



Kitchissippi
UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, October 26, 2024



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP at 10 AM LIVE STREAM

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HERE IS THE LINK TO VIEW THE KUC YOUTUBE CHANNEL ON SUNDAYS

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwATU1rozB1PIIaRmr2teVA>



Hello and good day!

I hope that this Friday File finds you well!

It has been a busy week and you will read about that in **Denise's (our Chair of Council) message.**

The church building is also busy this weekend for the **Out of the Box Fibre Fling**, happening tonight and tomorrow in the Church hall. Please see the message below for the hours so you can be inspired by the artistry and talent.

On **Sunday**, I'm looking forward to our guest speaker, **Esther Kern**, who is a member of **Community Peacemaker Teams**. Esther has been to Colombia, Iraqi-Kurdistan, Palestine/Israel, the United States/Mexico Borderlands, and a number of Indigenous communities in Canada between British Columbia and Ontario. Esther will be speaking mostly about her time in Palestine.

Esther will also be able to stay after the service for a **LUNCH AND LEARN! LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED!**

Check out Community Peacemaker Teams here: cpt.org and this page is where you would go to look for how they begin to make peace, by undoing oppressions: <https://cpt.org/uo>

Looking ahead to **November 3rd**, we will be welcoming **new members** during the worship service. Please let me know if you'd like to become a member of Kitchissippi or transfer your membership? Also **November 3rd at 6:30pm** in the evening, I have been asked to preach at the **Rainbow Worship** at Trinity St Andrew's in Renfrew. I hope to take a car full of God's Beloved and any others who want to join. Would you like to attend this evening service too?

Please see and sign up for the **Church Directory photos** being taken **November 14,15,16**. Any questions, please talk to Denise or Kassia in the office.

The **Creative Worship Working Group** has been on hiatus for a bit but I'd like to bring it back! Our main task is to look creatively at the coming season of Advent and Christmas and maybe even Epiphany and see what God might be calling us to do, learn, sing, pray about for the season. We have two dates right now - Monday November 11th and Thursday November 14th - we would start at 9:30am. Please let me know if you are interested in shaping worship and faith formation in this way?

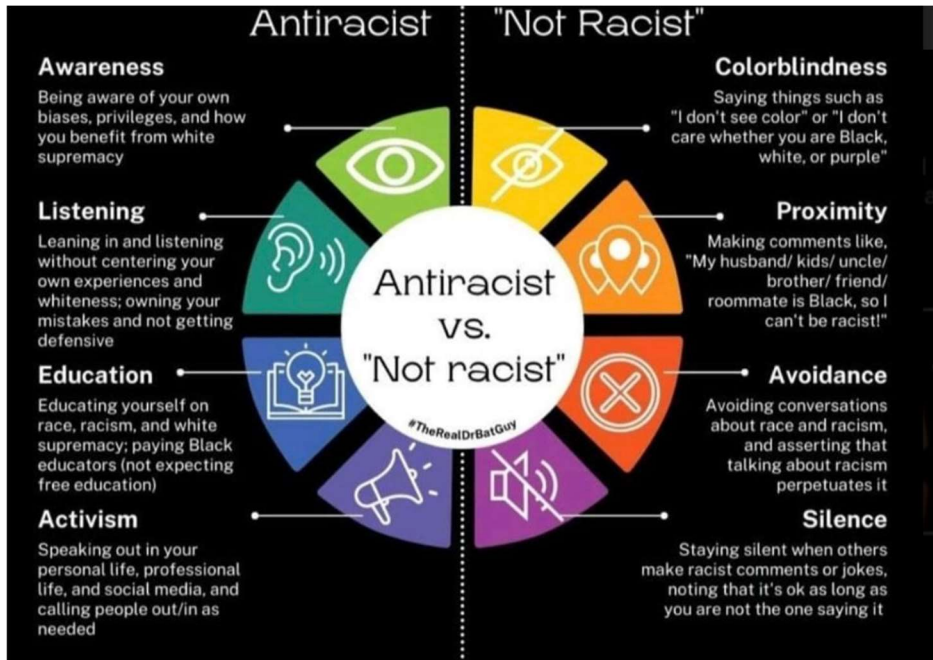
Looking ahead to later in November, we will be welcoming the **Burundian dance group** during worship and after - Ancille is a member of this group and they look forward to coming again (they shared their dance with us 10 years ago, I think). Date to be announced!

