

Sunday, November 4, 2018

10:00 a.m.



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

Gathering Music:

Lighting of the Chancel Candles: Psalm 119: 105: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

***Call to Worship:**

ONE: As we open the doors of this building, may we open our hearts to God.

ALL: As we open the doors to this sanctuary, may we open our hearts to each other.

ONE: As we open the doors to go into the world, may we open our hearts to our neighbours.

ALL: Open us, O God, to all that brings us close in faith.

ONE: Let us worship God in word and music and prayer.

ALL: Amen!

***Hymn: 312 VU**

Praise with Joy the World's Creator

Lauda Anima

***Prayer of Approach and Jesus' Prayer (p.921 VU)**

Prayer of Confession:

O God, generation after generation have offered you their hearts, and we take our place in following them. But forgive us, O God, the times we have settled for merely following, when we might have been living anew. Forgive us when we have not searched for new understanding within tradition, and when we have not opened the door to new hearts.

Forgive us, we pray, Amen

(a time of silent reflection and prayer)

Words of Assurance

Hymn: 62 MV

There Is Room for All

Bruce Harding

Listening for God's Word

A Time for All God's Children

(Following the story, the children are invited to go to Sunday School.)

Responsive Reading: Ruth 1: 1-18

Lay Reader: Bob Nelson

Anthem:

"Praise Rondo"
Chancel Choir

J. Antholz

Scripture Reading: Mark 12: 28-34

Lay Reader: Bob Nelson

Sermon:

Off the Beaten Path

Elizabeth Bryce

***Hymn: 649 VU**

Walk with Me

Glaser

Our Response

Offering

Offertory Music

"The Prayer of Our Lord"

M. Rozsa

Quartet: Jessyca Morgan, Carmen Harris, Noah Bragança, James Coole-Stevenson

*Offertory Response: 191 MV

**What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Life and Work of the Church

***Hymn: 691 VU**

Though Ancient Walls

Karr

*Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude:

Healing Pathway - a United Church ministry of hands-on healing:

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” (Matthew 18:20)

Healing Pathway follows in the Christian tradition of energy-based healing, laying on of hands, but it is open to all faiths.

It complements traditional medicine and health care by expediting the healing process and the natural ability of the body to heal itself.

A Healing Pathway session may:

- Provide comfort and spiritual support in times of stress
- Promote well-being on all levels: physical, emotional, mental and spiritual
- Facilitate healing before or after surgery
- Provide relief from pain

Healing Pathway practitioners invite God’s love and healing energies to flow through their hands for the highest good of the receiver. Their intention is to be fully present in God’s unconditional love to open the door for whatever healing is needed.

Short Healing Pathway sessions are offered most Sundays after the service in the chapel and 20-40 minute sessions are offered Thursday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., at Rideau Park, by appointment. Please contact: healingpathway@rideaupark.ca for more Information, or to make an appointment.



Thank you to Barbara Jeffries for her excellent organ music this morning.

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 unceded Algonquin land where this church is built.

Rideau Park News

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Upcoming Worship Events

Nov 11	Remembrance Day Sunday	10:00am
Nov 18	Youth and Young Adult Sunday	10:00am
Dec 2	Advent 1- Communion	10:00am

Honour your departed loved one by coming to the ***Our Hearts Remember Service, this afternoon at 2:30 p.m.*** where you can light a candle in their memory. You will be able to take the candle home with you. This half hour service is followed by tea and refreshments in the Parlour.

TODAY, NOVEMBER 4, IS FOOD BANK SUNDAY. Your contributions of canned or non-perishable food are gratefully received. Envelopes for donations to the Food Bank will be found in the Bulletins today. All funds and food will be given to the Heron Emergency Food Centre. The need is great and the Social Action/Outreach Committee very much appreciate your support.

Mini Bazaar! In the Parlour, Sunday, November 4, after the service: Don't forget! You may be able to pick up something you missed on November 3!

