

Glebe-St. James United Church
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## **Prayer Circle for November: Karen Smith**

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.

#### November 9th

10:30 am Remembrance Day Sunday Presiding: Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole

Reading: ???

Children's Church virtues: Creativity

Exodus 35:31-33 and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills—to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, to cut and set stones, to work in wood and to engage in all kinds of artistic crafts.

#### New Members welcome at Glebe-St. James

On Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be welcoming new members by baptism, transfer of membership or Profession of Faith. If you are interested in making this commitment, please contact Rev. Teresa.

#### **United Church Calendars**

We have ordered some 2026 UCC Calendars. They will arrive in early December. To reserve your calendar, please let Jennifer (admin@glebestjames.ca) know you would like one. Cost this year is \$ 8.50

Call for Input to Annual Staff Review for Rev Dr Teresa by November 10, 2025 The Ministry and Personnel Committee (M and P) will be holding the annual staff review for the Rev. Dr. Teresa in late November. As a regular part of this process, we invite the congregation to share praise or concerns in writing. The substance of the written comments will be discussed with Teresa during the review meeting. Issues raised will be considered confidentially and acted upon by M and P. Anonymous comments will not be considered. Please send your responses by Monday November 10, 2025 to Rebecca Dalton (gregroger1902@gmail.com) by email or in a sealed envelope delivered to the church office.

## A Message from your Finance and Administration Committee



# Let's turn up the heat!

- Our congregational givings target for 2025 is \$230K.
- With two months left in 2025, we need to pick up the pace!
- Let's position ourselves for success next year with a balanced budget in 2025.
- Remember, the thermometer boils at \$230K!

## Name tags

We will be placing an order for name tags at the end of November. If you would like to order one, please let Barb Coyle know (barb.coyle@rogers.com) Cost is \$25. Please note that the tags come with a magnetic backing. If you have a pace-maker or if you simply would like a pin style backing – we can make that request.



# 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

## The Nattering Knitters are back!

Feeling lonely, isolated, winter approaching....

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

## Women's Intergenerational Group (WIG)

WIG meets on the third Sunday of each month following morning worship. We finish around 1:30 pm. November 16<sup>th</sup>: One Plane Away

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

## Men's and Friends .... Tonight: Wednesday, November 26th

Come at 5:30 pm for 6:00 pm start

#### Affirm United: We will remember

November is a month of remembrance.

For events happening through Affirm United, please use the link below.

If the link below doesn't work, please contact Jennifer and she will send you the original email.

https://mailchi.mp/7c0be2f67511/we-will-remembernous-nous-rappellerons-8335208?e=8245e90b92

## Bazaar...



GSJ Bazaar: November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10 am

## New this year: The Assembly of Seven Generations

The Assembly of Seven Generations will be having a table at the bazaar, stay tuned for more information.

As well we will be having a bazaar Christmas Tree that will transform the sanctuary into a Christmas Winter Wonderland with many festive items for sale.

We will have our regular tables including: Collectables, bake goods, Christmas crafts, children's table, puzzle's, books, fish pond, silent auction, od's and sods and our wool room. The Tea Room will be open. We also welcome back the Glebe Montessori

School. Come early, shop and then stay for coffee lunch. All good!!!

**This just in** – House 2 Home will be joining us this year. With Westgate being demolished in the near future, H2H has had to clear our their space. They are hoping to raise some much needed funds.

Please help us spread the word.

#### **Fish Pond**

What would life be without the opportunity to go fish. If you have some fishpond prizes, please drop them off. Currently we have some toy cars, playdough and some arts & crafts. Items can be dropped off with Kayla on Sunday or with Dudleigh or Jennifer.

#### **Silent Auction**

#### **Bake Table**

Who doesn't love Christmas baking. This is one of the popular tables at every bazaar I attend. Please bake your favourite Christmas treat and donate it to the bake table. A list of ingredients is helpful for those of us with food allergies or special diets.

## Outreach...

#### Hold the date....

Glebe-St. James will be working at the Pause Table at Carleton University on Tuesday, December  $9^{th}$ , 9:30 am - 12 Noon. Contact person is Liz Elton.



## Granny Cheese Fundraiser – Order deadline is November 5th

Support grandmothers and orphaned children in subSaharan Africa by purchasing gift boxes of cheese from the Abbey of Saint-Benoit-du-Lac in the Eastern Townships.

A unique gift box containing 7 delicious cheeses. Cost is \$45.

