



Glebe-St. James United Church
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March 4, 2026

Prayer Circle for February: [Marilyn Hamilton](#)

You are welcome to contact the monthly Prayer Circle coordinator if you have any prayer requests. Prayer requests are confidential and are shared only with the Prayer Circle.

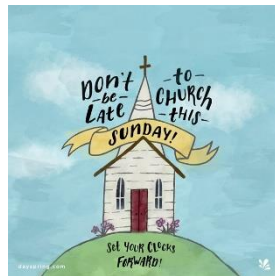
March 8th

10:30 am Third Sunday in Lent
Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole

Glebe-St. James Critical Roof Repair Fundraising for the roof

Our deepest thanks to all those who have donated, pledged and supported our roof project. Within a matter of weeks, we have been able to pull together slightly more than the \$150,000 needed to obtain matching funds from EOORC and the national church. We are amazed and deeply touched by the generosity of this congregation. We will keep you informed about how we propose to pay back the loan once we have the details.

The Board of Trustees are ready to sign the contract with our roofing company so that they can rent the boom lift and order the equipment. We expect the work to be completed during July and August.



Clocks spring forward
Sunday, March 8th
2 pm is 3 pm



Surely, This Must Be It

Poem by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org
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Everyone has a job. I wash the potatoes, filling the sink with slivers of potato peel. You brine the turkey, hovering by the oven all afternoon. Someone sets the table, taking care to fill a vase with asters and marigolds, sprigs of holly and shoots of evergreen. We play music while we prepare. "*What The World Needs Now is Love*"¹ comes on. We can't get it out of our heads. We whistle along to Dionne all afternoon. And eventually, the doorbell rings.

You've invited the neighbours, the grad student who sits on the second row at church, the widower in the choir. We add seats to the table. We go around the room and share one thing we're grateful for. Eyes well as we create a laundry list of beauty. The kids get squirmy, but we're grateful for that too.

And then we eat! We scoop whipped potatoes and crisp green beans with fresh garlic. We pass the bread basket, leaving crumbs all over the table. They are tiny reminders of communion in our midst. And at the end of the night, when we walk our guests to the car and carry sleeping children to their car seats, our neighbours say, *What a holy moment it all was*. Surely this must be what heaven feels like. Surely we *can* create it together.

Welcome to Lent

The Lenten poems are taken from A Lenten Devotional: Tell me something good. If you would like a copy of the devotional, please let Jennifer (admin@glebestjames.ca) know.

March 29th: Palm Sunday

April 2nd: Maundy Thursday (service at 7 pm)

April 3rd: Good Friday (service at 10:30 am)

April 4th: Easter Sunday

Lenten Book Study

The Lenten book study will begin on Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:30 pm on Zoom. Bless Break Share: Recipes for Faithful Living is a United Church publication that offers a daily reading for each day of Lent. The Study Guide in the back of the book offers different conversation questions to share as a group. We do have a few copies on hand - \$ 20.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83910341363?pwd=Xdeuq5JjbFnguJHpJFnmVDuxHcR9jr.1>

Southminster will be using the same publication and will meet in-person on Tuesdays, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm. Their focus will reflect on food and hunger as a spiritual practice.

Rideau Park is hosting a four-week Lenten program that started last week, called *Energy Healing 101: A Free Lenten Journey*. It's open to the public, but registrations are mandatory. Here's the [website link for this event](#). People can go to all of the workshops, or one or two of them.

Emmanuel: *Reflections on a Wilderness Time*

February 25 to March 25.

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 -7:30 pm

The Zoom link for the services can be found on the Emmanuel website

www.emmanuelunited.ca

Photo Directory:

The last edits of the Photo Directory are being currently reviewed for submission to Universal. We hope to have them completed by the end of the week. Thanks to Barb Coyle and Jennifer. We'll let you know when we have a date for completion and distribution.

Regular activities at Glebe-St. James...

If you don't know the contact person, please e-mail Jennifer (admin@glebestjames.ca) and she will put you in touch. The Church office is open Monday - Thursday, 8:30 – 4:00 pm.

