Sunday, October 7, 2018

World Wide Communion

And Thanksgiving

Rideau Park United Church

Welcome to Rideau Park United Church. Please note: Audio loops are available from the ushers. Prayer requests for today's services can be noted on the lists at the entrances. Childcare for pre-schoolers is available in room B-12 (lower hallway). Quiet activity boxes are also available for children in the chapel each Sunday. ***Indicates where the congregation is invited to stand as able.** *After the service you are invited to join us for refreshments and conversation in Beecroft Hall.*

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We Gather Together

Prelude:

Lighting of the Chancel Candles: Psalm 4: 6-7: "Let the light of your face shine on us, O God. You have put gladness in my heart.

*Call to Worship:

ONE: From the eagle's aerie, to the fishes' deep-
ALL: from colour-drenched leaves, to the geese flight above.
ONE: With our lips, with our hearts, with our hands, with our feet,
ALL: we sing out, "ALLELUIA!", we laugh out, " Hosanna!", we shout out, "Thank you, LOVING GOD!"
ONE: For all that was.
ALL: For all that is.
ONE: For all that will be.
ALL: Alleluia! Hosanna! THANK YOU, LOVING GOD!

ONE: For all that we were.
ALL: For all that we are.
ONE: For all that we could be!
ALL: Alleluia! Hosanna! THANK YOU, LOVING GOD!

ONE: So, together we sing, together we say…
ALL: may it always be so.
ONE: Together we shout…
ALL: AMEN! AMEN! AMEN!

***Processional Hymn: 516 VU Come, You Thankful People, Come** St George's Windsor
(Following the hymn, the children are invited to go to Sunday School.)

*Prayer of Approach

Listening for God's Presence and Voice

Scripture Reading: Philippians 4: 4-9 Lay Reader: Marc Laliberté

Anthem: "A Celtic Thanksgiving" J.M Martin
Chancel Choir, Andrew Ager - piano;

Guest Musicians: Sara Mastrangelo – violin; Don Macpherson – Cello; Renée Michaud –flute;
Benjamin Borg – guitar; Owen Stanton-Kennedy – percussion

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6: 24-34 Lay Reader: Marc Laliberté

Sermon: Rejoice? Rejoice! Steve Clifton

Offering Ourselves in Service

Offering

Offertory Music "Ave Verum" Elgar
Section Leads: Jessyca Morgan – *Soprano* , Carmen Harris - *Mezzo-soprano*,
Noah Bragança –*Tenor*, James Coole - Stevenson-*Baritone*

The Life and Work of the Church

***Presentation Hymn: 468 VU Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ** Linstead
Breads representing many nations and one shared cup
representing our unity in Christ will be brought forward at this time.

A Time of Reflection: Jesus at the Table

Presentation of Bread
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise for you looked upon all your hands wrought and called it good…

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup
The bread of heaven The cup of joy

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

(Please come forward to receive communion by intincture. Please take your direction from the elders; those wishing to be served where they are, are asked to signal a serving elder. Please note that there are 2 stations for prayer available as you come forward for communion today.)

The bread of heaven The cup of joy

Communion Music: "Fairest Lord Jesus" Hakes
Chancel Choir

Jesus' Prayer (p. 921 VU)

***Hymn 884 VU: You Shall Go Out With Joy** Trees of the Field

*Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude:

In our celebration of communion today, we gather around God's banquet table and share the symbols of Christ in our midst. Everyone is welcome.

The flowers today are presented in loving memory of Hugh Matheson and daughters Chris (Ruth) Jones and Linda Curran, by Jean Matheson and family.

Rideau Park United Church seeks to be a welcoming faith community, inclusive of all, including those of different economic, ethnic, racial and religious backgrounds, sexual orientations and gender identities. We have recently begun a study process with the goal of becoming an Affirming Ministry, as defined by the United Church of Canada.

We acknowledge, with respect the history, spirituality, and culture of the indigenous peoples of Canada, and their stewardship of unceeded Algonquin land where this church is built.

