

Activities Calendar December 15 - 21

Sun:

Meditation
Children's Pageant

9:10am
10:00am

B-9
Sanctuary

Mon:

Circle
Knitting
Touch of Brass

9:30am
12:30pm
7:15pm

Parlour
Parlour
Sanctuary

Tues:

Wed:

Tai Chi
Gentle Yoga

4:00pm
5:30pm

B-12
B-13

Thurs:

Quilters
Euchre
Chancel Choir

9:30am
1:00pm
7:30pm

Parlour
Parlour
Sanctuary

Fri:

Gentle Yoga
Christmas C. Pack.
Chair Yoga
C. Cheer Deliveries

9:30am
10:00am
11:00am
12:30pm

Parlour
Beecroft
Parlour



Coffee Hour Volunteers

December 15

Christie Harris
Mary & Keith Harris
Doug & Elaine Robertson

December 22

Pat & Gavin Currie
Heather & Wayne Bennett

December 29

Joanne Rodgers & Ron
MacPherson, Nancy McPherson

Sunday Duty Officers

December 15

Susan Klimowicz

December 22

Judy Paré

December 29

Sandra Graham

Counting Volunteers

December 16

Garry Lindberg

December 23

Rod Hagglund

December 27

Barbara & Cameron Jeffrey,
Ron MacPherson, Mark Inman,
John Durkee, Pat Whitridge

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RIDEAU PARK UNITED CHURCH

Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 15, 2019



Advent 3—JOY

Compiled, edited and written using "Biblical Christmas Performances" (compiled by Rebecca Daniels), "Christmas Promise" and "A Very Opinionated Christmas Tree" (by Abingdon Press), "Promise of A Saviour" (by Sara T. Bredesen), "Come, Lord Jesus" (by Carol D. Shuh), "A Christmas News Broadcast" (by Alan J. Lewis & Adele Eley), "The Twelve Plays of Christmas" by Martha Bolton, The Holy Bible (KJV), the Max Lucado Inspirational Study Bible (NKJV), the Student Study Bible (NIV) and original material by Rod Hagglund, Andrea Laliberté and Wendy Tarry.

Prelude

Welcome

Andrea Laliberté

Life and Work of the Congregation

Call to Worship Led by: Sydney LeClair

(Adapted from “Echo Praise” by: Patty Medill)

- One: Hear the promise of a King; Listen to the angels sing, Call Him Jesus!
All: **Call Him Jesus!**
- One: See proud Joseph stand and smile; Mary wants to watch awhile, Baby Jesus!
All: **Baby Jesus!**
- One: Smell the hay that blessed morn, Helping keep the Saviour warm, In a manger!
All: **In a manger!**
- One: Touch the lamb as white as snow, Brought by shepherds meek and low, Sent by angels!
All: **Sent by angels!**
- One: Taste the spices rich and sweet, Laid in wonder at His feet. Wise men worship!
All: **Wise men worship!**
- One: See us raise our hearts and hands, Wise ones still throughout the lands, Worship Jesus!
All: **Worship Jesus!**
- One: Let us praise Him!
All: **Let us praise Him!**

TREASURER’S NOTE: Christmas is a time to give thanks for the blessings that we have. As we approach the year’s end, an additional three to four weeks extra givings from everyone in the Congregation directed to the Rideau Park Ministries and Program Fund will help the Church continue to provide needed services and support to those within our community, both now and for the coming year. Please give generously. Thank you.
Bob Roden-Treasurer

Unit 2 will be meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9 in the Bea’s kitchen.

Wednesday, January 10: Tai Chi: (new!) Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and Wednesdays at 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Gentle Yoga: Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m- 6:00 p.m., starting January 22, with Yuko (Drop in- \$8.00). For more info, email Yuko at: yukoswonder@gmail.com.
-OR-
Gentle Yoga Fridays, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., and Chair Yoga, and 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. starting January 10. (Drop-in fee \$8.00). For more info, email Marg at: mhillier144@gmail.com

Sunday, January 13, 2020, at 10:00 a.m: we will be celebrating the light that has come into the world through the holy season, and honouring the new executive for our UCW.

