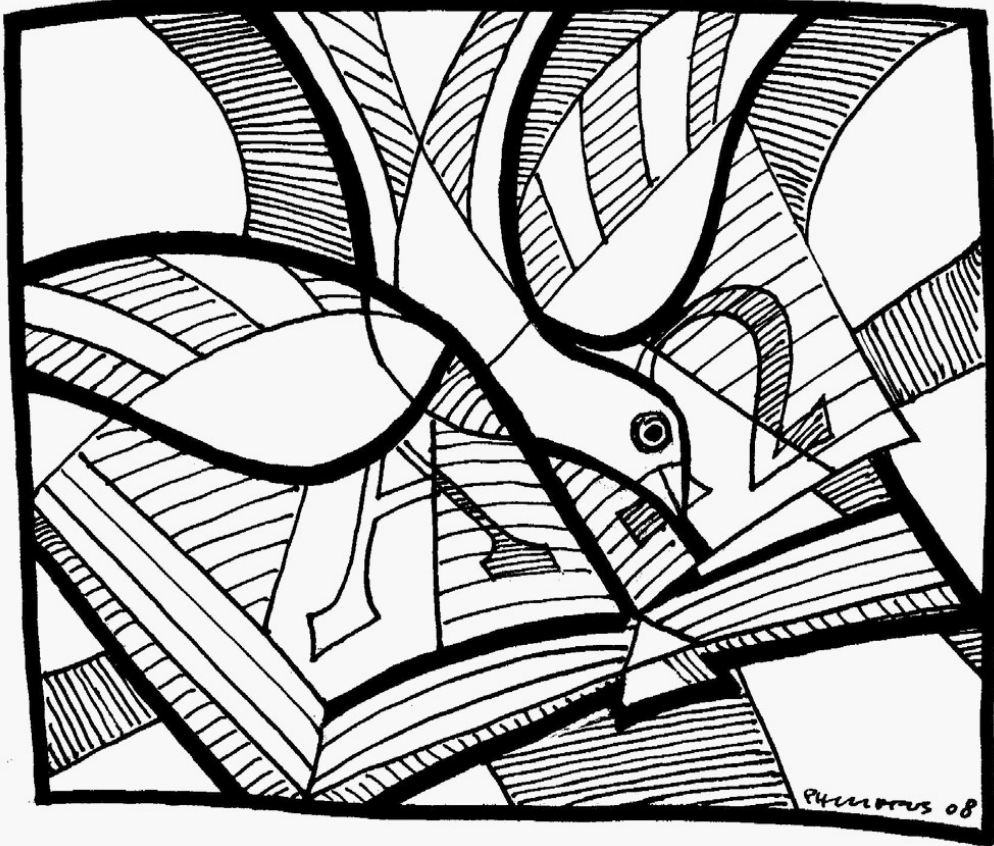


Epiphany 6  
Sunday, February 16, 2020



Rideau Park United Church

*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.*

**Sunday, February 16, 2020– Epiphany 6**

## **We Gather Together**

Gathering Music:

Lighting of the Chancel Candles: “No one after lighting a lamp puts it under a bushel basket, but on the lampstand, giving light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others.” Matthew 5:15

\*Call to Worship:

ONE: On our way to worship, many of us stumbled, slipped on the ice, bumped into something.

**ALL: So it is in our life of faith.**

ONE: We are not perfect, and the path of faith is not always smooth.

**ALL: May our bumps be healed, our feet steadied, and our path clear.**

ONE: May we worship, and walk, with God in faith.

**\*Processional Hymn: 646 VU**

**We are Marching/Siyahamba**

Dickey

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

## **Listening for God’s Word**

### **Sacrament of Baptism - Extending the Christian Family**

† Statement of Purpose

† Introduction of the Candidates

† Questions of Commitment

† Profession of Faith-A New Creed VU 918

† Pouring of the Water & Prayer of Thanksgiving

† Act of Baptism

† Giving of the Baptismal Candle

† Sung Blessing VU 965 (sung by all)

**Prayer: (unison)**

**God of gracious welcome, hear our prayer for Gavin and Korbin baptized today. May they be blessed in all of life’s journey. May we who share the mark of baptism hold them in faith and Christian love. May they know the grace of your Holy Spirit in all the days ahead. Amen.**

## Balgemann

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit, large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.**

## The Life and Work of the Church

**\*Hymn: 331 VU**

**The Church's One Foundation**

Aurelia

**\*Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude

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.***

## Rideau Park News

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### Upcoming Worship Events

Feb 23	Scouting/Guiding Sunday	10:00am
Feb 26	Ash Wednesday-Labyrinth/Encarna	6:30pm
Mar 1	Communion Lent 1	10:00am

