



Kitchissippi
UNITED CHURCH



Sunday, December 14, 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/UCwATU1rozB1PIlaRmr2teVA>

THIS WEEK AT KITCHISSIPPI UNITED CHURCH



Hello everyone,

Well, that was a winter storm, wasn't it? It probably wasn't the worst storm we've had but hopefully the worst of the winter. One can remain hopeful for gentle snowfalls and diamond sparkling on snow.

Due to the storm on Wednesday, we had our Advent study on zoom and postponed the Contemplative service to this coming Wednesday December 17th at 7pm. All are welcome - it is a quieter, introspective service. The Advent study will be on Wednesday in the boardroom this week, weather permitting.

This coming Sunday is so much fun! It is a participatory Christmas pageant where everyone is welcome to go to the narthex and get a costume and help tell the story of the birth of Jesus. Please come and have fun! There is also a Christmas potluck cold lunch after the service - sandwiches and goodies. See this newsletter for more info on what you can bring to share (if you can).

Save the date for a carol sing at Amica Westboro on Tuesday December 16th at 11am. Come and help us sing with the residents!

And Sunday December 21st, I'm very excited for the Christmas in Africa pageant! I know that the God's beloved folks are so talented, resilient and creative and I look forward to this pageant!

Also mark the date for a Queer Potluck Plus on Saturday January 17th! A special guest will be with us!

See you Sunday!

Continued Advent Blessings,
Jenni



NEW KUC WEBSITE
WWW.KITCHISSIPPIUC.COM

UPCOMING EVENTS



Events

November 30th - Advent I - **10 a.m.** Bake Sale **11 a.m.**

December 7th - Advent II - **10 a.m.** Communion, Mitten Tree and White Gift
4 p.m. Christmas Carol Sing fundraiser for Carlington Community Connection
- freewill offering and refreshments after

(Wednesday) December 10th - **7 p.m.** Contemplative Service

December 14th - Advent III - **10 a.m.** Pageant and Luncheon, Mitten Tree and White Gift

December 21st - Advent IV - **10 a.m.** Christmas in Africa Pageant

(Wednesday) December 24th - **7 p.m.** Candlelight Christmas Eve

(Thursday) December 25th - 5 p.m. Congregational Dinner & Entertainment



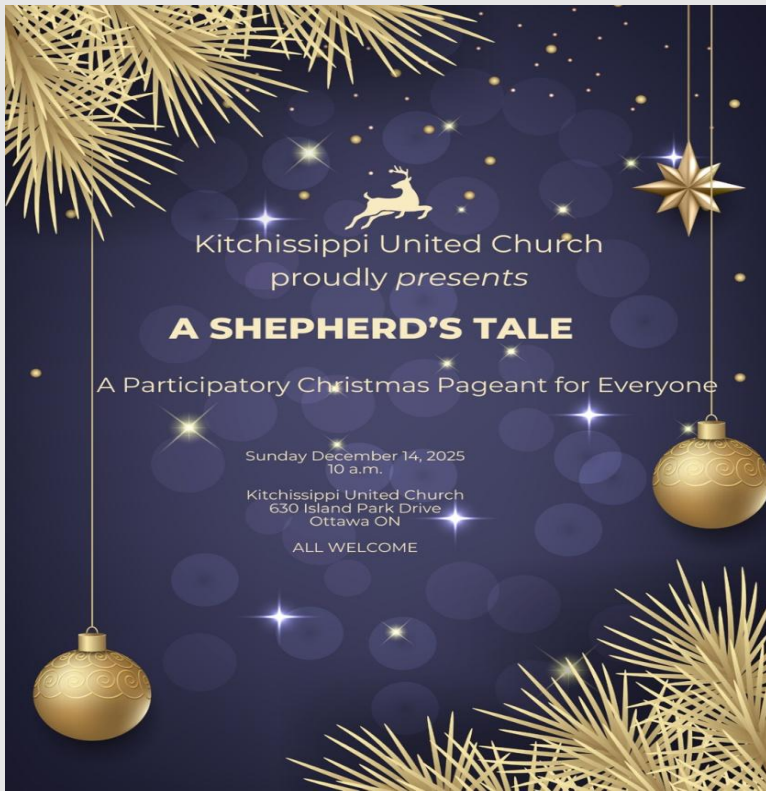
*May your Christmas be merry and bright and the
New Year bring renewed hope and peace on earth!*



Warm Woolies Drop-Off for New Canadians at Kitchissippi United Church

We are collecting new and gently used winter jackets and boots for newcomers in our community. If you have items to donate, please drop them off at Kitchissippi United Church. Your support will help keep new families warm this winter.

