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Prayer Circle for August: Marion Dunning

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.

August 24th Summer Service @ Glebe-St. James United

https://www.glebestjames.ca

August 31st Summer Service @ St. Giles Presbyterian

Bank Street & First Avenue https://stgilesottawa.org/

September 7th Service @ Glebe-St. James United – 10:30 am

Presiding: Maureen Stark

Maureen is a Lay Worship Leader with EOORC (Eastern Ontario and

Outaouais Regional Council)

James Caswell will be back to lead music

September 14th Welcome Back Sunday at Glebe-St. James United – 10:30 am

Presiding: Rev. Teresa Burnett-Cole

e-update

The next e-update will go out on September 3rd.

If you would like to include something in these updates, please send your items to admin@glebestjames.ca before 4 pm on the Tuesday, September 2nd. You can also leave a voice mail if that is easier for you.

Office Hours

Jennifer will be in the office on August 25 - 27, mornings only. We return to regular hours on September 2^{nd} . Regular hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am - 4 pm.

GSJ Operating Fund needs a boost!

Frankly, we are not having the kind of summer we had hoped for on the givings front. Our short-term target is \$130,000 by September 1, but as of July 31, donations to the Operating Fund stood at just over \$104,300, so we need a strong showing in August. We've said it before and we'll say it again: the GSJ Operating Fund does not take summer holidays! Cheques, e-transfers and PayPal donations (Donate button on website) are all welcome. Let's set ourselves up for success in the fall.

Thanking you in advance for your generous support!

Geoff McGuire Chair, Finance and Administration

Glebe-St. James United Church invites you to PATCHWORK PILGRIMAGE 2025 September 26 to 28

For the 17th year at Gracefield Christian Camp & Retreat Centre Gracefield, Quebec

Cost: \$ 250, Friday Supper to Sunday lunch
See attached or Judy Wolanski for more information

LET'S MAKE FABRIC FROM SCRAPS

Crumbs, strings, chunks, slabs, bricks, orphan blocks and more. Turn them into something useful. It is play time with bits and pieces and colours.

We are quilters—beginners to experts—who gather each fall to spend a weekend sewing, learning, sharing, and enjoying the colours of the Gatineau Hills and the quiet lakeside. Our quilting retreat weekend is spent creating projects for ourselves and baby quilts for St. Mary's Home. New techniques and skills are taught and shared; friendships are renewed and strengthened. All are welcome.

The Presbyterian Church's Gracefield Christian Camp & Retreat Centre is located 90 km north of Ottawa in the upper Gatineau Valley. We will be staying in White Pine Lodge and Beaver Lodge which have shared bedrooms (some accessible) with shared washrooms.

GSJ Photo Directory

Universal Portrait Studios will be onsite October 7-9th. There is no charge to have your photo taken and have it included in our photo directory. You may however choose to purchase additional portrait quality photos for your own use (Christmas is coming). There are posters on the Church bulletin boards with a QR code.

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 https://eoorc.ca/news/
Healing Pathways https://healingpathway.ca/
Ottawa School of Theology & Spirituality https://www.osts.ca/

Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program

Registration is now open for their Fall Courses

The Basic Training Courses begins Monday, September 15th and runs weekly until November 24th. There is an in-person course in the afternoon and an online (zoom) in the evenings.

The fall Advance program will run over four Tuesdays at St. Paul's Presbyterian (Woodroffe Ave).

There is also a Continuing Educaton event on Tuesday, November 4th, 7-9 pm (zoom). This session, What's This Thing Called "Trauma Informed" Pastoral Care, will be led by the Rev. Canon Hilary Murray and Dr. Mary Anne Robblee.

Information on all three events can be found on their website, www.ottawapastoralcare.com

In the Community...

OMRA's Annual Picnic – Saturday, August 23rd

All are welcome to OMRA's Annual Picnic on Saturday August 23rd, 1:00 pm at 39 Onslow Cres. Please come and socialize with the newcomers that GSJ has been supporting through the grocery cards program, taste delicious food and catch a ride in Jim Louter's canoe.

It's potluck. Please bring something delicious to share, a chair and your own water bottle.

Capital Pride Parade - Sunday, August 24th

The Capital Pride Parade will take place in the afternoon of Sunday August 24th. More information on the parade can be found online here.

EOORC's Affirm Team is organizing our region's participation in this event. If you would like to walk with the team, you can join in behind EOORC's banner and truck. If your church has its own banner, you could bring it along.

If you want to walk in the parade, you can enter the staging area on the Laurier Bridge in front of City Hall from any direction between 11:30am - 1pm.

Each group has a Staging Area Code. This Staging Area Code is associated with a Colour Zone, which will be marked with signage in the staging area.

Our group's Staging Area Code: A62 Our group's Colour Zone: ORANGE Hope to see you there, and Happy Pride!

If you are interested in participating or need more information, please reach out to Rev. Sue (gsj.pastoralcare@gmail.com). You are invited to bring your lunch and gather in Fraser Hall after the service. The group will then proceed to City Hall. Rev. Teresa has obtained a small banner for us

CCSAC Newsletter

The Summer edition of the CCSAC Newsletter is attached.

Walk for the Centre

Supporting Centretown Community Food Centre Saturday, October 5th, 1:30 – 4 pm 2 or 4 KM walk along the scenic Rideau Canal pathway www.centretownchurches.org/walkathon

Our Ministry Team...

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

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