Contact Laura Tanner 613 233-6600; tannerl@rogers.com. All proceeds to the Grandmothers Campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

## **OMRA** (Refugee Housing support)

## **Grocery card program for Refugee Housing**

Help us support Refugee Housing

Each month, we place an order for grocery cards (Metro, Farm Boy, PC (Loblaws) or Shoppers) You pay the face value for the card (\$ 50) and can use the card to purchase the face value of goods from the store (\$ 50). In addition we receive 5% of the face value (\$2.50) for each card we buy which goes towards the OMRA Refugee Housing Program. It is a win-win for all of us.

The cards also make great Christmas presents and are easily tucked inside a Christmas card. This month only, we are able to obtain some grocery cards in smaller denominations – see Donna-Fay for details. Details on the order date will follow.

#### Fair Trade Christmas Sale

@ Ottawa Mennonite Church, 1830 Kilborn Ave.
 Ten Thousand Villages – crafts and food from around the world Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 3 – 8 pm
 Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 4 pm
 (borscht and baked goods on Saturday)

#### **Purdy's Chocolatier**

In support of OMRA

https://tinyurl.com/ChocolateforOMRA

To participate click on the link, join a campaign, shop online

## **Gently Used Clothing for Ottawa Innercity Ministries (OMI)**

Ottawa Innercity Ministries' mission is to come alongside and support individuals experiencing poverty and homelessness, by demonstrating the message of Christ in action and word, showing compassion, and promoting self-esteem.

OIM operates a Winter Wear Shop every Thursday afternoon from October to April. People experiencing homelessness and poverty can 'shop' for clothes that are offered free, along with hot drinks, snacks and fellowship. OIM is looking for gently used winter items that could be dropped off at their building, 391 Gladstone Ave, Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. (Phone:613-237-6031) If you are unable to deliver items yourself, please email Margo Williams at margoewilliams@yahoo.ca.

The OIM list includes: Coats, Boots, Hoodies and Sweaters, Snowpants, Gloves/mitts, Warm socks and Winter hats. Please consider a donation if you have winter clothes you are no longer using.

#### **OMI Meal Train**

Ottawa Innercity Ministries is always in need of sandwiches, water and juice for their outreach teams to distribute to Centretown people who live on the street or are housed but live in extreme poverty.



If you or a group are interested and able to provide sandwiches sign up here. <a href="https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/nkwlkq">https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/nkwlkq</a> Food Drop-Off Location is 391 Gladstone Ave Monday to Friday between 9am and 3pm.

## **Food Security**

#### Volunteers needed:

Are you looking for ways to contribute? Do you have a free couple of hours per week? Ottawa Public Foods could use you! We have a grocery delivery opening as well as a daily maintenance vacancy. If you are interested in more details, speak to Susan Palmai at coffee hour.

## In gratitude:

The Outreach committee wants to thank you all for your generous donations to Centretown Community Food Centre (CCFC) and Ottawa Public Foods (OPF) last Sunday. Keep up the good work! With the cold weather settling in, the need will be that much greater. We heard the statistics from Dennis last Sunday and as well we hear it on the local and national news nightly! Financial donations to CCFC are also very welcome.

#### Centre 507 Garden

The garden has been put to bed, resting and getting ready for next year. Thank you to those from GSJ, the School and their families who helped with this project over the last 6 months. Centre 507 uses the produce grown in our garden to add fresh veggies to their menu. For those that like to putter in the soil – we will be looking for volunteers to help waken the garden next April or May.

## The Centretown Churches Social Action Committee (CCSAC) News.

The Walk For The Centre celebrated ten years of supporting the Centretown Community Food Centre in 2025 on October 5th. The Walk is a fundraiser for the Centretown Community Food Centre, which is a vital service in downtown Ottawa, providing fresh and non-perishable food to over 1500 people every month. It is a project of the Centretown



Churches Social Action Committee, a registered charity that is made up of 22 downtown churches. Over one hundred people met for some music, a silent auction and a walk along the Rideau Canal. Over \$45,000 has been raised. Thanks to the GSJ folks who participated and donated!

## Cluster News...

## <u>Invitation to join in upcoming events</u>

Glebe-St James is a member of the church "cluster" of five local United Churches, known as the "SE Ottawa UCC Cluster". Emmanuel, Rideau Park, Riverside, Southminster and Glebe-St James are working together to provide opportunities for collaboration with each other on existing or new initiatives that would be enhanced when worked on together, and to provide a venue to share information and support each other.

We have received a warm invitation to join the following upcoming events. More specific information is contained in each invitation.

## DOMS (doors open for music) @ Southminster United

Wednesdays at 12 Noon (dom613.com)

Join us for our weekly Wednesday concerts at 12 Noon in the Sanctuary. Free will offering will be accepted.

