



Kitchissippi
UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, April 13th 2025



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 folks,

A Friday without sunshine is something we haven't had in a while. May the rain nourish the land and our spirits.

Please see the rest of this email for upcoming services!

Blessings,

Jenni

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 11th - SPRING concert in support of Multifaith Housing Initiative's Odenak development on LeBreton flats This is part of EOORC's sanctioned fund raising by communities of faith for the project. Taking place at Knox United Church – Doors Open at 7 pm

April 13th – **Annual Report** – The Annual Report will be available on April 13th. It can be delivered electronically or picked up in the Narthex.

April 13th – **Palm Sunday** -Smudging & Cedar Parade in the Sanctuary at KUC. This Sunday Ravan and Daniel S. will be offering Smudging before the 10:00 service. If you want to participate please arrive early. They will be set up by 9:15.

April 13 - Palm Sunday - Easter plant delivery. Easter plants will be available for

KNOX UNITED CHURCH
PRESENTS A
**SPRING
MUSIC CONCERT**

Gail Gavan: Ottawa Valley entertainer
Accompanied by
Sherryl Fitzpatrick: Master fiddler/pianist

FRIDAY | **APRIL 11** | 7:30 PM
Doors open 7 pm

Knox United Church, 25 Gibbard Ave, Nepean

Free will donations will support
Multifaith Housing Initiative's
Odenak Complex at LeBreton Flats
Tax receipts issued for donations of \$25 or more
(Visa and MasterCard payments accepted)

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delivery to our friends who are not able to attend church. Please drop by the hall after church and pick up a plant to deliver to someone in your neighbourhood. Thanks for helping the pastoral care circle deliver some Easter cheer. We get feedback that these plants are greatly appreciated. Thank you."

April 17th – Maunday Thursday Soup & Supper Service- Dinner will be at 5:30 in the Hall, and Worship will start at 7:00 in the Sanctuary. If you have been asked to bring soup. Please make enough for 8 people. If your recipe calls for wheat, milk, eggs, nuts or other common allergens please include an ingredients list. Crock pots work well for keeping the soup hot.

April 18 - Good Friday - 11:30 -Lunch following Good Friday service. As per tradition we will be meeting for lunch after the Good Friday morning service. **Reservation has been made at Local Heroes, 1400 Clyde Avenue**, in the Bleeker Mall between Merivale and Baseline. Prices are reasonable. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hall, as the restaurant wants us to confirm numbers by April 14. For further information, or if you need a drive, please speak to Pete McEwen or Donna Horner. Everyone welcome. Hope to see you there."

April 20th – Easter Sunday - Gavan and the choir invite you to join them on Easter Sunday to sing Handel's Hallelujah chorus. See Gavan if you want to borrow a copy of the score (words and music). Take it home Palm Sunday (April 13) then bring it back to use on Easter Sunday (April 20). Everyone is warmly welcome to add their voices.

April 26th – Queer Potluck in the Hall at KUC – Everyone Welcome !
Bring a dish to share

May 2nd & May 3rd – Rummage Sale

May 31st – Fundraiser at St. James United Church



Save the date!
May 31st, 7:00 pm, Glebe-St. James United Church

From Silence into Joy!

Special fundraising concert for GSJ featuring:

- Glebe-St. James Choir
- Glebe Montessori School Choir
- Canterbury High School Vocal Ensemble
- Canterbury Trebles Women's Ensemble

Special guest, Dr. Mark Wilkinson, Baritone and Music Educator

Admission by donation



CALLING ALL HEALTH CARE AND FIRST AIDERS

On June 15, 2024 we are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada at the EY Centre in Ottawa and we are expecting approximately 1500 people, so I am looking for help in the First Aid Department. There will be a need to work with the EY Centres staff to ensure that everyone's needs are met. If you are planning to attend and want to share your gifts, please contact Cathy Ryan at 613-272-2026 or cryan@rideau.net

RECENT ANDROID PHONES NEEDED

If you have a recently traded-in Android phone, there is a need for a couple in the congregation; if you have one that you could part with, please contact Kassia in the office or Doug Patriquin at dnpatriquin@gmail.com or 613 791 0898.

RUMMAGE SALE

Our Spring Rummage Sale is on May 2nd & May 3rd this year. If you have any contributions, please drop them off to Kitchissippi United Church during Kassia's in-office hours.
Tuesday-Friday from 9am-2pm

DANIELS MESSAGE- FROM MARGINAL TO MONUMENTAL (A PALM SUNDAY STORY)

As I stood in the dusty village square, I couldn't help but feel a sense of despair wash over me. Another day, another burden to bear. My owner, a kind old man, had tied me to a stake, and I was forced to wait for his return. I had grown accustomed to this life, but it was a life without purpose.

I had always felt like an outcast, a donkey who wasn't good enough. My owner would often remark that I was too different, too slow, or too weak. The villagers would snicker and point, and I would lower my head in shame. I began to believe that I was indeed worthless.

But then, something unexpected happened. A group of strangers came to the village, and one of them approached my owner. They spoke in hushed tones, and my owner nodded, untied me, and led me to a nearby street. I had no idea what was happening, but I sensed a strange excitement in the air.

As I felt a gentle hand on my back, I looked up to see a figure mounting me. It was Jesus, the one they called the Messiah. I had heard stories about him, about his kindness, compassion, and power. I felt a surge of pride and responsibility, knowing that I was chosen to carry him into the city.

As we walked, my mind was flooded with thoughts. What must it be like to be the Son of God? What kind of burden did he carry on his shoulders? I thought about my own life, about the marginalization and rejection I had faced. I wondered if he saw me, truly saw me, beyond my worn-out hide and tired eyes.

As we approached the city gates, the crowds began to gather, waving palm branches and shouting "Hosanna!" I felt a sense of pride and purpose that I had never felt before. I was no longer just a marginalized donkey; I was a part of something greater than myself.

As Jesus sat on my back, I caught a glimpse of hope. Maybe, just maybe, I wasn't as worthless as I thought.

Maybe my life had a purpose beyond the burdens I carried. Maybe I was more than just a donkey.

As we rode through the city, I felt the weight of responsibility. I didn't want to stumble or falter, not with Jesus on my back. I walked steadily, my hooves clicking on the stone streets, as the crowds cheered and chanted.

In that moment, I felt a connection with Jesus. I sensed that he understood me, that he saw beyond my flaws and weaknesses. He spoke softly to me, "You're doing well, little one." Tears pricked at the corners of my eyes, for no one had ever spoken kindly to me before.

As we reached the destination, Jesus dismounted, and I felt a sense of loss. But then, I realized that I had been given a gift. I had been given a glimpse of my own worth, a sense of purpose beyond my circumstances. I knew that I would never be the same again.

To all those who have been marginalized, rejected, or overlooked, I want to tell you that you are seen. You are valued. You are loved. Your life has purpose, and your story matters. Don't give up hope, even when the world around you seems to have given up on you.

As I returned to the village, I felt a sense of peace settle over me. I knew that I would continue to carry burdens, but I also knew that I was more than just a donkey. I was a child of God, loved and valued, and I would carry that sense of purpose with me for the rest of my days.

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for seeing us, even when others have overlooked us. Thank you for speaking kindly to us, even when we feel worthless. Help us to remember that our worth comes from you, and that our lives have purpose beyond our circumstances. We thank you for always reminding us that we are not alone, you are with us.. Amen

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU – PLEASE REACH OUT

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