.

The good news?

- We use fun, easy-to-follow curriculum — no experience needed!
- Teaching is just once every other week
- Rev. Molly is here to support and guide you every step of the way

Please prayerfully consider stepping into this important and rewarding ministry. If you're feeling even a small nudge, reach out to Rev. Molly — we'd love to talk more!



Canadians Care Partnership Ministries

is recruiting volunteers to travel to the Dominican Republic from February 11-18th 2026 to assist in building a home for a needy family. Co-founded by Reverends Robert and Hilary Merritt, this is the 10th year that this not-for-profit charity has provided a Partnership Ministry to build homes and provide support for medical and educational facilities.



Learn more about our "Vacation With A Purpose" on our website at

www.CanadiansCare.org

If interested in being part of our team please contact the Merritts at

wer2revs@gmail.com.

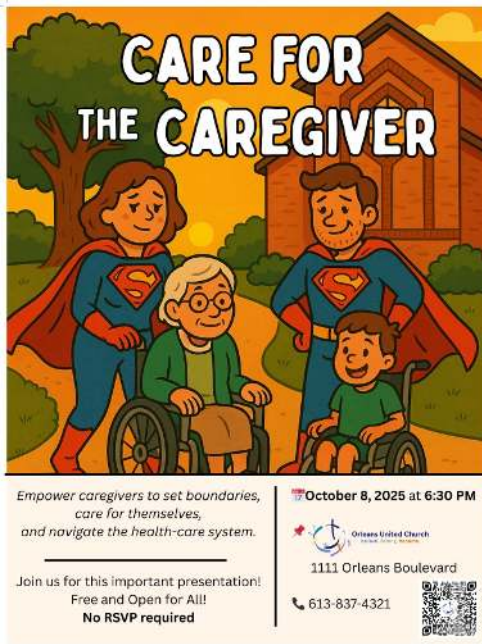


OUC Coffee Time

We would like to recognize the persons who help us for Coffee Time almost every

week: Debbie Arcard (bussing and dish washing); Rob Palo (table setting, muffins and dry moping the floors after coffee time), Emily del Castillo (bussing the tables), George Teather (setting the tables), Heather Young (counting coffee time donations), Paul and France (setting up the coffee serving essentials, preparing the treats, making the coffee and tea). It so happens that next Sundays, 28 September, the team will be occupied elsewhere and we will need extra help to make Coffee Time a success. Debbie will be on her own to set-up the essentials and the clean-up. We will need volunteers to help out with bussing the tables, dish washing and clean-up. It great if you can lend a hand, just pop in the kitchen and volunteer.

OUC Christmas Market



Featuring OUC's own:
 Glen Stoudt – A Spiritual Opening for Care for the Caregiver
 Speakers
 Heather McGrath – Establishing Boundaries
 Andrea Fisher – Maneuvering the Health Care System
 Suzanne Allen – Wellbeing for the Caregiver
 The Community Paramedicine Team and the Orleans Resource Center to attend and have a table available with information.

Orange Shirt Day, September 30

Join Us on Parliament Hill
 This special program seeks to honour Survivors, pay tribute to the children who never made it home from residential schools, and deliver a safe and nurturing environment for reconciliation and healing.
 This year's gathering will encompass powerful reflections from esteemed Elders and Survivors as well as moving performances by First Nations, Inuit and Métis artists.
 The gathering will be broadcast live on all APTN channels and partnering Canadian broadcasters to reach as many viewers as possible. Tune in and join us on our collective journey towards reconciliation.



How to Participate:

Attend In Person

September 30, 2025 – 3 pm EDT
 Join us on Parliament Hill, in Ottawa (West Block lawn), as we memorialize the children

November 15th

If you are organized and like working with people, we need you to help with the bazaar coordination. We need to hand off some tasks as we renew the team going forward. Consider taking some time this year to see what is involved by shadowing someone. No one task takes too much time, and it is very rewarding to work with the amazing OUC family. If you are interested or have question, please email Pat Young

(patriciafayeyoung@hotmail.com) to learn more or arrange a time to shadow one of our coordinators.

Bling – Have you dropped it off in the office?

Silent Auction – Have you volunteered to canvas?



Save the date!

Saturday October 4 at 7 pm. Tickets \$20 by cash, debit or e-transfer to oucdonations@rogers.com. See poster in the Hall or talk to Joe Tomlinson for more information.

lost to the residential school system and honour Survivors and their families.