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Tuesday, February 25. Everyone is invited to a Pancake Supper starting at 5:30 p.m.** The Supper is hosted by the 28th Ottawa Scouts, with a menu of pancakes, sausages, veggies, and dessert. Tickets are Adults: \$10.00, Children: \$6.00, and are available from the church office (Mon-Fri. 9am-4pm) and at the door. For more info please call : 613-733-3156 ext. 229 or [www.rideaupark.ca](http://www.rideaupark.ca)



**Wednesday, February 26, starting at 6:30 – Encarna and Labyrinth on Ash Wednesday.** Encarna is a multimedia journey through prayer stations and meditation, from **6:30– 8:30 p.m.** in the sanctuary. The Labyrinth will also be set up in Beecroft Hall. At **7:15 p.m.** we will move into the chancel area for an Ash Wednesday service, with communion.

**Harmony Club for Seniors (60+) will meet on Wednesday, February 26,** beginning with registration at 11:00 a.m. At noon, lunch (cost \$6.00) will be served by volunteers. From 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Nancy and John Durkee will give a presentation on, **“Italy, Pasta, Wine Art and History”**. Please spread the word that presentations are open to all, without charge or prior notice. *For anyone who is not yet a member, to join us for lunch, registration is required by Wednesday, February 19, by calling Carolyn Scollick at 613 745-1798.* Plan to join us again on Wednesday, March 25.

**Flower Delivery:** The UCW purchases the flowers that are at the front of the sanctuary and is responsible for the delivery of the flowers after Sunday service. Because of the decreasing number of women in the UCW, it is difficult to have enough women to deliver the flowers. We are developing a roster of people (not only UCW members) who are willing to do the delivery. Hopefully enough people will come forward to assist with this ministry so that delivery duties would only come up a few times during the year. If you are willing to help, please contact Judy Paré at 613-523-0098, [judy2006@sympatico.ca](mailto:judy2006@sympatico.ca), or Mabel Bannerman at 613-731-5865 [jam-ban@sympatico.ca](mailto:jam-ban@sympatico.ca). Thank you.

***Please note: The office will be closed on Monday, February 17 for Family Day.***

**Harmony Club for Seniors 60+ next monthly gathering will be Wednesday, March 25.** Lunch at 12 noon; register at the church office by March 18. From 1:00-2:00 p.m. Tom Clarke describes the Guatemala Stove Project, a simple cement block stove with outside venting that can reduce wood consumption and indoor toxic smoke by about 50%, saving forest resources and people's health - an innovation with global implications.

**Healing Pathway:** Full sessions are offered most **Thursdays, by appointment between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. and on the third Sunday evening of the month, between 7:00p.m. and 9:00 p.m.** To book an appointment, please email [healingpathway@rideaupark.ca](mailto: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.

**Peace. Awareness. Mindfulness. Groundedness.** Meditation is good for you: mind, body and spirit. A small group meets for silent meditation from **9:10 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Sundays**, in a dedicated meditation space and everyone is welcome. It's not hard to do; it's as easy as breathing. Why not give it a try? And if you would like to know more about meditation in the Christian tradition you can visit: <http://rideauparkspirituality.blogspot.ca/>



The Refugee Committee will be holding an **E-Recycling Program on Saturday, March 14, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at Rideau Park United Church. Bring your old TV's, VCRs, DVD, Blu-Ray players, audio and stereo equipment, cameras, phones and cellular devices, laptops, computers and all accessories, printers, speakers, remotes, gaming systems, etc. Ontario Electronic Stewardship (OES) will recycle the used electronics. Proceeds will benefit the

Join the Social Action and Outreach Committee on **Sunday, March 15 at 11:45 a.m. for a Lunch and Learn with Multi Faith Housing Initiative.** The current story in Ottawa is that thousands of individuals and families are without permanent homes or adequate temporary living facilities. How do you make a change? Come and find out from our speakers MFI United Church Board Representative Sue Smarkala, and Manager of Community Engagement and Volunteers Sahada Alolo. Multi Faith Housing Initiative exists for one purpose, we want all people in Ottawa to have safe, continuous affordable housing. When one person or one family has a safe, adequate, and affordable place to call home, their lives are changed. But when entire communities and cities like Ottawa provide housing and basic social services to the poor, the country is positively changed.

