

Rideau Park United Church



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WE GATHER TOGETHER

Gathering Music

Lighting the Chancel Candles: Philippians 1: 6 -The Message

"There has never been the slightest doubt in my mind that the God who started this great work in you would keep at it and bring it to a flourishing finish..."

*Call to Worship:

One: With the pressing crowds, searching for healing and hope,

All: We wish to see Jesus.

One: With the pushed out and cast aside, with the lonely lost, stripped of pride,

All: We wish to see Jesus.

One: With those who seek mystery and meaning, wisdom and grace,

All: We wish to see Jesus.

One: May Christ be made known among us this day.

**All: In word, prayer and in song, in community gathered, friend and stranger,
may we know Jesus here this day.**

*Hymn: 415 VU

God, We Praise You for the Morning

Qing-Chen

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

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Teach me Your ways, Lord,
that I may come down from my heights
and be open to the same Spirit
who moved over the face of the waters in the first day of creation
and moves also over the chaos of this time.

Teach me Your ways, Lord,
that I may praise You
for all the surprising, ingenious ways You bless me,
and for all the wondrous gifts You give me,
And make me aware of the miracles of life,
in which I am kept.

Teach me Your ways, Lord,
that I may love Your kindness and practice it always.
Teach me Your ways, Lord,
so that my heart is flooded with Your mercy—
so that it beats more in rhythm with You.
(a time of silent reflection)

Words of Assurance

Hymn 82 MV

Bathe Me in Your Light

Mary Louise Bringle

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

A Time for All God’s Children: Blessing of Prayer Shawls and blankets for the Multifaith Housing Initiative’s Veteran House.

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

Responsive reading: Psalm 32 – 759VU

Lay Reader: Joanne Rogers

Anthem:

“Sheep May Safely Graze”
Chancel Choir

J.S Bach (OBEFA)

Scripture reading: Luke 19:1-10

Lay Reader: Joanne Rogers

Sermon:

“Vindication”

Steve Clifton

***Hymn: 562 VU**

Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

OUR RESPONSE

Offering

Offertory Music:

“Be Thou my Vision”

arr. R. Walters

Soloist:

Iain Macpherson

*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: 582 VU

There's a Spirit in the Air

Lauds

Commissioning and Benediction



***Don't forget to turn your clocks back! This is also a Food Bank Sunday,
Christmas pageant sign up and Mini Bazaar.***

We acknowledge, with respect the history, spirituality, and culture of the indigenous peoples of Canada, and their stewardship of the unceded Algonquin land where this church is built. Rideau Park is an Affirming Congregation in the United Church of Canada. All are invited to participate fully, with mutual respect, in the life and work of the church, including those of diverse ages, abilities, gender identities and sexual orientations, races ethnicities, religions, and economic backgrounds.

Rideau Park News

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Upcoming Worship Events

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| Nov 10 | Remembrance Sunday | 10:00am |
| Nov 17 | Youth and Youth Adults Sunday | 10:00am |
| Nov 17 | Healing Prayer Service | 7:00pm |

Come to the Fall Congregational Meeting - TODAY, at 11:30 a.m. in the Parlour: This is an opportunity to learn about our Strategic Planning exercise as well as hear an update from the Strategic Review Implementation Team. Bring your coffee and come join us in the Parlour.

We appreciate your contribution of non-perishable food donations today. HEFC envelopes are available in your bulletins today or the entrance to the sanctuary. Thank you from Social Action/Outreach.

Our 20th annual Christmas Pageant will be held on **Sunday, December 15** 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 following the service, in the upper hallway.** Information and rehearsal schedules can be found on the Sunday School counter (across from the parlour upstairs). There are no auditions - everyone is welcome to participate. **Rehearsals begin November 10.** For more information, please contact Andrea at 613-248-1283 or email her at: marcandrea@rogers.com

Many thanks to all the hard-working volunteers who made this year's Bazaar enjoyable and successful! Sincerely, Nancy McPherson.

