

Sunday, April 7, 2019
LENT 5



Dedication of the Good Shepherd Window

Rideau Park United Church

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.

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We Gather Together

Gathering Music:

Words to contemplate as we gather for worship...

From: "Called to Become" – By Edwina Gately

You are called to become

A perfect creation.

No other is called to become who you are called to be.

It does not matter how short or tall

or thick-set or slow you may be.

It does not matter whether you sparkle with life

or are as silent as a still pool.

Whether you sing your song aloud or weep alone in darkness.

It does not matter whether you feel loved and admired

or unloved and alone, for you are called to become

a perfect creation.

No one's shadow should cloud your becoming.

No one's light should dispel your spark.

For the Lord delights in you.

And encourages with gentle joy

every movement of the Spirit

Within you.

Lighting of the Chancel Candles: Psalm 43:3 – *O send out your light and your truth;
let them lead me...*

***Call to Worship:**

One: This is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.

**All: It is the place where God reaches down
into the corners of our lives,**

to offer us the mystery of holy love.

One: This is no ordinary gathering.

All: This is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.

Processional Hymn: 415 VU God, We Praise You for the Morning (verses 1 to 5) Dickey

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

Listening to God's Word

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Lighting of the Christ Candle

Words of Introduction

Scripture: John 10: 11-16

Elizabeth Bryce

Presentation and Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: God of the whole human family,
we thank you for all that was beautiful and good
in the lives commemorated and honoured today;
and of all who gather in the name of Jesus.
Creator God, source of all inspiration and beauty,
we thank you for the gift of this window
now dedicated to the glory of your name.

**All: May your Holy Spirit guide us
in reverent and loving use of all things,
remembering always your great gift to us,
Jesus Christ, your Son, our Saviour. Amen.**

Hymn: 747 VU The Lord is My Shepherd Crimond
(following the hymn the children are invited to go out to their Sunday School classes)

Scripture reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21

Lay Reader: Nadine Dawson

Anthem: "Sanctuary" arr. L. Larson
Chancel Choir

Scripture reading: John 12: 1-11 Lay Reader: Nadine Dawson

Sermon: "Indicative or Imperative " Steve Clifton

Hymn: 135 MV **Called by Earth and Sky** Pat Mayberry

OUR RESPONSE

Offering

Offertory Music: "My Shepherd became a Lamb" Hausch, Cox and McCall

Soloist: Iain Macpherson

*Offertory Response: 191 VU **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: 266 VU** **Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound** Amazing Grace

Commissioning and Benediction

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.

Rideau Park News

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Upcoming Worship Events

April 10	Lenten Evening Retreat	7:15pm
April 17	Lenten Evening Retreat	7:15pm
April 18	Maundy Thursday Service	7:15pm

Voices of Rideau Park II Concert, TODAY, at 2:30 p.m. Enjoy performances by current and former soloists, and members of Rideau Park's Chancel Choir. Reception to follow. Freewill contribution. All are invited. Please join us!



REMINDER: UCW Easter MEMORIALS: THE DEADLINE TO ORDER IS TODAY!!!

On Easter Sunday the Sanctuary is filled with flowers. All are placed there in remembrance of a loved one. Anyone who wishes may place an Easter memorial in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday morning. Cheques should be made payable to *Rideau Park UCW*. **UCW EASTER FLOWER DELIVERY, after Easter:** The Pastoral Care team, members of the UCW and friends deliver all the flowers to over 80 members of our congregation. If you would like to order memorial flowers OR if you are able to help deliver flowers on Easter Sunday, please email: Mabel Bannerman at 613-731-5865 or jamban@sympatico.ca or Judy Paré at judy2006@sympatico.ca or 613-523-0098. Thank you.

