



Glebe-St. James United Church
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October 29, 2025

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 2nd

10:30 am

Presiding:

Reading:

All Saints Sunday

Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole

Psalm 26

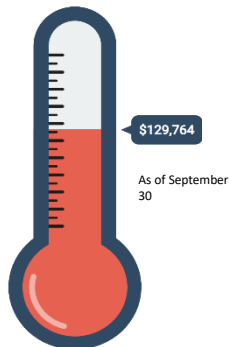
Children's Church virtues:

Grace & Courtesy

Colossians 4:6: "Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone". This verse directly links gracious and "well-seasoned" speech to knowing how to respond to others with courtesy.

A Message from your Finance and Administration Committee

GOAL: \$230,000



Our congregational givings target for 2025 is \$230K. With three 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! As of October 29th we are at \$ 145 K

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.



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.

Please join us – November 5th

Our next Congregational Conversation will be held on **Wednesday, November 5, starting at 7:15 pm.** Our conversation will be about shaping our future together. Your voice matters - we hope you will join us.

Please enter through the Lyon Street door. They will be open at 6:45 pm with cold drinks and cookies available in Fraser Hall. The meeting will start promptly at 7:15 in the Sanctuary.

A copy of the Operational Plan for 2026 was sent out on Tuesday morning. If you would like a hard copy, some will be available on Sunday at the Church. If you did not get the report and would like a copy e-mailed to you, please let Jennifer (admin@glebestjames.ca) know.

We look forward to seeing you and engaging in this visioning and planning process.

Christmas Bazaar Posters

We have been receiving many posters for Bazaars in and around the area. Check them out – bulletin board by the kitchen door @ GSJ.

OMRA 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 grocery cards in smaller denominations – see Donna-Fay for details. Details on the order date will follow.

Photo Directory – November 7, 8 & 10th (NEW DATES)

Have you booked your appointment on November 7, 8 or 10th yet? Better hurry and call Brenda at 1-888-769-7339 Ext 1. The first two days are almost full and they need to know if they need to open Monday, November 10th.

You can also book an appointment online. The link is below. Everyone is invited to participate – whether you have been coming to Glebe St. James for 50 years or 50 days, join in to make our Directory as complete as possible!

[Book Online](#)

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.

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 16th: One Plane Away

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

Come find your quiet centre. Contact: Judy Wolanski

Men's and FriendsTonight: Wednesday, October 29th

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

Yes, we will be probably talking about authors and recently read books, actually we will be interested in the books you have read more than once. One may also bring your read book and loan it to another. I am sure I will be bringing Richard Wagamese's book.... “What comes from Spirit”.

Bazaar...



GSJ Bazaar: November 22nd, 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!!!

Please help us spread the word.

Festive Christmas Table @ Bazaar

Downsizing? Extra Christmas ornaments and other decorations? Bring them to GSJ for the Bazaar Christmas Tree. The corner of the sanctuary will be a Christmas wonderland with so many festive items for sale! Rumour has it that some of Santa's elves will be there to help.

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...

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 or Karen Walker at coffee hour.

Fair Trade Christmas Sale

@ Ottawa Mennonite Church, 1830 Kilborn Ave.

Ten Thousand Villages – crafts and food from around the world

Friday, November 7th, 3 – 8 pm

Saturday, November 8th, 10 am – 4 pm

(borscht and baked goods on Saturday)



Granny Cheese Fundraiser --

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. Order deadline is November 5th. Contact Laura Tanner 613 233-6600; tannerl@rogers.com. All proceeds to the Grandmothers Campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

Hold the date....

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

Cluster News...

Invitation to join in upcoming events

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 29th Goldbert Variations

Friday Night live @ Southminster United

(southminsterunitedchurch.com/friday-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 (music@southminsterunitedchurch.com) 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 ...

EOORC news

<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...

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

Musicians for Odenak



November 14th @ Barrhaven United

The Nepean Choir and the Manotick Brass Ensemble will perform at the fifth Musicians for Odenak Concert, Friday, November 14th, 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 12th, 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!

Our Ministry Team...

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

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

Minister of Music: James Caswell, ex 25; 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