Tuesday, November 5 and 12, 6:45-8:00 p.m. – The Big Questions: a web-based study series on 3 persistent questions for the Christian community: the problem of Evil, questioning the Trinity and what does it mean for Jesus to be Incarnate? Everyone welcome.

Our Hearts Remember Service, Sunday, November 10 at 2:30 p.m. A quiet, reflective time to remember loved ones who are no longer with us. As part of the service there is an opportunity to light a candle in honour of your loved one and take it home with you. Refreshments will be served in the Parlour following the service.

Deadline for ChurchPost submissions is **Friday, November 8 at noon.** Please email material to nmcpherson@rogers.com. Thanks!

Harmony Club for Seniors (60+) will meet on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m., as members begin to gather. The annual fee is \$4.00. At 12:00 noon, a delicious lunch will be served by volunteers (cost is \$6.00). From 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. there will be a presentation by MCpl Chris Kelly, a volunteer with the Memory Project of Heritage Canada, speaking on a Remembrance Day theme. Please spread the word that presentations are open to all, without charge or prior notice. *For anyone who is not a member to join us for lunch, registration is required by calling Carolyn Scollick, 613 745-1798, no later than Wednesday, November 6.* Please plan to join us again on December 04, 2019.

Newcomers Lunch: If you're new to Rideau Park in the past couple of years, please join us in the Parlour for a light lunch after the service on **November 17**. We'd like to get to know you better. RSVP to Georgina at 613 737-3808 or gfitzgerald@rideaupark.ca.

Service of healing prayer: Our Healing Pathway ministry is offering a liturgy of healing prayer. Like the service offered in Lent last spring, those gathered will join in song and quiet reflection and healing prayer will be offered – in the sanctuary on **Sunday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.**

Upon the recommendation from the Search Committee, Council voted in favour of offering the custodial job to **Geoff Scollick**, who has accepted this position. He began working last Monday with Paul. Welcome and best wishes, Geoff. To avoid a potential conflict of interest, Carolyn Scollick, Chair of the M&P Committee, and John Scollick, Chair of the Stewards Committee, were not involved in the process.

Christmas Pageant 20th Anniversary Slide Show!!! To help us celebrate 20 years of Christmas Pageants, everyone is invited to submit their favourite Pageant photos. We will be creating a slide show that will be viewed leading up to the Pageant and during the offertory during the Pageant itself. Digital images can be sent to Andrea directly at marcandrea@rogers.com. If you would like to submit a physical photo to Andrea, please note your name and contact info on the back so Andrea can return it to you.

Healing Pathway: Full sessions are offered most **Thursdays, by appointment between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., and once a month on Sunday evening between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.** To book an appointment, please email healingpathway@rideaupark.ca, or speak to Sharon Sanderson or Brian Neal. Healing prayer is also offered in the Chapel, immediately following the service, most Sundays of the month. No appointment is needed for these shorter, 3-5 minute sessions.

RPUC Website: Go to rideaupark.ca for all the latest church news and information on upcoming events, and join us on Sunday mornings for our live streaming service. This site is maintained by the office staff and volunteers.

Healing Pathway Phase 1 training is being offered **November 8 and 9** at Glen Cairn United Church: An introduction to the basic concepts of Christian-centered healing; through prayer, meditation and the laying on of hands, to reclaim the healing ministry that Jesus taught. If you would like to know more speak to Sharon Sanderson or email healingpathway@rideaupark.ca

November 16, 2019, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **The Ottawa Council of Women** presents guest speaker Qajaq Robinson, former **commissioner of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls**. Sandy Hill Community Centre, 250 Somerset St E.

Fellowship Harvest Luncheon, Sunday, November 24: Come Join Us at for Lunch on Sunday, November 24 at 11:30 a.m. The menu is: Cup of Soup; Quiche; Green Salad; Apple Cake; Coffee and Tea. Tickets are \$10 per person and will be available during coffee hour or from the Church office. Proceeds will go to Rideau Park's Refugee Fund.