Help us keep our building clean during the winter months. Please everyone remove your boots when entering the church so that salt does not get tracked past the entranceways. Bring a pair of shoes, slippers, or warm socks for your feet. Please remember, no boots upstairs either. Thanks for your co-operation. If everyone would do this it would save so much work!



You may be aware that Councillor McKenney this week presented a notice of motion calling for an **affordable housing and homelessness emergency** to be declared in Ottawa. A copy of the original petition to City Council and **a citizens petition which you can sign in support** are available on the green “Help Wanted” bulletin board in the upper hallway. Also advance notice that a rally of support will be held **Jan 29th. at 9:00 am at Marion Dewar Place at City Hall.**

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES – There has been a tremendous response to this year’s Christmas Shoe Box program in support of the women and children living at Minwaashin women’s shelter and the wonderful children and youth who use the services of the Banff Avenue Community House. Thank you to everyone who has participated! ***Completed shoe boxes can still be returned today!*** The **140** beautifully wrapped and generously filled shoe boxes will be picked up by our community partners on the morning of Tuesday, December 17.



Thank you, thank you, thank you! The Christmas Bell concert raised \$1580.55 which was split between Christmas Cheer and Heron Emergency Food Centre and the Christmas Choir raised \$2074.35 for Christmas Cheer!

Do you have a story from a Christmas past, a memorable Christmas event to share? A tradition from the past to recall? On **Sunday, December 22, Advent 4** we would invite those with a story to tell to share their memory in the Sunday service. If you have something to share, please let us know.

Blue Christmas: Please join us at **3:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 22**, for the gentle Blue Christmas service. A quiet, contemplative service; an alternative to traditional services. Maybe your year has been hard – for whatever reason (bereavement, illness, estrangement, loss of income, loneliness or worry)– and Christmas seems to highlight the difficulties. Or maybe in an over busy life, you just want space to reflect, recall, regroup.

The office will be closed between **Tuesday, December 31, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. and Thursday, January 2, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** **OUR ADMINISTRATOR, DEBI BROWN, WILL BE IN THE OFFICE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27 FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M. TO RECEIVE ANY YEAR END DONATIONS.** This time off for our staff is in addition to their regular vacation time and is a thank you for all they do for us during the year.



SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 at 11:30 a.m. You are cordially invited to join us for **“Books and Bagels”** on **Sunday, December 29**, following the service. Our very own, Andrew Rader, will speak about his newly released book, **“Beyond the Known”**. The author will be combining his passion for aerospace with his love of history. The book traces human civilization in its quest to explore and grow and why we need to continue this trajectory into space. Following a Q&A the author will be pleased to sign your book. A sign-up sheet is available at coffee hour to help plan for refreshments.

50+ Fitness is starting up again on Tuesday, January 7, 2020. Come join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Cost is \$60.00 for 20 classes.



Lighting of the Candle for Advent

Candlelighters: Jennifer Cruz, Jonathan Stairs, Bethany Pye & Families

Group: Who do you say Jesus is?

One: If I was a sunflower, I would see Jesus like the sun, to wards whom I always turn for energy and strength.

Two: To an athlete, Jesus is a great coach who offers leadership, correction and encouragement.

Three: We wait for Jesus, the bright morning star, who brings joy with his rising.