Many blessings on your weekend,
Jenni

p.s. and some inspiration:

EVERY WOMAN WHO WALKS WITH GOD HAS A STORY TO TELL
@saltandlight.words

 <p>SARAH "Nothing is too hard for God."</p>	 <p>ESTHER "God can turn a nobody into somebody."</p>
 <p>HAGAR "Even in the wilderness, God is there."</p>	 <p>ELIZABETH "You will give birth to greatness."</p>
 <p>RAHAB "Your past doesn't matter. God can use anyone."</p>	 <p>MARY "It shall be unto you according to God's Word."</p>
 <p>HANNAH "God answers prayers."</p>	 <p>MARTHA "Dead things can live again."</p>
 <p>RUTH "It's not over until God says so."</p>	 <p>DORCAS "God never forgets."</p>



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 25 & October 26i- OOTB Fibre Fling at Kitchissippi United Church

October 26 – Woodroffe United Church Fall Bazaar. Saturday October 26 from 9am-1pm. 207 Woodroffe Avenue. Items available include: China and kitchenware, books, bake tables, gift baskets, tools, white elephant, silent auction, toys, Christmas decorations, jewelry, small furniture and more.

October 27 – Soupalicious- The Debra Dynes Family House supports struggling local communities in tough times. Participating restaurants include: The Whalebone, Petit Bill's Bistro and Del Piacere. This event takes place on Sunday October 27 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Carleton Heights Community Centre in west central Ottawa, about ten minutes away from KUC.

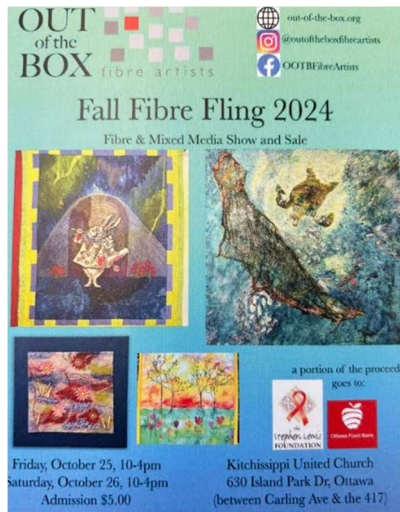
November 6 - UCW at 1:00 in the Hall - Just in time for the holidays, Master Gardener, Catherine Disley, will demonstrate some ways to jazz up your home for the holidays, using fresh flowers and fragrant foliage to create arrangements suitable for a mantel, sideboard or table. Please join us and enter your name in a draw to take home one of these arrangements. Everyone welcome.

November 9 – W.E. Gowling Public School Craft Show & Fundraiser

November 16 – Knox United Church Bazaar. Saturday November 16 from 10am-1pm. 25 Gibbard Ave. Crafts, sewing, knitting, quilt raffle, bake table, jams & jellies, aunties attic. Free admission. Free parking. Masking Optional

November 15- Queer Potluck - 5pm. If you identify on the 2SLGBTQ+ spectrum, please join us! We will watch the second half of the movie 1946: the Mistranslation that Shifted Culture.

OUT OF THE BOX FALL FIBRE FLING



OOTB Fibre Fling at Kitchissippi United Church – Come visit the Church to see our Fall Fibre Fling. Friday October 25 from 10am-4pm, and Saturday October 26 from 10am-4pm.

Admission is 5\$.

A portion of all proceeds go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation & The Ottawa Food Bank.

CHURCH PHOTOS

Hi All !

We are still looking for 4 volunteers to help host our Church photos from November 14th-November 16th. Volunteers are needed for half days. Please speak with Denise, or e-mail Kassia at admin@kitchissippiuc.com if this interests you.

November 15th – morning & afternoon volunteers needed

November 16th – morning & afternoon volunteers needed

Photos can be of individuals, couples, or you are welcome to take your photo with your family. Photo packages are also available to purchase after, but you are not obligated to do so. If you cannot make it in to take a photo, you are welcome to submit your own photos at a cost of \$20.

There will be time slots allotted for the photo shoot. You can sign up for your day and time slot on October 27th after worship. We also have volunteers who will be calling church members to check preferred days and times to take their pictures. The volunteers will write down your preferred day and time and will call you back confirming your time slot.

Thank-you,
Kitchissippi United Church.