Funding Available from the Rideau Park Foundation Fund for Ministry - Applications are now being received for new project funding from the Rideau Park Foundation. Projects eligible for Foundation funds include those which involve experimenting with new or new approaches to ministry, outreach in our community, leadership development, special projects, and property renewal projects. Foundation funds are not intended to meet ongoing operational requirements of current projects/programs. Any member or long-term adherent of Rideau Park United Church may apply, but applications must be sponsored by a committee of the church who will oversee the finances of the project. Approximately \$3,150 is available for disbursement in 2019. **Applications are due by April 15, 2019** and should be submitted to the Chair of Council, Patricia Whitridge, council@rideaupark.ca. Applications may be submitted electronically or in paper form. For more information on the application process and application forms, please see the church website at www.rideaupark.ca and click *Documents*, scroll to *Guidelines for Operation of the Foundation, Applications Guidelines, Letter to Applicants and on next page Application Form*. Please note that funds will not be disbursed until after Council makes decisions on the applications at its April 24 meeting.

Wednesday, April 10 and 17 at 7:15 p.m. – Lenten Evening Retreat series on Spiritual disciplines: from a unique UCC perspective.

Thursday, April 18: Holy Thursday: Starting at 5:45 p.m. Join us for Seder Supper, a family oriented potluck meal and re-telling of the Passover supper, the Jewish tradition that Jesus celebrated. Sign up in the upper hallway.

Maundy Thursday service at 7:15 p.m. (following the Seder Supper), marking the final commandment of Jesus with his friends, and the communion they shared.

Sunday, April 21: Easter Sunday:

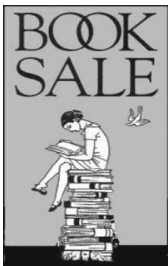
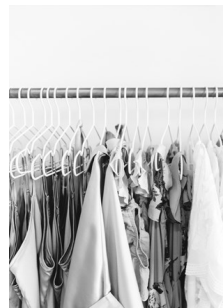
7:00 a.m. – Sunrise Service: We gather at Grasshopper Hill in Kilborn Park for a brief service to greet Easter morning and then back to the church for breakfast.

10:00 a.m. – Easter Worship: With bells and brass, we celebrate the resurrection story.

Harmony Club for Seniors 60+ meets on Wed. April 24. From 1-2pm, listen to retired registered nurse, Pat Trites speak about, "What Kind of Work Did You Do, Nana?" All seniors are welcome.

NEARLY NEW SALE!

Friday, April 26 (6 - 8:30pm) and Saturday, April 27 (9 - 11:30am) RPUC will happily receive gently used clothes, household linens, sewing/knitting materials and toys for the sale. Please no winter coats or boots. Items for sale may be brought to the church during the day and evening of Thursday, April 25 and during the day of Friday, April 26 until noon. Thank you to everyone who helps out! Please contact Nancy McPherson at 613-737-7339 for more information.



ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE!

Friday, April 26 (6:00 - 8:30 p.m.) and Saturday, April 27 (9:00 - 11:30 a.m.) Please save your good used books and bring them to the church on **Thursday, April 25. No Reader's Digests, encyclopedias, or National Geographics, please.** If you would like to HELP SORT BOOKS Thursday and Friday from **10:00 a.m. to noon and 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.** Please contact Judy Paré at 613-523-0098 for more information.

Forty Items - Forty Days: *Wednesday, March 6 is the first day of Lent*, the time in the Christian year when we reflect on how to live more faithfully. In our consumer society, when we are pressured to buy more, one Christian alternative is *learning to live with less*. Each day of Lent, you are challenged to take a piece of gently used clothing out of your closet, or a book off your shelves, and place the clothing in a garbage bag (find a box for books!). After the Easter weekend, **bring them to Rideau Park on April 25** as donations for our **Nearly New and Book Sale, April 26-27**. Thank you!

The Heron Emergency Food Centre (HEFC) will be holding its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on **April 16, at 7:00 p.m.**, at 1480 Heron Road, 3rd floor Auditorium. All are welcome.

