

ALMONTE UNITED CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025 10:30 AM



CELEBRATING ST. CECILIA, THE PATRON SAINT OF MUSIC AND THE REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

Musical Prelude

Land Acknowledgement

We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabe Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace

Call to Worship (Psalm 100, p. 820, VU)

"Make a joyful noise all the earth! Worship your God with gladness. Make a joyful noise all the earth. Come to this place with a song!

Know that your God has made you. Know it's to God we belong. And come to this place with joyfulness and praise. Worship your God with a song.,..."

Welcome and the Announcements

Hymn: 235 (vu) "O Worship the King".

The Gathering Prayer (Together)

It is good to be here, O God, to sing your praises and to celebrate your Christ as the Sacred Sovereign in our lives. In all that we do together here, we pray that we might both feel and know your Holy Spirit dwelling among us. Amen.

The Children's Time with Sus and Gloria

Choir Anthem

The Mission Moment





The Scripture Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20. Page 956. "The Supremacy of Christ"

Meditation: "Music for the King"

Hymn: 213. (Vu) "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: 245 (vu) "Praise the Lord"

The Commissioning and Benediction

The Singing of "O Canada"

Musical Postlude



CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Events of The Advent/Christmas Season



Sunday, November 30th at 10:30 am

First Sunday in Advent: The Sacrament of Holy Communion and The Lighting of the First Advent Candle: Hope.

Tuesday, December 2nd from 2-4 pm: "Coping With Christmas:" A special time for those who are grieving or feeling 'blue' during this supposed-to-be jolly season. This will be a time of personal reflection, quiet music, candle lighting, and refreshments.

Sunday, December 7th at 10:30 am: Advent II with the lighting of the Second Advent Candle: Peace.

Saturday, December 13th Community Luncheon in the AUC Hall from 11:30 am – 1:00pm.

Sunday, December 14th at 10:30 am:

Our AUC Sunday School and Youth Group will lead the service and lighting of the Third Advent Candle: Joy.

Sunday, December 21st at 10:30 am: Advent IV with the lighting of the final Candle: Love.

Christmas Eve, December 24th at 7:00 pm: A celebration of Jesus' birth with special music and candle lighting from the Christ Candle.

Sunday, December 28th at 10:30 am: An informal service in the Upper Hall with music, birthday cake, stories and fellowship.

1 Christmas Lunch



A community Christmas Lunch is being planned for Saturday, December 13th from 11:30 am – 1:00pm. We are looking for people to help with the posters, set up, food prep, serving and clean up. Anybody interested in helping should contact either Liz Barron at: barronliz1356@gmail.com or Mary Smiley at: marysmiley1@gmail.com We need your help.

Christmas Stocking Drive for the Food Bank



The Church is collecting Christmas stockings for the Lanark Food Bank. For many of the Food Bank adults, this is the only gift they will receive this Christmas, and they look forward to the wonderful surprises that the stocking brings. To participate, please fill a stocking with toiletries for either a lady or a gentleman, clearly marked HIS or HERS, and return it no later than Tuesday December 9, 2025. The stockings can be dropped off at one of the following:

- 1. At Textile Traditions, 87 Mill Street, from Monday to Saturday. A huge note of appreciation to Kelly Church who again this year has graciously offered to help us with this important initiative.
- 2. At the Church Office on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays between10 am -2 pm and at Sunday worship

Stocking ideas:: Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body wash, 5-blade razors, Nail file, Nail clippers, Shaving cream, After-shave lotion, Hand lotion, Moisturizing lotion, Loofa, Hairbrush, Comb, Cleansing cream/wash, Dental floss/picks, Deodorant, Liquid hand soap, Bar soap, Wet wipes, Hand sanitizer, Q-tips, Facial mask, Sunscreen, Mouthwash, Nail polish, Nail polish remover, and perhaps a small sweet

Thank you for your support!

WHAT'S ON AT AUC THIS WEEK

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm

Monday to Friday 8:30 Almonte Co-operative Nursery School

> Monday, November 24 5:30 Taekwon Do

Tuesday, November 25
10:00 Mom and Baby Physio Workout
6:00 Almonte Embers

Wednesday, November 26 12:45 Carebridge Pilates 5:30 Taekwon Do

Thursday, November 27
10:00 Mom and Baby Physio Workout
6:00 Rhythm & Song Choir
7:00 Choir Practice

Friday, November 28 9:30 Lisa Kmiel Yoga

Saturday, November 29

Sunday, November 30

10:30 Sunday Worship: ADVENT 1: Hope
Sunday School
Youth Group
7:00 Lindsey Lambden Yoga

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Office: Virginia Atkinson
Counter this month: Bob & Pat Lesser
Greeter: Marina Johnston &

Kathy Stewart

Greeter next week: Ron & Mary MacMeekin

Reader: Laurie Blackstock

Reader next week: John Peters Sunday School: Margie Graff Sound System Bob Lesser &

Laurie Blackstock

John Day

N.B. We have an automated external defibrillator! It can be found on the table outside the office door.