



Glebe-St. James United Church
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Prayer Circle for February: [Ruth Burnett-Cole](#)

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.

Hilda Sabadash

Dear Church Family,

Yesterday afternoon our sister Hilda left us all with the benefit of – as she said – "the timely blessing of MAID" (Medical Assistance in Dying).

Hilda lived a life of service to others even as she lived with a debilitating and painful disease for 53 years. Her commitment to others and sense of humour buoyed her spirits to the end.

We will be having a "Remembrance Gathering" for Hilda this Saturday April 11 at 11:00am at Glebe-St. James United Church. Glebe-St. James was Hilda's spiritual home for 35 years. She was an active and contributing member at her church, serving on several committees and through her role as a Licenced Lay Worship Leader.

Children are welcome and Hilda has chosen some hymns especially for them. There will be an informal lunch/reception in the church hall after the gathering.

Please dress comfortably.

In lieu of flowers please bring contributions for Ottawa's Food Banks.

From Hilda's siblings:

Eric and Marian Pitters and Dorothy Strachan

April 12th
7:00 pm

Second Sunday of Easter
Rev Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole

Council Meeting

Please note that the next Council meeting will be held in-person on Wednesday, April 15th, 7:30 in the Art Room at Glebe-St. James United

Roofing project update

With the generous support of members of the Glebe-St James community, we are making excellent progress towards lining up the funding for the roofing renovation work planned for this Summer. The 2026 contributions are still coming in – including much-appreciated support from Glebe Montessori School – and we also have solid pledges for 2027 and 2028. We are getting close!

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation or a pledge so far. And if you are still considering it, any and all support is most welcome and will make a difference.

Volunteers needed...

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

Great Glebe Garage Sale (GGGSale)

Saturday May 23rd.....looking for volunteers!

On Saturday May 23th, 10 am through 2:00 pm, Glebe-St. James will once again participate in the GGGSale. Yes, we rent space (Jennifer) and our bathrooms are open for visitors and a \$\$\$\$ donation. This year we are planning on having two tables of stuff as well. Currently, most of the stuff sits at the ready in containers in the garage at 222 Powell.

Yes we are looking for volunteers to be involved on Saturday May 23rd. Please ponder, think YES, and then connect with Jennifer Reid or me (Dudleigh Coyle).

All good

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 (CCC)

CCC 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.

CCC 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

Kwe Kwe

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

The Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation (AOPFN) is an Algonquin community located along the shores of Golden Lake and the Bonnechere River in Renfrew County, Ontario. The name *Pikwakanagan*, which means "hilly place," signifies the longstanding relationship between the community and its territory. Currently, approximately 450 members reside on reserve, with nearly 3,800 registered members living in the broader region and beyond.



Situated 1.5 hours west of Ottawa, the 1,800-acre reserve is part of the Algonquin Nation's traditional and unceded territory, encompassing about 9 million acres. These lands and waters have provided sustenance to the community for generations, supporting their resources, knowledge, and cultural traditions.

Learn more by visiting their website:

<https://www.algonquinsfpikwakanagan.com/>

Palestine Solidarity at GSJ

If you missed the Palm Sunday service, you may wish to listen to Diana Ralph's sermon: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z9NH7uaibII>

Teresa introduces Diana at 44:17. We are planning to invite a Palestinian speaker for the service on April 26, followed by a lunch and learn with the speaker and Diana. Please bring your own lunch!

If you or someone you know finds these conversations really challenging, The Enemies Project helps "enemies" discover the human being in each other. Here is an episode entitled 'A Palestinian and a Zionist Jew' that may be helpful:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5nDYApv2SD4>

Last but not least, **Focus on Palestine** is a group within First United Church, Ottawa, formed to take collective action for justice and peace for Palestinians. Their email updates go out at least monthly. They highlight faithful listening and action, especially within the United Church of Canada. For more information or to sign up for the email updates, please contact sandramary.ballantyne@gmail.com.

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!

Queer Space – We’re moving to Saturdays

Join us for Queer Space - 6 pm on April 18th 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. This month we will gather on April 19th

Labyrinth: Third Sunday of each month, 3 - 5 pm.

Come find your quiet centre. Contact: Judy Wolanski

Men & Friends

Wednesday April 22nd“Springfest”

Come for 5:30, dinner at 6:00pm.

Yes, we will be having our 2026 “Springfest”. Delightful. Yes, we will have conversations about many things. I may focus on the Montreal Canadiens if they are in the playoffs. All topics welcome.

All good and I will be adding a special ingredient to the chili, thank you Hans.

South-East Ottawa Cluster

The Brookfield Community Food Cupboard

When we initiated our Cluster of five churches in 2021, one of the groups formed recognized the need for addressing food insecurity in Southeast Ottawa. In partnership with Riverside United Church, Brookfield High School opened the Brookfield Community Food Cupboard.

The Food Cupboard (BCFC) serves the students and neighbours of the Brookfield High School. It was created to ease food insecurity in Brookfield and neighbouring schools found to be as high as 70 percent of students and their families in high schools, and 30 to 50 percent or more in Public School Board Elementary Schools. It has about 125 volunteers and provides donated and purchased non-perishable foods.

To enrich meals the Cupboard is increasingly receiving donations of perishables, like baked goods, fruits and vegetables, often in large quantities. Therein is the requirement for reliable refrigeration.

Please consider a [GoFundMe](#) donation toward the Brookfield Community Food Cupboard’s purchase of two refrigeration appliances – about \$4,000.

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>

Community...

OTTAWA-VANIER COMMUNITY TALK ON ISRAEL-PALESTINE



Featuring a presentation
by **Dr. Peter Larson**,
Chair of the Ottawa Forum
on Israel-Palestine

 **Thursday, April 16, 2026**

 **6:30 PM**

 **Rockliffe Park Community Centre (380
Springfield Rd)**

Centretown Churches Social Action Committee (CCSAC)

The CCSAC AGM will be held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 7:00 pm at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 400 Sparks Street. Our guest speaker is Kaite Burkholder Harris, Executive Director of the Alliance to End Homelessness. All are welcome to attend.

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...

Coordinating Minister: Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole, ex 24; Revtbc.gsj@gmail.com

Children's Church Leader: Kayla Cseh, ex 22; Childrenschurch.gsj@gmail.com

Minister of Music: Paul Grose, ex 25; min.music.gsj@gmail.com

Minister of Music Emeritus: Robert Palmai

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

Church Administrator: Jennifer Reid, ex 21; admin@glebestjames.ca

Glebe-St James: April 12 – April 18th

Monday			
	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	Fraser Hall
	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
	7:30 pm	Council (in-person) meeting	Art Room
Thursday			
	3:30 – 6:15pm	GNAG: after school programming	Art Room & Lounge
	7 pm	Writing Group	Art Room
	7 pm	Cubs (cub car rally)	Fraser Hall
	7 pm	GSJ Choir	Sanctuary
	7:30 pm	Venturers	Lounge
Friday			
	1 - 4 pm	GMS: Art Class	Art Room
	3:30 – 6:15pm	GNAG: after school programming	Art Room & Lounge
Saturday			
	to 5 pm	Music (Paul)	Sanctuary
	9 am – 1 pm	Exercise with Cate (2 sessions)	Fraser Hall
	6 – 7 pm	Queer Space	Lounge

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