An invitation to seniors to join us at Rideau Park, in the sanctuary, for a special service, including communion, on **Sunday, April 28, at 3:00 p.m.** followed by tea and delicious baking afterwards. A good time to see old friends! **We provide transportation if needed for this event, so please let Georgina Fitzgerald know if you wish to attend, and if you need a ride.** You can

Bereavement Group at St Thomas the Apostle Anglican church, 2345 Alta Vista Dr. This bereavement group will meet *four Saturday afternoons* from 2:00-4:00 p.m.: **April 27, May 4, May 11 and May 25.** The purpose of the group will be to learn about grieving the loss of a family member and to share our experiences of grief in a faith based environment. The group will be facilitated by Rita Myres (MSW, RSW) who has led grief seminars in both secular organizations and in area churches. For further information and to tell us you will be attending contact Wayne Kauk at w.kauk@sympatico.ca.

Register now for Camp Awesome 2019, August 19 - 23: This Christian day camp program at the church serves children aged 4 -12. Led by trained staff, activities include games, crafts, drama, singing, water fun and learning about important topics. The Camp runs each day from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Children bring their lunch. Cost per camper is \$80.00 if you register by June 16, and \$90.00 after. Optional childcare is available each day before and after the Camp for a fee. To register online, click Camp Awesome on the home page of www.rideaupark.ca.



The "Bells In Spring" Concert: Sunday, May 5, at 7:00 p.m: Our annual Massed Handbell Concert will feature guest bell ringing ensembles from three other Ottawa churches, and the **five handbell and chimes choirs of Rideau Park!** An evening not to be missed. Freewill offering.

Gentle Yoga, Spring Session - 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 3 - May 29, AND/OR 9:00 a.m., Friday, April 5 - May 31, a gentle flow mat class. **Chair Yoga is also offered on Friday, 10:30am, April 5 - May 31.** More info & fees, Lynda Spalding, 613-422-3565 or 4livingyoga@gmail.com

Every ten years the German town of Oberammergau stages the Passion Play. Rev. Kim Vidal is hosting a tour which will also include Berlin, Prague and Munich. **Date: July 31-August 13, 2020.** Ask Georgina for a brochure or check the Rostad Tours website.

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.*** Please join us for refreshments and conversation in Beecroft Hall after the service. Newcomers are invited to take a blue mug and to please approach the Welcome Duty people for friendly church information.



Activities Calendar: April 7 – April 12

Sunday

Sunday Service	10:00am	Sanctuary
Coffee Time	11:15am	Beecroft
BAKE SALE!	11:15am	Beecroft
Drumming	11:30am	B-13

Monday:

Knitting	12:30pm	Parlour
Unit 10	1:00pm	Parlour
Ringin' Praise	6:30pm	Sanctuary
Touch of Brass	7:15pm	Sanctuary

Tuesday:

50+ Fitness	9:00am	Beecroft
Unit 7	1:30pm	Parlour
Implementation Team	7:00pm	Balcony
La Bell Ensemble	7:15pm	Sanctuary

Wednesday:

Gentle Yoga	5:30pm	Beecroft
Stewards	7:00pm	B-13
Lenten Retreat	7:15pm	Parlour

Thursday:

50+ Fitness	9:00pm	Beecroft
Quilting	9:30am	Parlour
Healing Pathway	12:30pm	B-9
Euchre	1:00pm	Parlour
Unit 2	1:00pm	B. Kitchen
HearSay	5:45pm	Beecroft
Joyful Noise 2	6:15pm	B-12
Noteable Sound Chimes	6:15pm	Sanctuary
Cherubs	6:15pm	B-13
Joyful Noise 1	6:45pm	B-12
Grace Notes	6:45pm	Sanctuary

Coffee Hour Volunteers

Apr 7	Karen Humphries & Rob Blake Nancy McPherson Beth Campbell-Keays
Apr 14	Christel Kurz Wayne & Janet Bond Helen Beck

Sunday Duty Officers

April 7	Elaine Robertson
Apr 14	Nancy Begg-Durkee
Apr 21	Anne Moore

Counting Volunteers

Apr 8	Mark Inman
Apr 15	Bob Roden
Apr 24	John Scollick

Regular Office hours: Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm

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