Rideau Park News

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Upcoming Worship Events

Oct 21	Anniversary Sunday	10:00am
Oct 21	Congregational Meeting	11:30am
Nov 4	Dedication - Stained Glass Window	10:00am

"We eat simply so that others may simply eat." With the celebration of **communion today**, we invite you to make a special donation to the Benevolent Fund. This is a discretionary fund used by the ministers to offer financial support to individuals and households in the congregation and community. Thanks to the congregation's generosity, we have been able to subsidize fees for events and programs at the church, we have kept the utilities on in people's homes, we have put food in children's lunch bags. With your help, we can continue to respond to these emergencies, with compassion and care. Please use the Benevolent Fund envelope in this bulletin.

Blessing of the Animals service is happening on Sunday, October 14 this year, at 2:00 p.m., as Thanksgiving Sunday, October 7, is the first Sunday. All of God's creatures are welcome to share in a service of blessing. We will meet in our side parking lot. (If it rains we may move into Beecroft Hall.) Pets should be leashed or caged or carried, whatever makes them feel safe and secure in the company of others. No pre-registration is required. All (species) are welcome!

Have you heard about Structural Review? Do you have ideas or comments to share about how we are organized here at Rideau Park? If so, we would love to hear from you! We are currently holding consultations. More information and a list of the Members working on this can be found at: https://www.rideaupark.ca/download/59/documents/2730/rpuc-2018-structural-review.pdf. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Tuesdays, October 2 to 30, 10:00-11:00 a.m. *Tuesday Coffee Break*: A time for conversation, community building and your favourite hot beverage (and maybe even cookies!)

Do you play piano? If you are available to play, on occasion, for a retirement home service, please let Georgina know.

Sunday School is looking for willing volunteers who would be able to teach our Pre-K/JK/SK room (ages 3-6). This class is a lovely group of eager learners who love a song, story and time to explore our kindie room toys. We have a curriculum with lesson plans already in place and we just need a few willing individuals who would be able to step up and take over. We are open to individuals or a team of rotating teachers who would be able to offer their time to helping our youngest worshippers grow in their faith. We are also on the look out for volunteers to create a list of "fill in" teachers for our grade 1/2/3 and grade 4/5/6 classes. If you think you could , please speak to CD co-chair Andrea Laliberté at 613-248-1283, marcandrea@rogers.com or anytime at church.

The flowers at the front of the church are provided by the UCW and delivered to members of the congregation each week. If you know of anyone who has been ill, has a special birthday, a significant anniversary, or is just in need of support please contact the flower conveners so that they can be remembered. Also, if you are not a member of a UCW Unit and would be interested in occasionally delivering flowers, we would love to hear from you! Conveners are Mabel Bannerman, 613-731-5865 or jamban@sympatico.ca and Judy Paré, 613-523-0098 or

UCW Unit 2's Fall Deli Pie Making sessions are beginning. If you are available for 2-3 hours in **October, on Tuesday, Wednesday and/or Thursday mornings (October 9, 10, 11 16, 17 and 18),** please contact Mabel Bannerman at 613-731-5865. We'd be delighted to schedule you in for one or more sessions. Lots of laughs and great conversation!

Sunday, October 21, 11:30 – Fall Congregational Meeting: An opportunity to learn more about the congregation. This meeting's focus will be the current review of decision-making processes and work of the congregation, and an opportunity to hear feedback from the congregation.

Environmental Action at Rideau Park! Special thanks to everyone who helped with and attended the Sustainability Showcase and learning session about The Aparment :Sustainability Office." If you'd like to follow-up or if you missed the session and want to know more, please contact Kristina Inrig at greenrpuc@gmail.com.

Each Sunday morning as the collection plate is passed around, while it may look bare, 198 members/families (over 85% of those making pledges) are actually contributing close to $8,500 through pre-authorized remittance (PAR). Sunday PAR givings go primarily to the 3 major funds, which the Church uses to manage most of the work that we do. It takes a lot of financial support, approximately $11,500 per week, to operate a Church our size and run all of the programs that we do. That is why we need strong financial support from all those attending our services. So when that plate goes by take time to reflect on what it takes to run our church and how your generosity can help make a difference**.**

The office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Monday, October 8.

Healing Pathway is a United Church ministry that develops the skills and gifts of healing hands within the Christian tradition and has fostered the development of healing ministries in congregations and other communities for over 25 years. Rideau Park offers full sessions (20 to 40 minutes), by appointment, on Thursdays between 1:00 and 4:00 pm, and once a month on Sunday evening from7:00–9:00pm.To book an appointment, please contact healingpathway@rideaupark.ca, or speak to Sharon Sanderson or Brian Neal. Healing prayer is also offered most Sundays in the Chapel, immediately following the service. No appointment is needed for these shorter, 3-5 minute sessions.

