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### 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.

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| <b>March 29<sup>th</sup></b> | Palm Sunday                  |
| 10:30 am                     | Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole |
| <b>April 2<sup>nd</sup></b>  | Maundy Thursday              |
| 7:00 pm                      | Rev Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole  |
| <b>April 3<sup>rd</sup></b>  | Good Friday                  |
| 10:30 am                     | Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole |
| <b>April 5<sup>th</sup></b>  | Easter Sunday                |
| 10:30 am                     | Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole |

### **Reminder - Roof project - 2026 pledges due April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Just a reminder that if you made a pledge for 2026 for the roof project, your contribution is due April 1st. At this time, there is still a fair amount outstanding. For GSJ to be able to sign a contract with the roofer, it is important that our 2026 pledges be in on time. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to this important project!

**Geoff McGuire**  
**Chair, Finance and Administration**



## For the Sake of Tiny Resurrections

Poem by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | [sanctifiedart.org](http://sanctifiedart.org)  
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We took the kids to the beach,  
a herd of children lathered in sunscreen.  
We spent most of the day building sandcastles,  
swimming in the shallows,  
wiping sand off their eyelashes and noses.  
Things changed  
when a small fish washed up on shore.

The children saw it first—  
a little body gasping to survive.  
They cried out—  
*Quick! We have to save it!*  
We grabbed our buckets.  
We sprinted to the waterline.  
We scooped up the dying fish  
and returned it to the waves.

The kids sagged with relief as the fish jolted to life,  
a tiny resurrection in front of our very eyes.  
Full of pride, I said to them—  
*You did something good.*  
*Today, you saved a life.*  
A seven-year-old with sun-kissed cheeks  
took the bucket from my hands and said,  
*I'd like to save some more.*

He spent the afternoon patrolling the waves,  
hoping to dole out mercy to any shore-washed fish.  
He carried his bucket around all day, because  
love inspires love.  
Love will make you want to  
patrol the shoreline,  
sing *Hosanna*,  
witness a resurrection,  
save some more—  
one bucket of water at a time.

### **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.

Join Zoom Meeting

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

### ***Regular activities at Glebe-St. James...***

If you don't know the contact person, please e-mail Jennifer ([admin@glebestjames.ca](mailto: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!

### **Queer Space – every other Tuesday**

Join us for Queer Space - 6 pm on April 7th 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.

**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 25<sup>th</sup>.

Come at 5:30 for a 6 pm start.



### ***Kwe Kwe***

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

The Odawa Native Friendship Centre belongs to a network of over 100 Associations which make up the Friendship Centre Movement—Canada's most significant national network of self-determined Indigenous owned and operated civil society community hubs. Odawa's mission is to uplift and support Ottawa's indigenous urban-based community through culturally appropriate programs and services that address areas like health/wellness, family support, homeless/legal assistance, and dedicated assistance for teenagers and children.

Glebe-St. James has supported Odawa through our "land use fee" since 2016. More information about Odawa's mission, programs and services. can be found here. <https://odawa.ca/>

### ***Volunteers needed...***

We are always looking for volunteers to help out here at Glebe-St. James and in our community.

## Sunday mornings

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

## Outreach Programs

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.

### **Carlington Community Connection**

We are currently seeing volunteers who are passionate about serving and engaging directly with neighbours at our drop-in. Your presence can make all the difference in someone's day – consider joining us.

WE are also looking for a Treasurer

The treasurer, as a member of the Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the financial management and reporting of the organization's programs and activities.

**See a full description of this important role here:**

<https://mailchi.mp/carlingtonchaplaincy/treasurer-job-description>

**For more information about our programs and volunteer opportunities contact Jeff Johnson:**

[programcoordinator@carlingtonchaplaincy.com](mailto:programcoordinator@carlingtonchaplaincy.com)

## *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>

### **Toward 2035 Survey: Share Your Voice**



**Deep • Bold • Daring  
Toward 2035**

[Read the Toward 2035 news story](#)

The United Church of Canada invites anyone connected to the life of the church to complete a short survey on [Toward 2035](#), the framework introduced in 2025 to guide our shared direction for the next decade. Rooted in our Call and Vision, Toward 2035 invites us to imagine and shape the future together.

Learn more about the [Call and Vision](#).

Your responses will help us understand how Toward 2035 is being received and what supports communities may need.

There are no right or wrong answers—just your insight.

**Take the survey:**

[English Survey](#)

[French Survey](#)

**Survey close date: March 31, 2026**

*Community...*

## **In Support of Carty House!**



[Tickets for "Shoulder the Sky"](#)

### **Seniors Community Luncheon**

Fourth Avenue Baptist Church Choir invites all Seniors to join them for a light luncheon on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday).

