

Happy
Parents' Day

Kitchissippi
UNITED CHURCH



Sunday, July 26, 2026

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP at 10 AM LIVE STREAM

WWW.KITCHISSIPPIUC.COM

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

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwATU1rozB1PIlaRmr2teVA>

FROM REV JENNI'S DESK



Hello folks,

I hope this finds you and your families well and enjoying the beautiful summer weather.

A reminder to God's Beloved that you will be welcome at Woodroffe United's Dress for less thrift store to 'shop for free' after church this Sunday. I think Judy will be at Kitchissippi to help transport folks over there. And if you want to drive your car over after church, they are opening it at 11:30 am at 207 Woodroffe Ave, Ottawa, ON K2A 3V1.

I will be in Toronto on Sunday visiting the God's Beloved in Toronto and bringing greetings from all of us at Kitchissippi to all of them at Manor Road God's Beloved.

I am starting holidays today for a couple of weeks - with my mom in Port Dover (going out for her 92nd birthday tonight, with my sister too, tho Mom's birthday is next Friday), and then next week I'll be flying to Halifax, Nova Scotia and going to Berwick camp- a United Church camp: <https://www.berwickcamp.org/>

Four friends, 2 couples of retired UCC ministers, will be there. Then I'll go to P.E.I. with one set of friends and then the ferry back to Pictou and then Pugwash for a few days with the other set of friends.

God's Beloved are planning a beach day on Saturday August 8th at Britannia beach. Please see poster. All are welcome!

On Sunday August 9th, I've been invited to Stittsville United and if any God's Beloved wants to join me, service starts at 10:30 at 6255 Fernbank Rd, Stittsville, ON K2S 1X5. (Their new minister is on holidays and they asked if I might be available to cover a Sunday, through Mary and Ian's work with Stittsville. With a teammate in ministry like Rev Daniel, we all felt this was possible.) I will be back

to Kitchissippi afterwards for a meeting with all those who want to become members of the church, so please stay after if this applies to you.

Our next Queer Potluck is Saturday August 15th at 6pm in the hall. Our special guest is Thomas Hodges, a longtime United church member and gay man.

New Members Sunday is August 16th, come and help us celebrate our new members!

I hope you all have a wonderful end of July and I will see you in August.

With thanks and blessings,
Jenni

UPCOMING EVENTS

KUC SUMMER SERVICE UPDATE

JULY

- 5th - 10am - hall
- 12th - 7pm - lawn - Vespers
(possibly welcome back the Niagara Falls bus)
NO morning service
- 19th - 10am - hall
- 26th - 10am - hall

AUGUST

- 2nd - 7pm - lawn - Vespers
NO morning service
- 9th - 10am - hall (plus meeting after for those who want to become members of Kitchissippi)
- 16th - 10am - hall - Welcoming New Members
- 23rd - 10am - Forest Church with Andrea
- 30th - 10am - hall - **OTTAWA PRIDE SUNDAY** - continental breakfast after and then to the Parade!

SEPTEMBER

- 6th - 7pm - lawn - Vespers
NO morning service

You're Invited!

KITCHISSIPPI UNITED CHURCH
All are welcome!

The poster features a colorful illustration of a church building with a rainbow flag flying on a pole in front of it, set against a backdrop of trees and a body of water. A heart-shaped stamp is visible in the top right corner.

GOD'S BELOVED SUMMER BEACH PARTY AUGUST 8, 2026



God's Beloved Summer Beach Party

Summer is here, and we are excited to gather together for a wonderful time of fellowship, fun, and friendship!

Join the GB community for a summer beach party filled with laughter, connection, and shared memories. It will be a great opportunity to relax, enjoy the outdoors, and spend time with friends and family.

Come ready for a day of fun, conversation, and community spirit. Everyone is welcome!

Date: August 8, 2026

Time: 1.00 PM

Location: Britannia Beach

Ottawa 2805 Carling Avenue

We look forward to celebrating summer with you!

DONATION TO MULTIFAITH HOUSING INITIATIVE IN SUPPORT OF THE ODENAK PROJECT

A heartfelt thank you to all the choirs who presented such a wonderful concert last Sunday. We are also grateful to everyone who generously donated to the **Multifaith Housing Initiative** in support of the **Odenak Project**.

The concert was part of a United Church campaign to raise **\$150,000** in support of Odenak. <http://www.multifaithhousing.ca/united-we-dream.html>

If you would still like to contribute, donations can be made through the Kitchissippi United Church fundraising page:
<http://pro.gofundme.com/team/621558>

To learn more about the historical connection between Odenak and Kitchissippi United Church, please see the attached *Sharing Time* document from two years ago (document is attached to email).

Nancy Brodie

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU FOR MAKING GB SUMMER TRIP A SUCCESS

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to everyone and every organization who contributed in one way or another to make the **GB Summer Trip** a success.