Watch or Listen to the Broadcast

September 30, 2025 – 3 pm EDT

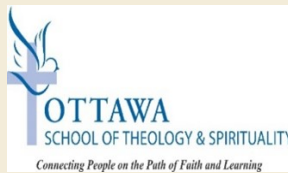
(Live Broadcast)

The live National broadcast will begin at 3 pm EDT on APTN and other supporting broadcasters. A YouTube link will be provided the day of the event.



OUC Property Committee is working on creating a list of OUC volunteers who are willing to be called upon for helping the set-up or down of tables and chairs, such as, for Sunday Coffee Time. Normally, 2 to 3 volunteers are needed and the task would take approx. 1/2 hour, which means they start the work at 9:30AM of placing the tables and chairs before the Service. Another example is the removal of tables and chairs for the Blood Donor Clinic, which is a good revenue rental partner. The more volunteers on this list will mean not always the same persons are doing the work.

If you wish to register for this volunteer listing, please send an email to lemaylegaf@yahoo.com.



The OSTs, familiar to many at Orleans United, resumes Monday September 22 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) will be 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 Peter Holt, or look for the brochure on the bulletin board in the Hall.

Volunteer Opportunity: Rental Coordinator

We are looking for a new volunteer who would be interested in taking on the role of Rental Coordinator. Unfortunately, Kimberly Corley has stepped down from that role.

The OUC Rental Coordinator is responsible

OUC Repair Café

On September 27th, the Convent Glen Orleans Wood Environment Committee will be hosting their second Repair Cafe from 2 to 5 pm. The Environment Committee is a sub-committee of the Convent Glen Orleans Wood Community Association. They are a small group of volunteers who have been undertaking a number of projects that are geared towards improving the health, beauty and sustainability of our community. For example, they have been growing native plants and creating pollinator gardens, holding clean-up days and bird walks, and hosting information nights on topics such as energy efficiency and Monarch Butterflies. The committee has a special focus on reducing and reusing household waste and recently had a clothing swap at Terry Fox Elementary School.

Repair Cafes are free, community-led events where volunteer fixers and menders assist other members of the community with repairing household items such as small appliances, textiles, electronics, furniture, toys, etc. Repair Cafes are open to everyone and are a wonderful place to share skills and knowledge, keep broken items out of landfills and build community. There are thousands of these Repair Cafes all over the world. In addition to the repairs, visitors will be able to have complementary tea, coffee and snacks.

The committee is in need of repairers and menders for the Repair Cafe. They are hoping to find community members who are able to fix bikes, clothing and textiles, and small appliances or other household items. A bonus would be someone who can fix computers, instruments, wooden objects, toys or jewellery. This year, they are also interested in including a knife sharpener.

If you are interested in volunteering as a repairer, please an email to: CGOWCARepairCafe@gmail.com

for overseeing the use of church space for events such as concerts, weddings, funerals, meetings, community gatherings, fitness classes and other activities.

This volunteer role is part of the Property Committee's mandate.

To learn more, please contact [Heather Graham](#)

Good News!

The **Interchurch Refugee Group** (IRG) will be welcoming a new family of three this fall, the parents and their 12-year-old daughter. We are looking for household and furniture donations to prepare a home for the family. If you feel you have something the family could use, please contact us, Lynne and Rick, at rick.lynn@outlook.com.



Care for the Caregiver

Check out supports in the community:
<https://www.communityhomesupport.ca>



Voices of the Bereaved

"It's been 4 years since my soulmate died. Even 4 years later it is such a hard day. A friend called to say she was thinking of me today. Thank you, thank you God, that someone, like you, remembers my sorrow"

IT'S PICKLING SEASON! If you are making jams, jellies or preserves this summer, please consider setting aside a few extra jars for OUC's Christmas Bazaar. These items always sell out fast! And if you can't make jam yourself...



MASON JARS (250ml size) are needed to make jam over the next few months for the Christmas Bazaar. If you have any jars to donate, please leave them in the office.

Wheelchair available

Save the date for a Vintage Stock Production of:

MURDER AT THE MARINA

📅 October 26th

🕒 3:00 PM

📍 Orleans United Church

Tickets: \$20

Available at the door

or oucdonations@rogers.com

(Please specify the money is for Murder Mystery tickets)



Step into 1924 and help solve the mystery at The Cumberland Marina!

All proceeds go to Orleans United Church

Come for the mystery. Stay for the cause.

Tickets \$20, on sale now in the Hall after service, or in the church Office during regular office hours. (cash, debit, credit or e-transfer).

Keep your 2025 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. Any questions regarding this long standing fundraiser (that costs you nothing extra) can be sent to:

dianne.davis@bell.net.