Monday Craft Group

The Monday Craft Group meets on Monday afternoon, 1 to 4 pm, at Judy Wolanski's. Contact: Judy Wolanski or Jennifer in the office.

Monday Meditation

Everyone is welcome to join us Monday evenings at 7:30 pm
Click on Monday Meditation above and join in.

The Check-Mates: Tuesday mornings

“Our chess group, the Check Mates are looking for new members. We welcome novices as well as experienced players. We meet every Tuesday, 10 – Noon, in the sanctuary. Just show up and enjoy the camaraderie!”

Contact phone number is 613-864-3435

Nattering Knitters

Feeling lonely, isolated, tired of winter....

Come out for some lively conversation, tea and snacks – and oh yes, some of us knit – on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30. Join us!

Our planned trip to Mississippi Valley Textile Museum to see a Palestinian tapestry had to be postponed until Thursday, March 26th. We will meet for lunch in Almonte and then visit the Museum. If you are interested in joining us, please speak to Susan Palmai.
<https://mvtm.ca/mvtm-event/a-stitch-in-time-the-palestine-history-tapestry/>

Queer Space – every other Tuesday

Join us for Queer Space - 6 pm on March 10th in the Lounge. Please feel free to drop by for a visit.

Women's Intergenerational Group (WIG)

WIG meets on the third Sunday of each month following morning worship. We finish around 1:30 pm.

Linda Posthuma will lead our March 15th meeting, which will be an introduction to a contemplative art prayer practice. Do ask Linda if you have questions. Judy Wolanski will open the labyrinth right after our potluck lunch in case some people prefer to take their “life questions or heart questions” into the labyrinth. They can walk instead of making cards/ or after making the cards.

Labyrinth: Third Sunday of each month, 3 - 5 pm.
Come find your quiet centre. Contact: Judy Wolanski

Men & Friends: Usually the last Wednesday of the month.
Our March gathering is scheduled for Wednesday, March 25th.
Come at 5:30 for a 6 pm start.

Kwe Kwe

(pronounced "kway", meaning greetings in the Algonquin language)



Have you been enjoying the **March Full Moon (known also as the Worm Moon)**? In Ojibwe culture it marks the moment the earth begins to wake up from its winter slumber; as the ground thaws worms appear. Some people consider it to be the start of the Anishinaabe new year, a time to reflect on personal goals and growth.

Volunteers needed...

Are you looking for ways to contribute?
Do you have a free hour each week?

Ottawa Public Foods could use you!

We have a grocery delivery opening. Each week the Sunday morning contribution of non-perishables needs to be dropped off to OPF or CCFC. If you are interested in more details, speak to Susan Palmai or Karen Walker at coffee hour.

We are always looking for volunteers to help out on **Sunday**.

- Doing the welcome and announcements
- Land Acknowledgement
- Scripture reader
- Usher
- Coffee Time:
 - Make coffee
 - Set up & clean up
 - Hosts
- Children's Church helpers

Have another idea on how you can help? Let us know.

United Church of Canada...



United Church of Canada e-Newsletters

<https://united-church.ca/e-newsletters>

Connect to E-essentials, Embracing the Spirit, God's Mission, Our Gifts, Intercultural Ministries News, Living into Right Relations, United Action for Justice ...

EOORC News has returned to a weekly distribution.

Click on the link above to read the Newsletter.

<https://eoorc.ca/news/>

Check out other Christian organizations and their opportunities

Churchx

<https://www.churchx.ca>

Healing Pathways

<https://healingpathway.ca/>

Ottawa School of Theology & Spirituality

<https://www.osts.ca/>

United Church of Canada Foundation

<https://unitedchurchfoundation.ca/>

[View online](#)

[Registration / Inscription](#)



2026 EOORC Online Educational Event

Shaping the Future –

Bâtir l'avenir

Saturday, March 7, 2026

8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

EOORC's Winter Educational Event is **this Saturday, March 7th**. We invite you to join us on Zoom as we learn together. Please feel free to share this invitation with others in your church community. **All are welcome!**

There is no deadline for [registration](#), but we encourage you to [register](#) as soon as is practical so that we can send you the Zoom link.