All: We wait for Jesus

(Lighting of the Pink Advent Candle)

Advent Song: 6 VU “A Candle Is Burning” (verse 3)

(Please Stand)



ACT 1 – A “SUPER” CHRISTMAS

By: Andrea Laliberté

Captain Christmas: Hailey Laliberté; **Sibling:** Anna Kurz; **Greed Girl:** Mia Kurz; **Doctor Disconnect:** Adam Bethune; **Voice-Over:** Sydney Laliberté;
Sleepover Kids: Kate Benn, Tosca Juyal-Bozza, Grace Lockhart;
Movie Kids: Nancy Sherman-Strome, Allyson Hopkin, Madeleine Boyd, Natalie Boyd, Danielle Turcotte

ACT 2 - THE PAGEANT

Narrator: Danielle Turcotte
Wendy Friendly: Sydney Laliberté
Anderson Snooper: Grace Lockhart



Scene 1- An Angel appears to Mary

Prophet: Meado Adlard; **Angel Gabriel:** Violet Adlard; **Mary:** Jessica Roebuck
Joseph: Alexander Turcotte; **Zechariah:** Derek Lagace;
Elizabeth: Chelsea Roebuck.

Hymn: “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” #2 VU
(Please Stand) **Verses 1,3**

Scene 2 - The Road to Bethlehem

Jacob: Kate Benn; **Sarah:** Lacey Adlard; **Yoshi:** Claire Benn;
Soldier: Alexander Kurz; **Extras:** Derek Lagace, Chelsea Roebuck, Percy Fowkes, Juby Boyd; **Mary; Joseph; Prophet.**



Rideau Park News



Upcoming Worship Events

Sunday, December 22	Blue Christmas	3:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 24	Christmas Eve Family Service	6:30 p.m.
	Candlelight Communion	8:30 p.m.
	Candlelight Communion	10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 25	Christmas Day Service	10:00 a.m.

The Christmas Nativity - Week 3: As we journey through Advent together, please take time to look at our Nativity scene at the front of the church. Each week, one or more different scenes will be on display as the Advent Liturgy unfolds and we travel to Bethlehem and beyond. In honour of the Pageant, this week’s display celebrates a favourite of children: nativities that fit together and come apart again in some way. They vary from nesting or “Matriochka” dolls to delicately carved wood cutouts to a standard-style wooden jigsaw puzzle.



Christmas Season Services

Christmas Eve Tuesday, December 24:

6:30 p.m. A Family Christmas service featuring our *children youth choirs, chimes and bells with Note-able Sound Chimes and Grace Notes.*

8:30 p.m. Christmas Candlelight Communion with music by Rideau Park's Chancel Choir, Touch of Brass bell choir and soloists.

10:30 p.m. Christmas Candlelight Communion with the Chancel Choir, Touch of Brass bell choir and soloists.

Shared Service Sunday, January 5, 2020

10:00 a.m. at *Emmanuel United Church*, at 691 Smyth Rd, Ottawa ON K1G 1N7. Rideau Park will be closed, so DO come and see us with our Church neighbours as we mark the turning of the year.

Christmas Cheer happens THIS COMING THURSDAY and FRIDAY! We are now over 2/3 of the way to our target goal of \$15,000. Thank you to all who have so generously supported this important community project. We are almost ready. ***We still need people*** - 5 to move bags to the elevator, someone to help run the elevator, and 2 more drivers and 13 helpers to deliver the hampers. Please check the bulletin board outside the Parlour for times and full particulars. Can YOU help? For more information please call Debi Brown through the church office, or Gretchen Conrad at 613-744-7344. Thank you.

Rehearsal/Chapel Helpers

Adam Bethune
Erin Brunet-Decaire
Chloée Detchou
Linda Hagglund
Rod Hagglund
Heather Ingrams
Carolynn Kelman
Anna Kurz
Diane Lagace
Hailey Laliberté
Marc Laliberté
Merina Shulist

Bulletin

Andrea Laliberté
Debby Gerro

Pageant Director

Andrea Laliberté

Costumes & Make Up

Gaveen Cadotte
Gretchen Conrad
Line Detchou
Abbey Fraser
Linda Hagglund
Rod Hagglund
Andrea Laliberté
Marc Laliberté
Jennifer O'Neill
Joann Roebuck
Merina Shulist

Props

Linda Hagglund
Marc Laliberté

Catering

Line Detchou
Linda Hagglund
Jennifer Wenzel

Stage Set-Up/Take-Down

Linda Hagglund
Rod Hagglund
Brian Hamilton
Andrea Laliberté
Marc Laliberté
Chris LeClair
Kim LeClair
Madison LeClair
Sydney LeClair
Tara Lockhart



It is our sincere hope and prayer that the offering of our time and our talents has been a blessing to you. May all of us be reminded of the wonderful gift we have received through the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Thank you to everyone who so willingly gave of their time to make this Pageant fun, spiritually uplifting and full of fellowship.