We are deeply grateful for the gifts of your time, talents, resources, guidance, consultations, countless meetings, and practical contributions such as camping mats and other supplies. Each contribution, big or small, helped create a meaningful and memorable experience for everyone involved.

Thank you for your generosity, commitment, and support. May God bless you abundantly and reward your kindness according to His riches in glory.

With sincere appreciation, thank you for being part of this wonderful journey.

REQUEST FOR PHOTO CONSENT – GB SUMMER 2026 TRIP

May We Share Your Memories?

We would love to share a few photos from our recent church trip in an upcoming Kitchissippi Friday File to celebrate the fellowship, friendship, and memories created together. Before sharing any photos, we kindly ask for your consent if you are pictured. Please let us know if you are comfortable with your photo being included. Thank you!

Kindly send an email to admin@kitchissippiuc.com if you do not wish for your photo to be included.

Thank you!

DOCUMENTARY SCREENING 1946: THE MISTRANSLATION THAT SHIFTED CULTURE

Riverside United Church will be screening the documentary *1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture* on **Friday, August 14, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This documentary explores how the words *arsenokoitai* and *malakoi* in the New Testament were translated in the 1946 **Revised Standard Version (RSV)** of the Bible. It examines the claim that these Greek terms, which some scholars believe refer to abusive or exploitative sexual behaviour rather than loving, consensual same-sex relationships, were translated using the word **"homosexual"** for the first time in an English Bible in **1 Corinthians 6:9** and **1 Timothy 1:10**.

Through interviews with biblical scholars, linguists, theologians, church leaders, and David Fearon, the film considers how this translation choice has influenced Christian teaching, public policy, and attitudes toward LGBTQ+ people. It also recounts how, in 1959, Fearon questioned the translation and was told that, although it might have been inaccurate, "the damage had already been done."

The documentary invites viewers to reflect on the importance of careful biblical translation and how translation choices can shape faith, theology, and society.

FOOD ALLERGIES, SCENT SENSITIVITIES & ACCESSIBILITY AT KUC JULY 2026

In the coming months, the KUC Council will be discussing how to develop clear policies regarding nut/peanut and other food allergies, while also considering the needs of those with sensitivities to scents, candle smoke, and other odours.

Please email Jennifer at the KUC office if you would like to share your thoughts on these matters or leave a message and someone will contact you.

Thank you all as we continue discerning our commitment to inclusion and to making KUC accessible and welcoming to everyone.

SUNDAY SUMMER REFRESHMENTS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

During the summer, we serve juice and cookies after the church service. We are looking for volunteers to sign up for one or more Sundays to help with this ministry.

Volunteers will be asked to:

- Purchase 2-3 boxes of cookies and 2 bottles of juice.
- Bring the refreshments to church on their assigned Sunday.
- Set up before fellowship time and clean up afterward.

Please keep your receipts and submit them to Adah for reimbursement.

The sign-up sheet, along with detailed instructions, is available in the kitchen.

Thank you for your support and willingness to serve!

Jane Christie

KEEP LEARNING: EXPLORE OUR BOOKSHELF

Although Black History Month has ended, we continue to honor the achievements of leaders, pioneers, and trailblazers who inspire us every day. To keep the learning going, our church library is offering a selection of books for members to explore.

There are different books available on the bookshelf in the sanctuary, covering a variety of topics and stories. Members are encouraged to pick a book to read and return it within two weeks so

others can enjoy it as well. Let's keep celebrating, learning, and sharing the stories that shape our community! Let's keep celebrating, learning, and sharing the stories that shape our community!

SCENT FREE SPACE

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.

WIDER COMMUNITY

CGIT Camp Kalalla has a mission to develop leadership in girls and young women. You can support our work right now in these ways...

Please **share the information** if you know a **camper or LIT** who might be interested in:

- our classic camp programme, July 19-26. (Visit www.kalalla.com for more details)
- our LIT programme, July 18-26. (Visit <http://kalalla.com/leader-in-training/>)

We are also always happy to receive applications to join our wonderful **staff** team. Visit <http://kalalla.com/camp-kalalla-jobs/>

OTTAWA WEATHER: SUMMER FORGOT ITS ASSIGNMENT

If anyone was wondering what season we are in, Ottawa has been keeping us guessing!!!

This week, the weather decided to give us a little bit of everything — a sprinkle of sunshine, a touch of rain, some strong winds, and a few chilly moments just to remind us that Ottawa is still Ottawa! One minute we are reaching for our sunglasses, the next we are wondering where we kept our jackets.

It seems summer said, "I will show up... but I am bringing all my friends!"

But regardless of the weather, it has been a beautiful reminder to enjoy each day, appreciate our community, and make the most of the wonderful summer season God has given us.

Stay warm, stay dry, and keep smiling — Ottawa weather is keeping us on our toes!

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