Join us to learn and dream together!

Collaborative/Cooperative Ministry Models

Dynamic Worship

Simplification of Governance

Kitchen Conversations with the Moderator

We hope you've been enjoying Kitchen Conversations with the Moderator, our new Lenten video series exploring food, faith, and the power of invitation, hosted by the Right Rev. Dr. Kimberly Heath.

Our guests have been cooking up a storm while offering spirit-filled reflections on how breaking bread together connects us to something deeper than ourselves. We've been grateful to hear from many of you who've tuned in, and encourage you to keep sharing it with your congregation and networks!

If you haven't had a chance to catch up yet, you can enjoy the first three episodes now on YouTube.

Community...

HIGHJINX

Highjinx, at 290 Kent St, has been part of Ottawa's social fabric for more than a decade. The organization provides daily connection, food, and practical support to unhoused and precariously housed neighbours- services that reduce isolation, strengthen community safety, and help people stabilize during difficult periods.

After more than 10 years at this location, Highjinx has been informed that the City of Ottawa has issued a Notice of Violation to the landlord related to occupancy and use. This issue began over a year ago, and Highjinx feel it's important to share that we are now navigating a period of real uncertainty. For more information on Highjinx see their website highjinxottawa.com or Facebook page [highjinx](#).

If you would like to support Highjinx by writing to your local City Councillor attached is a template letter to assist your letter writing plus more details from Highjinx.

**Tripoly
& the Grenville Troubadours**
present

The Great Irish Sing-Along

A CONCERT OF IRISH FAVOURITES THAT YOU CAN JOIN IN WITH!

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH AT 2PM



**MANOTICK UNITED CHURCH,
MANOTICK**

TICKETS: \$20 DOORS OPEN 1:30PM

AVAILABLE AT:
MANOTICK OFFICE PRO
OR THE CHURCH OFFICE CALL: 613-692-4576
E-MAIL: ADMIN@MANOTICKUNITEDCHURCH.COM

A CAFES Ottawa Event: Climate & Your Cash

... speaker series designed to help Ottawa residents make informed, values-aligned financial decision.

Register and find more details about the event here: [Climate & Your Cash](#)

École secondaire publique Gisèle-Lalonde
500 Millennium Boulevard, Ottawa

31 Saturday, March 7 at 10am - 12:30pm

Joy of Sharing Concert

With music from Big Soul Project Community Choir

Saturday, March 21st, 7:30 pm

At Centretown United Church, 507 Bank St

Adults: \$ 25 Under 12: free

info@foodsharingottawa.com

Songs of Love ... and Loss

A benefit concert for the Ottawa Humane Society

Sunday, March 22nd, 3 pm,

at St. Bartholomew's Anglican, 125 MacKay St

Admission: Freewill Offering

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... and Loss**

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Patricia Beckett, Soprano



Frédéric Lacroix, Piano

Sunday March 22nd, 2026 3pm
St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church 125 MacKay Street, Ottawa
Freewill Offering/Pay-What-You-Can

**In support of MultiFaith Housing
Atlantic Voices Choir and
Ottawa Acoustic Duo *100 Floors Above***

Sunday, March 29th, 3 pm at
Woodroffe United Church

Admission: Free-will offering donations will support
MultiFaith Housing's newest build Odenak on Lebreton Flats.

Tax receipts for amounts over \$ 25.
(cash, debit, visa, mastercard accepted)

You're invited to our annual

**Transgender Day of Visibility
Flag Raising Ceremony**

**TUESDAY
MAY 31, 2026
4:30pm-6pm**



Flag Raising 5:30pm

Zen Zone

Youth Hub - Children's Play Space

Snacks & Light Refreshments

**33 Leacock Drive
Kanata**



Our Ministry Team...

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Minister of Music Emeritus: Robert Palmai

Accounts: Lori Stinson, ex 23; accts.glebestjames@gmail.com

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