October 29<sup>th</sup> Goldbert Variations

## Friday Night live @ Southminster United

(southminsterunitedchurch.coméfriday-night-live)

Friday Night Live is a coffee house for youth featuring young musicians — ages 12 and up. Come out and share your performance art of any kind, style or level. Please contact Sarah (<a href="music@southminsterunitedchurch.com">music@southminsterunitedchurch.com</a>) if you would like to participate or if you have any questions.

# 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 ...

The November 5<sup>th</sup> edition includes:

- Covenanting Service (First United with Rev. Dr. Dorcas Kanana Muketha)
- M&P Workshop
- Christ United Church named Lyn's Citizen of the Year!
- Then Let Us Sing
- Canada Summer Jobs
- Equity Forum
- Upcoming Events
- MHI Concert and more

## Check out other Christian organizations and their opportunities

Churchx https://www.churchx.ca
Healing Pathways https://healingpathway.ca/

Ottawa School of Theology & Spirituality <a href="https://www.osts.ca/">https://www.osts.ca/</a>

United Church of Canada Foundation https://unitedchurchfoundation.ca/

# Cross Country Check-in: November 18th at 6 pm ET

Register today!

Connect with church leaders! The Moderator, The Right Rev. Dr. Kimberly Heath, and General Secretary, Rev. Michael Blair, invite you to a live online Cross Country Checkin with the General Council Executive (GCE) on November 18, 6:00–7:30 p.m. ET. This is an opportunity to put faces to names and engage directly with the GCE soon after their meeting, enriching preparations for GC45 and other key leadership meetings.

# Community...

## **Cornerstone Housing for Women Hygiene Drive**

In April 2024, Cornerstone relocated. They are now on Carling Avenue near Bayshore and house over 160 women. This expansion has placed significant pressure on the ability to provide basic hygiene essentials. The Shelter is reaching out to faith partners in the community for help. During this drive they are collecting body wash, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, deodorant and feminine hygiene products.

## **Support Hospice Care Ottawa**

## **Homes for the Holidays BUY TICKETS TODAY**

Mark your calendars! Hospice Care Ottawa's beloved Home for the Holidays tour returns November 14 - 16, 2025. Join us for a festive weekend exploring stunning homes decorated for the season by talented local florists and designers.

## NEW! POP UP SOCIAL | Friday, November 14, 5:00PM - 8:00PM

Everyone is invited to our Pop Up Social on Friday evening to help us kick off the festive weekend. Enjoy complimentary food & beverages and live entertainment while you shop.

## **About the Pop-Up Shop**

Nov 14, 2025 | 10:00AM - 8:00PM

Nov 15, 2025 | 10:00AM - 6:00 PM

Nov 16, 2025 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM

Celebrate the season at the beautiful **1818 Farmstand and Cidery** (1811 Richardson Side Rd, Carp, ON K0A 1L0), a modern venue beside a scenic natural amphitheatre. More than 30 Vendors and donors will be selling beautiful artisan works and unique finds all day.

# MultiFaith Housing Project: Odenak



## November 14<sup>th</sup> (a) Barrhaven United

The Nepean Choir and the Manotick Brass Ensemble will perform at the fifth Musicians for Odenak Concert, Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm Doors open at 6:30 More information: Dianne (613-327-7275) Admission is by free-will offering but tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$ 25 or more.

## December 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm.

Admission is by free-will offering, but tax receipts will be issues for donations of \$25 or more. Join in at Barrhaven United for an evening of songs of the season and some carol singing. The night concludes with a special Christmas fable and combined singing of Peace, Peace, Peace. Bring your phone so we can light up the night!

## **National Housing Day 2025**

This year, under the theme Communities Building Communities, we are especially proud to highlight our newest development, Odenak. Located at LeBreton Flats and named after the Algonquin word for "community," Odenak will bring 133 affordable homes, owned and operated by MHI, to the heart of Ottawa—on a site of deep cultural and historical significance.

### **Event Details**

Date: Sunday, November 23rd, 2025

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM, followed by a one-hour reception

Location: Sir John A. Macdonald Building, 144 Wellington St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5B9

<u>RSVP Required</u>: Please note that this is a federal government building and you are required to RSVP by Thursday, November 20, 2025, by 11:59 PM. Please click the blue button below to fill out your attendance form.

<u>Onsite Security</u>: Security screening, including ID verification and a metal detector, will be required upon entry. Please allow extra time to clear security to ensure you are seated before the program begins at 3:00 PM.

# Closing out 2025...

Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Quilting Sunday Come see the quilts created for St Mary's

Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> New Member Sunday

Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> Advent 1

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> Advent 2: Music Sunday Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> Advent 3: Pageant Sunday

Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> Advent 4

Wednesday, December 24th

4:30 pm Family Service 7:30 pm Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 28th

# 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

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