**RPUC Website:** Go to [rideaupark.ca](http://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.

**Parents, youth, and the young at heart:** It's Musical Theatre time again!!! After the success of last year's *Oh, Jonah!*, this year's production of *The Jungle Book* is sure to be a hit! This is a larger scale show, which will require 32 (or more) actors, singers and dancers, as well as back-stage help from teens and adults. The performance will be at **Rideau Park on Friday, May 29 and Saturday, May 30** (if 2 shows are warranted). **Rehearsals begin February 8.** For a sample rehearsal schedule, or to ask questions, please contact Music Ministry Coordinator, Iain Macpherson ([choirdirector@rideaupark.ca](mailto:choirdirector@rideaupark.ca); 613 733-3156. ext. 301)



## HEALING PATHWAY

**Phase 1 Workshop: Friday, April 17: 9:00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. and Saturday, April 18: 9:00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.** at Glen Cairn United Church in Ottawa. **The Healing Pathway** enables people to de-

velop the gifts and skills of healing within the Christian tradition, and fosters the development of healing ministries in congregations and other communities. Practitioners are trained to be a heart-centered, loving presence, and to use energy-based techniques in an intentional manner to facilitate and support the healing process of an individual, for physical, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual well-being. Speak to Brian Neal, Sharon Sanderson, or Rev Clifton for more information. Brochures are posted on the bulletin board across from the Sunday School counter, and available on line at [healingpathway.ca](http://healingpathway.ca) (in the Courses section). **Early Registration Fee:** \$210.00 (\$260.00 after March 27), half price to repeat as refresher. \$50 deposit due on registration. Subsidies are available.

**Highly recommended:** For anyone 50 years or older, you should think about contacting **FreeEmergencyContactCard.com**. Just fill out the form and they will send you a *plasticized emergency contact card you can carry in your wallet or purse*. Tell your friends about this important **free** service.

Rideau Park's **Euchre Club** meets every **Thursday, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 .m., until June**. Join us for cards, refreshments, conversation and fun. All are welcome. A small donation helps cover refreshments. More info, call 613-733-3156 x229, [www.rideaupark.ca](http://www.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. Questions? Speak to Steve or Elizabeth.

**Imperial Cities & Oberammergau - August 1-12, 2020:** Rev. Kim Vidal invites you to travel with her to visit the Imperial Cities in Europe: Budapest, Vienna, Prague and Munich and experience the world renowned Oberammergau Passion Play presented every 10 years. For more information, please email: [kim.vidal@gmail.com](mailto:kim.vidal@gmail.com)

<p><b>Please note:</b> Any Tax receipts that <i>were not picked up</i> have been <i>mailed out</i>.</p>
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Activities Calendar: Feb 16 – Feb 22		
<b><u>Sunday:</u></b>		
Meditation	9:10am	B-9
Sunday Service	10:00am	Sanctuary
Drums Alive	11:30am	B-13
Jungle B. Rehears.	2:00pm	Sanctuary
<b><u>Monday:</u></b>		
Office closed: Family Day		
<b><u>Tues:</u></b>		
50+ Fitness	9:00am	Beecroft
Tai Chi	10:15am	Parlour
La Bell Ensemble	7:15pm	Sanctuary
<b><u>Wednesday:</u></b>		
Tai Chi	4:00pm	B-12
Gentle Yoga	5:00pm	B12
Council	7:30pm	Parlour
<b><u>Thursday:</u></b>		
50+ Fitness	9:00am	Beecroft
Valentine Coffee Party	9:30am	Parlour
Euchre	1:00pm	Parlour
HearSay	5:45pm	Beecroft
Xpression Teen Choir	6:15pm	B-12
Cherubs	6:45pm	B-13
Joyful Noise	6:45pm	B-12
GraceNotes	6:15pm	Sanctuary
Chancel Choir	7:30pm	Sanctuary
<b><u>Friday:</u></b>		
Gentle Yoga	9:30am	Parlour
Chair Yoga	11:00am	Parlour
<b><u>Saturday:</u></b>		
Jungle B. Rehearsal	2:00pm	Brackenridge
<b><i>Office closed on Family Day: Monday, February 17.</i></b>		

Coffee Hour Volunteer	
<b>Feb 16</b>	Susan & Colin Townsend Christy Harris Pat Whitridge & Pierre Quesnel
<b>Feb 23</b>	Ken & Dipty, Mikayla, Billy Tong Janet & Wayne Bond
<b>Mar 1</b>	Christel Kurz Gretchen Conrad & Mark Shulist, Marina, Devon & Rigel
Sunday Duty Officers	
<b>Feb 16</b>	Judy Paré
<b>Feb 23</b>	Janet Buske-Wichser
<b>Mar 1</b>	Beth Campbell-Keays
Counting Volunteers	
<b>Feb 19</b>	Mark Inman
<b>Feb 24</b>	Christel Kurz
<b>Mar 2</b>	Lois Jensen, Brian Hamilton
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