Date: December 12, 2025, 10 am – 2 pm
December 13, 2025, 9 am - Noon



KUC warmly invites you to our participatory Christmas pageant, "A Shepherd's Tale." Expect a heartwarming story, a few delightful surprises, and just the right amount of holy mischief. Whether you join as a shepherd, an angel, or enthusiastic audience support, we promise joy, laughter, and plenty of Christmas cheer. Come and be part of the fun!

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

MITTEN TREE – On December 7 and 14 please bring new hats, mitts, scarves, and socks for Indigenous families (mostly women and children) supported by Minwaashin Lodge.

WHITE GIFTS - These are toiletries and small gifts for residents of 2 care homes in Ottawa which volunteers with KUC's Outreach Circle purchase and deliver.

Financial donations for either MITTEN TREE and/or WHITE GIFTS help us carry out these projects, by cheque to Kitchissippi United Church with "Christmas Outreach" noted on the memo line or by e-transfer to donations@kitchissippiuc.com also noting Christmas outreach.

Many thanks for your support!



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WIDER CHURCH



Musicians for Odenak present

Gifts

A festive choir presentation of **Brother Heinrich's Christmas** by John Rutter and other joyful selections. Featuring the choirs from: Barrhaven, Knox, Manotick and Woodroffe United Churches

Friday, December 12, 2025
Doors open at 6:30 pm - Concert at 7 pm

Barrhaven United Church; 3013 Jockvale Road
For details, call Dianne at 613-327-7275

Reception during Intermission
Free-will donations will support Multifaith Housing Initiative's Odenak on LeBreton Flats
Tax receipts issued for donations of \$25 or more
(Cash, Debit, Visa and MasterCard payments accepted)

The MacMillan Playford
Wheat & Sons
BMO Nesbitt Burns
BMO Private Wealth
Scotiabank
TD

Rotary Club of West Ottawa
Rotary Club of Ottawa South
Barrhaven Lions Club
Angels, Doctors & Clergy

MUSICIANS FOR ODENAK invite you to a magical evening of song and celebration

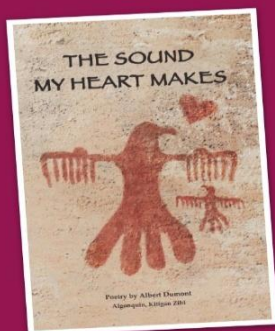
🌲 GIFTS – A Christmas Concert 🌲

With a featured performance of Brother Heinrich's Christmas – A heartwarming choral tale for the season.

Friday, December 12, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.
Barrhaven United Church
7, 2025

Venue: The Great Hall, Christ Church Cathedral
I would be truly honoured to see you in the audience and share this special moment with you.

BOOK LAUNCH



Albert Dumont (Algonquin, Kitigan Zibi)
will launch his new book
"THE SOUND MY HEART MAKES"
at
Christ Church Cathedral
Great Hall, 414 Sparks St., Ottawa
Sunday, December 14, 2025 at 2 pm

Join us for a book launch celebration and reading
Everyone welcome to attend

Book Launch!!!

I am delighted to share that I'll be launching my new poetry book, *The Sound My Heart Makes*, and it would mean so much to have you there.
Book Launch: The Sound My Heart Makes
Date; December 14, 2025, at 2 pm
Venue: The Great Hall, Christ Church Cathedral
I would be truly honoured to see you in the audience and share this special moment with you.



🎄 Get your Christmas Trees at the YMCA on Argyle Street!!! The Y Service Club is selling beautiful Christmas trees this season, and a portion of the proceeds will support Carlington Chaplaincy.

Fridays: 28th November 2025, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Saturdays: 29th November 2025, 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Sundays: 30th November 2025, 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

This schedule repeats every weekend until Christmas

Spread the cheer while giving back to the society.

YMCA 180 Argyle Avenue, Ottawa ON

KUC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement: The Christmas Pageant

This is a reminder that the KUC participatory Christmas pageant will take place on Sunday, December 14. The hope is that young people, and everyone who is young-at-heart, will join in this participatory story of the birth of Jesus.

Costumes are set up at the back of the church today. Browse through them and set aside a costume for yourself. We're hoping that everyone will join in the spirit of the season. It's your chance to be a shepherd, angel or wise person. After the pageant, a holiday lunch will be served. All are welcome to attend.

Also, next Saturday December 13 at 10 a.m. there will be a pageant rehearsal here at the church. Key players in the production, those helping with the music and members of the tech crew are encouraged to attend. Coffee and muffins will be served.

2026 United Church Calendar

We are pleased to share that the **2026 church calendar is now available**. Each copy is \$10, and you can pick yours up from Jennifer on **Sunday, December 14**.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and we hope the calendar will be a meaningful addition to your year ahead

SCENT FREE SPACE PLEASE!



We have recently found out that one of our new members has severe asthma and can not tolerate strong scents and perfumes. Please refrain from using this product when attending church services and events. Thank you!

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