Sunday, October 28, at 11:30 – Affirming Ministries is hosting a workshop on **"How to be an Ally".** Guest Presenter Daniella Noël (Education Coordinator at the Canadian Centre for Gender & Sexual Diversity) will offer us an opportunity to learn about the diversity of gender identity expressions and help us explore ways to better support the LGBTQ+ community. The goal is to give participants a well-rounded understanding of what it means to be an ally, which we can apply to a variety of situations in our daily lives. A light snack will be provided for attendees. No pre-registration is required for this after-church event.

It is time to think about the Bazaar!! The annual Rideau Park Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 3 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. The theme of this year's Bazaar is "The Night Before Christmas" and we are excited to once again be the conveners for this amazing event. Tea Room tickets will be on sale every Sunday during Coffee Hour and throughout the week in the church office. To volunteer or for more information contact: Heather Ingrams, 613-733-8471, ingrams.heaather73@gmail.com Judy Paré, 613-523-0098, judy2006@sympatico.ca

Because it is Bazaar time again, and *every room is used*, please note that the following activities are cancelled on these dates: **Wednesday, October 31:** Gentle Yoga; **Thursday, November 1**: Quilting, Healing Pathway, Euchre, HearSay and choir practices for: KinderPraise, Joyful Noise 1 and 2, and Cherubs. *(Chancel Choir, Bells and Chimes practices are still on.)* **Friday, November 3**: Morning Yoga and Chair Yoga. Thank you.

Ontario Youth Parliament (OYP) is a youth run, Ontario wide Organization and registered charity. The main focus is for youth to make new friends, speak their mind, and know their heart. This February 2019 OYP will be hosted at Rideau Park United Church! *OYP is looking for billets from the community* to host at least 2 delegates overnight on **November 17** for a planning meeting. *OYP will also be looking for billets for 3 nights February 15-17*. To learn more, or to get involved, further information is available at oyp.on.ca or email billets@oyp.on.ca.

Please note: Forms to order fresh blueberries, raspberries and/or cranberries, are on the Duty Officer's desk. Thank you to Riverside United Church for giving us this opportunity. Deadline: November 3, 2018.

Activities Calendar: October 7—14

Sunday:		
Meditation	9:10am	B-9
Service/Communion	10:00am	Sanctuary
Monday:		
OFFICE CLOSED		
Tuesday:		
Pie-making	7:30am	B. Kitchen
Pie-making	1:30pm	B. Kitchen
50+ Fitness	9:00am	Beecroft
Coffee Break	10:00am	Parlour
Unit 7	1:30pm	Parlour
La Bell Ensemble	7:15pm	Sanctuary
Wednesday:		
Pie-making	7:30am	B. Kitchen
UCW (TBC)	1:00pm	Parlour
Gentle Yoga	5:30pm	Beecroft
Stewards	7:30pm	Parlour
Thursday:		
Pie-making	7:30am	B. Kitchen
50+ Fitness	9:00am	Beecroft
Christmas Cheer	9:30am	Balcony
Quilting	9:30am	Parlour
Euchre	1:00pm	Parlour
Healing Pathway	1:00pm	B-9
HearSay	5:45pm	Parlour
KinderPraise	6:15pm	B-9
Joyful Noise 2	6:15pm	B-12
Cherubs	6:15pm	B-13
Note-Able Sound Chimes	6:15pm	Sanctuary
Joyful Noise 1	6:45pm	B-12
Grace Notes	6:45pm	Sanctuary
Chancel Choir	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Friday:		
Gentle Yoga	10:30am	Parlour
Saturday:		

Coffee Hour Volunteers

Oct 7	Nancy Begg-Durkee & John Durkee Ada McEwen & Morley Craig
Oct 14	Gerry & Greig Scott Helen Beck
Oct 21	Christy Harris Kathy McKinlay Bob & Margo Roden

Sunday Duty Officers

Oct 7	Shanti Inman
Oct 14	Kate Whitridge
Oct 21	Susan Klimowicz

Counting Volunteers

Oct 10	Garry Lindberg
Oct 15	John Scollick
Oct 22	Lois Jensen

Main Office is open Monday to Friday,

9:00am-4:00pm

Visit our website: rideaupark.ca

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