Drums Alive is a weekly, drop-in drumming class, open to people of all ages at 11:30 a.m. At this time, there is no cost to the class, you can join at anytime. Class dates are posted to the Rideau Park website. If you have any questions or wish to join, please call Iain Macpherson at 613-733-3156, ext 301, or email choirdirector@rideaupark.ca.



Rendezvous 2020: The UCC's triennial youth and young adult national gathering will be held in Calgary next summer, from August 11 to 14. Rendezvous is for young people age 14 and up and it is really a great experience. **Young people interested in knowing more are invited to an information meeting in the Parlour after the Sunday service on November 17.** Questions? Speak to Steve or Elizabeth.

Come and travel with Rev. Kim for 14 days, July 31 – August 13, 2020, and experience the world-renowned **Oberammergau Passion Play** presented every 10 years. *Tour includes visits to Frankfurt, Wittenberg, Berlin, Potsdam, Nuremberg, Munich and a two-day trip to Prague.* Early bird discount of \$300.00 applies until November 15, 2019. For more information, contact Rev. Kim Vidal kim.vidal@gmail.com) or pick up a brochure on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs.

Yes, we're on Facebook! And Instagram! If you are on social media, why not join the *Rideau Park United Church Facebook group*. It's a great way to share news and to connect with people. Here is the Instagram link: <https://www.instagram.com/rideauparkunitedottawa/>

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.***

| Activities Calendar: Nov 3 – Nov 5 | | | Coffee Hour Volunteer | |
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| <u>Sunday:</u> | | | Nov 3 | Kim & Jeff, Caitlin, Kieran & Grace Allo |
| Meditation | 9:10am | B-9 | | |
| Sunday Service | 10:00am | Sanctuary | | |
| Congregation Meet. | 11:30am | Parlour | | |
| Mini-Bazaar | 11:30am | Beecroft | | |
| <u>Monday:</u> | | | Nov 10 | Karin Ott & Bruce Dixon Bob & Margo Roden |
| Knitting | 12:30pm | Parlour | | |
| Ringling Praise | 6:30pm | Sanctuary | | |
| Touch of Brass | 7:15pm | Sanctuary | | |
| <u>Tues:</u> | | | Nov 17 | Christel Kurz Kathy Comfort Pat Whitridge & Pierre Quesnel |
| 50+ Fitness | 9:00am | Beecroft | | |
| “The Big Question” | 6:30pm | Parlour | | |
| <u>Wednesday:</u> | | | Sunday Duty Officers | |
| Worship/Music | 7:30pm | Parlour | Nov 3 | Beth Campbell-Keays |
| Tai Chi | 4:00pm | B-12 | Nov 10 | Anne Moore |
| Gentle Yoga | 5:30pm | B-12 | Nov 17 | Mary Lynn Holton |
| <u>Thursday:</u> | | | Counting Volunteers | |
| 50+ Fitness | 9:00am | Beecroft | Nov 4 | Susan Vaughan |
| Quilters | 9:30am | Parlour | Nov 11 | Lois Jensen |
| Healing Pathway | 1:00pm | B-9 | Nov 18 | Christel Kurz |
| Euchre | 1:00pm | Parlour | Main Office is open Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm Visit our website: rideaupark.ca Prayer Chain: Ext 227 or prayerchain@rideaupark.ca | |
| HearSay | 5:45pm | Beecroft | | |
| Teen Choir | 6:15pm | B-12 | | |
| NoteAble Sound Chimes | 6:45pm | Sanctuary | | |
| Cherubs | 6:45pm | B-12 | | |
| Joyful Noise | 6:45pm | B-12 | | |
| Grace Notes | 6:45pm | Sanctuary | | |
| Chancel Choir | 7:30pm | Sanctuary | | |
| <u>Friday:</u> | | | | |
| Morning Yoga | 9:30am | Parlour | | |
| Chair Yoga | 11:00am | Parlour | | |
| <u>Saturday:</u> | | | | |

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