Farm Boy \$100 Cards - The gift card table now has \$100 Farm Boy cards. And by the way, we earn an extra \$1 per card for every used Farm Boy card that you return to us. So for every \$100 you spend at Farm Boy, OUC earns \$7. See us after church at the gift card table.

Fund raising? Fun raising?

We're always looking for new ideas! Please

The church has a wheelchair available for use of anyone who might find it helpful on a Sunday morning. Please let us know if you would like to make use of it and we will have it ready and waiting for you!



share yours for fun(d)raising at OUC, with Joe Tomlinson at 613-720-2058.

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>**
- **Using either a debit or credit card through the Plently App: <https://uc-orleans.plently.com/>**



Prayer Circle:

OUC has rebirthed our prayer ministry. You can request that the members of the prayer team pray for you, for

your loved one, or for a particular local or global concern. All prayer requests are shared with the prayer team confidentially, unless you request that your name be used. You are invited to send your prayer request directly to

ouc.prayersforall@rogers.com, an email monitored by only one pastoral care team member. For more information, please contact the office.

Community Corner

South Gloucester United is currently holding a clothing recycle drive. If you are cleaning your closets in preparation for the season to come, bring your unwanted items to Kim in the OUC office and she will pass them on. Garments in any condition, towels, sheets, blankets, hats, shoes, boots, drapes are all accepted. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board in the Hall.



Vars United Church

will be holding a service celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the United Church on

Sunday September 28 at 10 am. The service will be the Cumberland Heritage Village Museum. For more information, see the poster in the Hall.

Be in Touch!

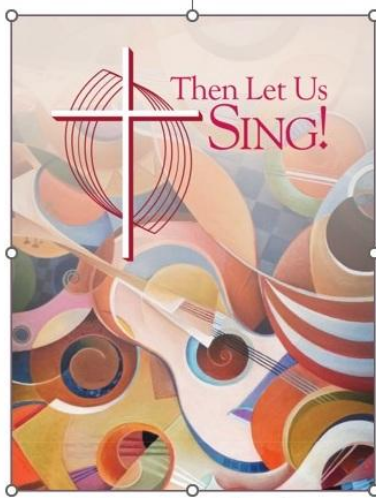
We would love for you to reach out to us....
we are here for you!

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)



Grateful for God's loving action,
we cannot keep from singing.
(A Song of Faith)

The United Church of Canada
invites you to its

Then Let Us SING! Hymn Festival

The official launch of our new music resource!



Friday, October 24, 2025

7:30 pm



Orleans United Church

1111 Orleans Blvd., Orléans, ON K1C 7C8

Come — Celebrate — Sing — Learn
with the team that created Then Let Us SING!

In person or livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/live/4z5NPrRRmpA>

This Week at OUC

Friday September 26:

- Bazaar Food Prep - Hall/Kitchen/Lounge, all week
- Orleans Noon - Chapel, Noon - 1 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists Music Department - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm

Saturday September 27:

- Seventh-day Adventists Service - Sanctuary/Choir Room/Room 12, 8:30 am - 2 pm
- Repair Café - Hall, 2 - 5 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists Music Department - Sanctuary 4 - 8 pm; Hall/Kitchen, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Sunday September 28:

- Worship Service - in person and live-streamed, 10 am
- Spirit Sisters - Quiet Centre, 11 am - noon
- PleinChant - Choir Room, 2 - 5 pm

Monday September 29:

- Scouting - Hall/Chapel/Choir Room/ Library, 6:15 - 9:15 pm
- Bytown Beat - Sanctuary, 7 pm
- TOPS - Lounge/Nursery, 6 - 8 pm

Tuesday September 30:

- Craft Group - Library, 9 am - noon
- Book Club - Library, 1 pm
- TOPS - Lounge/Nursery, 6 - 8 pm
- Scouting - Hall/Choir Room/Library, 6 - 9 pm
- CA East Solutions - Choir Room, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Coro Vivo - Sanctuary, 7 - 10 pm

Wednesday October 1:

- Breakfast @ Gabe's - Gabriel's Restaurant, St. Joseph Blvd., 7:30 am
- A'Chord - Chapel, 9:30 - 11:30
- Quilter's Workshop - Hall, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
- Seminar on Walking & Hiking for Health & Happiness: sequel - Library, 6:30 pm
- Seventh-day Adventists - Chapel, 7 - 9 pm
- Contemplative Prayer - Quiet Centre, 7:30 pm

Thursday October 2:

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

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