Lunch will start at 12:30 pm and is located in the Gym (lower level entrance off 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

If you are interested their service starts at 10:45 am and will be a Musical Cantata 'Who is Jesus?'

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

Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 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)

**Community Paint Night @ Stittsville United**

Paint Nights are back – usually the first Monday of each month



**Stittsville  
United Church**  
**COMMUNITY PAINT  
NIGHT**  
6255 Fernbank Road  
Stittsville

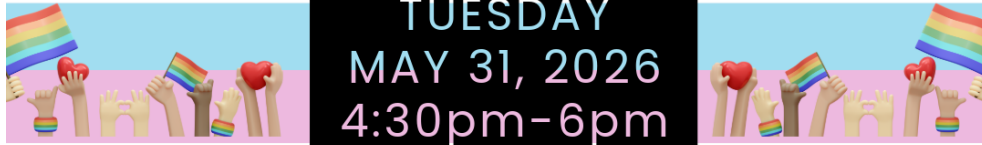
**APRIL 6, 2026**  
Lower Hall  
6-8 pm

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
**613-836-4962 or**  
**office@stittsvilleunitedchurch.com**  
**\$25 per person** (all supplies included)  
Instruction by local artist!  
pop, pizza, salad available by \$10 donation  
**STEPHANIE BROWNESS**



You're invited to our annual

**Transgender Day of Visibility  
Flag Raising Ceremony**



**Flag Raising 5:30pm**

Zen Zone

Youth Hub - Children's Play Space

Snacks & Light Refreshments

**33 Leacock Drive  
Kanata**



***Our Ministry Team...***

Coordinating Minister: Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole, ex 24; [Revtbc.gsj@gmail.com](mailto:Revtbc.gsj@gmail.com)

Children's Church Leader: Kayla Cseh, ex 22; [Childschurch.gsj@gmail.com](mailto:Childschurch.gsj@gmail.com)

Minister of Music: Paul Grose, ex 25; [min.music.gsj@gmail.com](mailto:min.music.gsj@gmail.com)

Minister of Music Emeritus: Robert Palmai

Accounts: Lori Stinson, ex 23; [accts.glebestjames@gmail.com](mailto:accts.glebestjames@gmail.com)

Church Administrator: Jennifer Reid, ex 21; [admin@glebestjames.ca](mailto:admin@glebestjames.ca)

## Glebe-St James: March 29 – April 4<sup>th</sup>

|           |                |                                     |                              |
|-----------|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sunday    |                |                                     |                              |
|           | 10:30 am       | <b>Worship: Palm Sunday</b>         | Sanctuary                    |
|           | 11:30 am       | Fellowship Time                     | Fraser Hall                  |
|           | 3 pm           | Czech Community Easter Celebrations |                              |
| Monday    |                |                                     |                              |
|           | 9 am – Noon    | GMS: cooking with Chef Scott        | GSJ Kitchen                  |
|           | 1 pm           | Monday Crafts                       | Judy Wolanski's              |
|           | 1 – 3 pm       | GMS: Art Class                      | Art Room                     |
|           | 3:30 – 7 pm    | GNAG: after school programming      | Art Room & Lounge            |
|           | 6 – 7:30 pm    | Embers                              |                              |
|           | 8 pm           | Monday Meditation                   | Zoom                         |
| Tuesday   |                |                                     |                              |
|           | 10 am          | Chess                               | Sanctuary                    |
|           | 1:30 pm        | Knitting                            | Lounge                       |
|           | 3:30 – 7 pm    | GNAG: after school programming      | Art Room, Lounge & Sanctuary |
|           | 6:30 – 7:30 pm | Beavers                             | Fraser Hall                  |
| Wednesday |                |                                     |                              |
|           | 3:30 – 5:30 pm | GNAG: after school programming      | Art Room & Lounge            |
|           | 6 pm           | Czech Community                     | Art Room                     |
| Thursday  |                |                                     |                              |
|           | 3:30 – 6:15pm  | GNAG: after school programming      | Art Room & Lounge            |
|           | 7 pm           | Writing Group                       | Art Room                     |
|           | 7 pm           | <b>Maundy Thursday service</b>      | Sanctuary                    |
|           |                | GSJ choir follows the service       | Sanctuary                    |
|           | 7:30 pm        | Venturers                           | Lounge                       |
| Friday    | 10:30 am       | <b>Good Friday Service</b>          | Sanctuary                    |
|           |                | GMS & GNAG not open                 |                              |
| Saturday  |                |                                     |                              |
|           | 9 am – 1 pm    | Exercise with Cate (2 sessions)     | Fraser Hall                  |

If you are interested in any of the above events, please contact Jennifer ([admin@glebestjames.ca](mailto:admin@glebestjames.ca)) and she will provide you with contact info.