LETTER TO THE MEMBERS OF KITCHISSIPPI UNITED CHURCH

An open letter to the members of Kitchissippi United Church - October 24, 2024.

The view outside my window tonight as I write this letter, looks like it is 2am although it is only 8:30.

Kitchissippi Council has for the past year been looking for new opportunities to be the hospitable, courageous community God calls us to be. One such opportunity involves renting our hall to the City of

Ottawa from January to April 2025 to be used as an overnight warming center for the unhoused. Our communication with the city laid out the assets and limitations of Kitchissippi's space. The Ontario Ministry of Children and Community does not oppose the warming center as long as safety measures are in place and there are no harm reduction programs planned. Rashmi, the Principal of the Montessori School was also comfortable with the proposal. Her "blessing" was essential as the rent from the school makes up almost half of the church's income.

KUC Council decided to discuss this ministry with the congregation once the City had completed its vetting process. If positive, we intended to discuss the matter with the congregation and take a vote. We had also planned to have a Q&A session with the parents. The City will make its decision in the next two weeks. Please be very clear, **we are under no obligation** to move ahead with this initiative regardless of the City's decision.

As some of you who read Jeff Leiper's blog will know, word of this proposal is out in the community and some parents from the school are up in arms about this use of the Kitchissippi space. They heard about the proposal from a letter sent out by Rashmi, the Principal of the Montessori School, who was being transparent about the initiative. A petition was quickly pulled together (very comprehensive I must say) and sent to Jeff Leiper demanding that he oppose this proposal. His reply, on his blog, basically says he will not oppose anything at this time as it is still hypothetical. He commended Kitchissippi for its active ministry in our community which he found heartening.

KUC Council met last evening to discuss the next steps. Since none of the correspondence was addressed to us, we do not feel it necessary to respond. We have agreed to inform the congregation in case someone approaches an individual member about the matter. We will wait out the next two weeks to learn of the City's decision.

We do not see that there is much of a downside for us in this situation. A large number of Kitchissippi District residents, who have known nothing about our church thus far, now know that we are a congregation that is trying to "walk the talk" when it comes to following the scripture in Matthew 25 about feeding the hungry, clothing the naked...

Looking at this situation from a glass half full perspective perhaps some people in Kitchissippi Ward will consider dropping by some Sunday to see and hear what KUC is all about.

Yours in Christ,
Denise Bonomo for Kitchissippi UC Council

SOUPALICIOUS

The Debra Dynes Family House supports struggling local communities in tough times. If you want to join this team in their good work, then consider attending a festive fall soup fundraiser called Soupalicious. Enjoy as many bowls of soup as you'd like prepared by local chefs. Participating restaurants include: The Whalebone, Petit Bill's Bistro and Del Piacere.

This event takes place on Sunday October 27 from 4:30pm to 7 p.m. at the Carleton Heights Community Centre in central Ottawa, about ten minutes away from KUC.

The address is 1665 Apeldorn Avenue in Ottawa.

The cost is \$25 per person. Tickets can be purchased online at: www.eventbrite.com/e/souपालicious-ottawa-2024-tickets. Or, if you prefer to pay offline and receive a paper ticket, email: info@debradynes.com

W.E. GOWLING PUBLIC SCHOOL CRAFT SHOW



HELPING NEIGHBOURS AT A NEARBY SCHOOL!

W.E. Gowling Public School Craft Show
250 Anna Ave.
(near the corner of Merivale and Anna Ave.)

- Admission is FREE
- All ages are welcome!
- Lots of street parking
- Vendors are locally sourced (Ottawa and area)
- The show is a fundraiser for replacement of the school's Senior Playground.

OUTREACH- PARKDALE FOOD CENTRE/FOOD BANK

Instead of harvest fruits and vegetables, the PFC needs **personal care items, toiletries** (e.g. laundry soap, period products (tampons, pads, panty liners), adult briefs (i.e. Depends), toothpaste, razors, toothbrushes, shampoo/conditioner, body wash/soap, baby diapers, baby formula, baby food (pouches and cereal), cat litter. The only food item suggested by PFC is **gluten-free pasta and crackers**.

Thank you for your donations – baskets will be in the sanctuary below the altar.

QUEER POTLUCK



KASSIA'S NEW OFFICE HOURS

Kassia will be moving her in-office hours to work Tuesday- Friday from 9am-2pm.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU – PLEASE REACH OUT

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