

Greetings from Rideau Park!

Our September calendars are full of start-up dates and registration times. We hope that you will include some of the following Rideau Park events in your schedule as you plan for the year ahead. For more information about any of the following events, contact the church office or our website at www.rideaupark.ca.

In Memorium: With summer holidays, some of you may not be aware of the deaths of these friends from our church family: Gladys Hunter (June 9); Ed Booth (July 21); Roger Hillier (August 12.) We keep their loved ones in our thoughts and prayers.

Sunday, August 26, 12:30 – Ottawa's Capital Pride Parade takes place downtown, starting at 1:30. Rideau Park folk are invited to meet outside Centertown United Church (Bank St. at Argyle), wearing their green RPUC tshirts, or something in rainbow colours. Centretown UC serves hotdogs and drinks until the parade starts.

Come and join us for services in the community:

Wednesday, **September 5, 1:30 pm** at **Oak Park** Retirement Community;

Thursday, **September 6, 11:00 am** at **Hunt Club Manor**;

Tuesday, **September 11, 10:45 am** at **Billings Lodge**;

Tuesday, **September 18, 11:00 am** at **Maplewood** Retirement Community.

Thursday, September 6, 1:00 pm – Our **Euchre group** starts its weekly games and fun – everyone is welcome!

Thursday, September 6 – Hearsay and Music programs for children and youth begin. Come and join us at **5:45 for supper**, then **singing and ringing will start at 6:15**. **Chancel Choir** also starts their regular rehearsals at **7:30 pm**.

Sunday, September 9, 10:00 am service – Our annual **"Launching" Sunday** for the year ahead. Brunch and Open House following the service. Invite a friend to come and learn more about RPUC!

Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting September 11, 9:00-10:00 am – Fifty-plus Fitness begins.

Wednesday, September 12, 5:30 – A new season for **Gentle Yoga** (also Fridays at 9:00 am) and **Chair Yoga** (Fridays at 10:30 am) begins. Contact the office for more information.

Friday, September 21, 6:00 pm – Lobster Supper.

Saturday, September 22, starting at 9:30 am – Heron Emergency Food Centre Walk-a-thon, starting at St Thomas the Apostle Anglican Church on Alta Vista. Pick up a donation form if you are interested in walking – or sponsor someone.

Wednesday, September 26, starting at 12:00 noon – Harmony Club. Come and join Rideau Park seniors for a good lunch and an interesting speaker. RSVP to the office if you are coming for lunch.

Friday September 28, 6-8:30 pm and Saturday, September 29, 9-11:30 – Nearly New and Used Book Sale. Items for sale are greatly appreciated, and may be dropped off Thursday all day and until noon on Friday. Volunteers to help with sorting, organizing and sales also needed Thursday and Friday daytime or evening.

Sunday, September 30, 10:00 am service – Orange Shirt Day. We invite you to wear something orange to church, in recognition of residential school survivors and their families, and to spread the message that everyone matters.

Sunday, September 30, 11:30 – Sustainability Office Showcase: An opportunity to have lunch and learn about the development of the apartment into a space for collaboration, outreach and action on the environment.

Upcoming in October:

Sunday, October 7, 10:00 am service is both **Worldwide Communion and Thanksgiving.** You are invited to dress in colourful clothes from many nations.

Did you know?

Rideau Park has a new website, which went “live” on Monday, August 20, 2018. It is a contemporary-looking, user-friendly site that incorporates Rideau Park’s impressive history, its vibrant present, and gives a sense of what our future as a community of faith can become.

The new site can be found at the same address — www.rideaupark.ca. If you have an event taking place send details to Debby Gerro (adminassist@rideaupark.ca) so it can be added to our unlimited calendar. If you find any errors, please notify us. If you have questions, we would be delighted to answer them.