Christmas Pageant Sign-Up TODAY! Our annual Christmas Pageant will be held on **Sunday, December 16** this year at our 10:00 a.m. service. All children and young people are invited to participate in this traditional telling of the birth of our Saviour. Sign-up for all speaking and non-speaking parts and behind-the-scenes jobs will be held **TODAY** at the Sunday School counter. There are no auditions - everyone is welcome to participate. Rehearsals begin **next week**. For more information, please contact Andrea at 613-248-1283 or marcandrea@rogers.com.

Christmas Pageant Helpers Needed! Anyone who could volunteer time to help at rehearsals, help with costumes or assist with creating set pieces is asked to contact Andrea Laliberté at 613-248-1283 or marcandrea@rogers.com. High school students will be credited with volunteer hours for their assistance.

Please Note: Articles for publication in **Churchpost** must be sent to Nancy McPherson at: nmcpherson@rogers.com ***no later than noon TODAY, November 4.***

Grateful Thanks!! On behalf of everyone who worked so hard to contribute to the success of the Bazaar, thank you so much! Heather Ingrams and Judy Paré.



Tuesday, November 13 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Unit 7 will be hosting an evening with Pearls4Girls in the Parlour. Pearls4Girls was started in Ottawa and assists young women in Lesotho to obtain an education through the sale of pearl bracelets and necklaces. All proceeds from the sale goes to Pearls4Girls. The pearls are beautiful and there are many choices. Please come out and join us for an evening friendship, conversation and an opportunity to assist young women obtain an education. There will be delectable treats to go with your cup of tea.

Wednesdays, November 14, 21 and 28, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. First Contact: *Six Canadians Take an Extraordinary Journey through Indigenous Canada.* A series produced by the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network, filming six non-indigenous Canadians who take an educational journey, meeting with indigenous people across Canada and learning indigenous culture and history. We will meet in Brackenridge Hall at 11:00 a.m., watch the video, then discuss it over a brown bag lunch. Everybody welcome!

Friendship Harvest Lunch: Sunday November 25, at 11:30 a.m. in Beecroft Hall. Prepared by Chef Stephane Faulkner. Menu: Coq au Vin, mushroom rice pilaf and fruit crisp. **Tickets:** Adults \$10.00 each. Children 6-14 -\$5.00 each, (5 years and under eat free.) **Take out available.** *Pick up your tickets at coffee time after church in Beecroft on Sunday, November 11, or from the church office (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday). See you there!*

Annual Fall Roast Beef Dinner: Friday, November 30, with two sittings at either 5:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. Tickets are *\$18.00 for adults, and \$10.00 for children 6 to 12 years. (Children 5 years and under, eat free!)* You can purchase tickets **TODAY** at coffee time and after the coming services on Sundays, or at the church office, Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 613-733-3156 ex 229 for information. Come and enjoy some great company and conversation, and let us cook for you!



Ontario Youth Parliament (OYP) is meeting at Rideau Park February 15-19, 2019, Their cabinet and planning team will be with us on November 17 and 18 and they *still need billets for three delegates on the evening of November 17.* If you can help, further information can be found at oyp.on.ca/billeting or through email at billets@oyp.on.ca.

RPUC Website: Check out rideaupark.ca for all the latest church news and information on upcoming events and join us on Sunday morning for our live streaming service. This site is maintained by the office staff and volunteers. Please send comments or postings to: webmaster@rideaupark.ca.

Did you know? Each Sunday morning as the collection plate is passed around, while it may look bare, 198 members/families (over 82% of those making pledges) are actually contributing close to \$7,650, through PAR of the \$13,000 per week required to support the 3 major funds used by this church. So when the plate goes by, take time to reflect on what it takes to run our church and how your generosity can help make a difference. Thank you.

“The Sexual Misconduct and Prevention Response Policy and Procedures” directive has been posted on the bulletin board above the Duty Officer’s desk, outside of Beecroft Hall. This document is relevant for all of Rideau Park’s members, adherents and volunteers. The policy was updated by the United Church of Canada in July 2017 and involves anything that constitutes harassment, or is violent, or threatens violence. If you have any questions, please contact the M&P Chair, Carolyn Scollick, at 613-745-1798.