Hymn: 64 VU

(Seated)

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Verse 1



Scene 3 - The Inn

Innkeepers: Nancy Sherman-Strome, Derek Lagace,
Chelsea Roebuck; **Mary; Joseph.**

Hymn: 69 VU

(Please Stand)

“Away in a Manger”



Scene 4 - Peaceable Kingdom

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Manger Animals: *Wolves*– Avery Pye, Malcolm McGraw; *Sheep*– Dean Charron, Nate Geelen, Simon Hicks, Tosca Juyal-Bozza, Carter Merriman, Jack Merriman;
Lion— Rye Grandy; *Cows*: Sam DeCaire, Julia Robinson, Nathan Robinson;
Bears— Gavin Neal, Korbin Neal, Johnathan Sabeau;
Donkey– Oliver Hicks, Sarah Hicks; **Mary; Joseph; Prophet.**

Hymn: 56 VU

(Please Stand)

“Jesus, Our Brother”

Verses 1, 2, 3

Scene 5 - While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks...
Shepherds: *Keziah:* Percy Fowkes; *Micah:* Anadi Juyal-Bozza;
Rivkah: Alexander Kurz; *Deborah:* Hae-Bin Gulliver;
Angels: Lindsey Bayless, Fiona Bayless, Serena Cadotte, Billy
Tong, Emma Geelen, Rachel Bartholomew; **Angel Chorus:** Evelyn
Barbour, Madeleine Cruz, Charlie Cruz, Rory McGraw, Brooke Milo,
Serenity Stairs; **Shepherd Chorus:** Juby Boyd, James Charron, Ben
Grandy, August Fowkes, **Angel Gabriel.**



Hymn: 38 VU “Angels We Have Heard on High” (Seated)
Verses 1 & 2

Scene 6- The Sheep Who Were Left Behind..
Nate Geelen, Tosca Juyal-Bozza, Simon Hicks

Hymn: 75 VU “While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks”
(Seated) **Verses 1 & 6**

Scene 7 - The Shepherds Find the Manger
Shepherds; Shepherd Chorus; Mary; Joseph.



Hymn: 58 VU “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”
(Please Stand) **Verse 1**

King Herod & Wise Counselors

Herod: Natalie Boyd
Counselors: Clara Grandy
Cameron Lockhart
Counselor Chorus: Martin Hicks

Three Kings

Grace Allo
Madeline Boyd
Nessa Hopkin

Claude the Camel

Caitlin Allo
Kieran Allo

Recitations

Star: Violet Adlard
Call to Worship: Sydney LeClair

Stage Crew

Set Design: Owen Clifton
Stage Managers: Caitlin Allo
Mia Kurz
Stage Crew: Brendan Agbenyoh
Dzifa Agbenyoh
Kieran Allo
Victoria Bailey
Sydney LeClair
Jon Roebuck
Adam Kurz
Tom Lagace
Kathryn Gibson

Sound System & Projection

Brian Hamilton
Doreen Hamilton
John Scollick
Ken Tong

Pageant Bells Ensemble

Director: Andrea Laliberté
Musicians: Caitlin Allo
Kieran Allo
Luke Dillman
Allyson Hopkin
Carolynn Kelman
Anna Kurz
Mia Kurz
Tyler Lagace
Hailey Laliberté
Sydney Laliberté
Grace Lockhart
Francine Stripinis
Irene Stripinis

Organist: Andrew Ager

Rideau Park Team

Ministers: Rev. Elizabeth Bryce
Rev. Steve Clifton
Rev. Georgina Fitzgerald
Coordinator of Music: Iain Macpherson
Admin. Assistant: Debbie Gerro
Administrator: Debi Brown
Custodian: Jeff Scollick