Peace of mind, lower blood pressure, greater calm in crisis, heightened mindfulness, greater intimacy with God... these are some benefits of meditation. Come join us for meditation from 9:10 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. Why not give meditation a try? If you would like to know more about meditation in the Christian tradition please visit: rideauparkspirituality.blogspot.ca or speak to Steve to learn more.

November 7 to November 17, “SYLVIA” is being presented at The Gladstone Theatre featuring Doreen Taylor-Claxton from Rideau Park. An excellent play about midlife crises, marriage, financial pressures, and a stray dog. You can purchase tickets by calling (613) 233-4523 or go online at <http://www.thegladstone.ca/sylvia/>.

Wednesday November 7, 7:00 p.m. The Centre for Holocaust Education and Scholarship (<https://carleton.ca/ches/>) will launch the *2018 Holocaust Education Month* with a keynote address delivered by Dr Michael Berenbaum, one of the founders of the U.S Holocaust Memorial Museum. Also performance by Niv Ashkenazy a virtuoso and classically trained student of Itzhak Perlman, will perform on a “Violin of Hope”, that was salvaged from the ashes of the Holocaust and lovingly restored by Amnon Weinstein in Israel. Free entrance, location: Kehillat Beth Israel, 1400 Coldrey Ave.

Tornado Relief Fundraising Concert: Stittsville United Church, (6255 Fernbank Rd.), **Saturday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.**, featuring local country singer and comedian Rory Gardiner. This will be a fun evening to raise money for disaster relief following the recent tornados in our area. Funds will be distributed through local groups in the West Carleton area, including Dunrobin and Kinburn. Cost: \$20 for adults. Children and students are free. Call 613-836-4962 for tickets or information.

Items for the new Rideau Park website calendar must include the date, duration, location of the event, a brief description and a contact person. As always, *please book the space* with Debby Gerro *first*.

Activities Calendar: November 4 - November 10		
<u>Sunday:</u>		
Meditation	9:10am	B-9
Sunday Service	10:00am	Sanctuary
Our Hearts Remember	2:30pm	Sanctuary
Drumming	11:30am	B13
<u>Monday:</u>		
Knitting	12:30pm	Parlour
Ringing Praise	6:30pm	Sanctuary
Touch of Brass	7:15pm	Sanctuary
<u>Tuesday:</u>		
50+ Fitness	9:00am	Beecroft
La Bell Ensemble	7:15pm	Sanctuary
<u>Wednesday:</u>		
Gentle Yoga	5:30pm	Parlour
Worship and Music	7:00pm	Parlour
<u>Thursday:</u>		
50+ Fitness	9:00pm	Beecroft
Quilting	9:30am	Parlour
Euchre	1:00pm	Parlour
Unit 2	1:00pm	B. Kitchen
Healing Pathway	1:00pm	B-9
HearSay	5:45pm	Beecroft
KinderPraise	6:15pm	B-13
Joyful Noise 2	6:15pm	B-12
Note-Able Sound Chimes	6:15pm	Sanctuary
Joyful Noise 1	6:45pm	B-12
Grace Notes	6:45pm	Sanctuary
Chancel Choir	7:30pm	Sanctuary
<u>Friday:</u>		
Morning Yoga	9:00am	Parlour
Chair Yoga	10:30am	Parlour
<u>Saturday:</u>		
<u>Sunday:</u>		

Coffee Hour Volunteers	
Nov 4	Shailja Verma Glenys Pike Doug & Elaine Robertson
Nov 11	Gretchen Conrad Mark Shulist and Merina, Devon & Rigel
Nov 18	Heather & Wayne Bennett Mary Lynne & Jim Holton Christel Kurz
Sunday Duty Officers	
Nov 4	Sandra Graham
Nov 11	Diane Keevil Harold
Nov 18	Anne Moore
Counting Volunteers	
Nov 5	Susan Vaughan
Nov 12	Lois Jensen
Nov 19	Christel Kurz
Main Office is open Monday to Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm	
Visit our website: rideaupark.ca	
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