Director’s Assistants

Erin Brunet-Decaire
Merina Shulist

Rehearsal Assistants

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Allyson Hopkin
Madeleine Boyd
Natalie Boyd
Danielle Turcotte

Main Characters

Narrator: Danielle Turcotte
Wendy Friendly: Sydney Laliberté
Anderson Snooper: Grace Lockhart
Prophet: Meado Adlard
Gabriel : Violet Adlard
Mary: Jessica Roebuck
Joseph: Alexander Turcotte
Elizabeth: Chelsea Roebuck
Zechariah: Derek Lagace

The Street Scene & Innkeepers

Jacob: Kate Benn
Sarah: Lacey Adlard
Yoshi: Claire Benn
Soldier: Alexander Kurz
Extras: Percy Fowkes
Juby Boyd
Derek Lagace
Chelsea Roebuck

Innkeepers: 1. Chelsea Roebuck
2. Derek Lagace
3. Nancy Sherman-Strome

The Sheep Who Were Left Behind

Nate Geelen
Tosca Juyal-Bozza

Animals

Wolves: Malcolm McGraw
Avery Pye
Sheep: Dean Charron
Nate Geelen
Tosca Juyal-Bozza
Simon Hicks
Carter Merriman
Jack Merriman
Lion: Rye Grandy
Cows: Sam DeCaire
Julia Robinson
Nathan Robinson
Bears: Gavin Neal
Korbin Neal
Johnathan Sabean
Donkeys: Oliver Hicks
Sarah Hicks

Angels

Gabriel: Violet Adlard
Angel 1: Lindsey Bayless
Angel 2: Fiona Bayless
Angel 3: Serena Cadotte
Angel 4: Billy Tong
Angel 5: Emma Geelen
Angel 6: Rachel Bartholomew
Chorus: Evelyn Barbour
Charlie Cruz
Maddie Cruz
Rory McGraw
Brooke Milo
Serenity Stairs

Shepherds

Rivkah: Alexander Kurz
Keziah: Percy Fowkes
Micah: Anadi Juyal-Bozza
Deborah: Hae-Bin Gulliver
Chorus: Juby Boyd
James Charron
August Fowkes
Ben Grandy

Scene 8 – The Journey of the Three Magi

King Herod: Natalie Boyd; **Wise Counselors:** Clara Grandy, Cameron Lockhart; **Counselor Chorus:** Martin Hicks; **Three Kings:** Grace Allo, Madeline Boyd, Nessa Hopkin; **Claude the Camel:** Caitlin & Kieran Allo; **Prophet; Mary; Joseph**



Hymn: “We Three Kings Of Orient Are”
(Seated)

We three Kings of Orient are	Born a King on Bethlehem’s plain,
Bearing gifts, we traverse afar,	Gold I bring to crown him again,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,	King forever, ceasing never,
Following yonder star.	Over us all to reign.

O star of wonder, star of night,	O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright;	Star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding,	Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.	Guide us to thy perfect light.

Poem: “One Bright Star”
By: Wanda E. Brunstetter
Recited by: Violet Adlard



Scene 9 - The Three Magi Find the Manger
Three Kings; Claude the Camel; Mary; Joseph; Prophet.



Christmas Cheer- Gretchen Conrad

Offering

Offertory: “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” **Arr. D. E. Wagner**
Performed By: Grace Notes Teen Pageant Ensemble
Directed By: Andrea Laliberté

Prayer of Dedication

Scene 10 - And The Light Shall Shine
Prophet; Entire Cast.



Hymn: 67 VU “Silent Night”
(Seated) **Verses #1-2 in English, then verse #1 in French**

ACT 3– FINALE
Entire Cast

Closing Hymn: 59 VU
(Please Stand)

“Joy To The World”
Verse 1

Closing Words and Announcements

Andrea Laliberté

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude

