

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of understanding the cultural context of the research. It highlights the need for researchers to be sensitive to the values and beliefs of the communities they are studying. This is particularly important in the field of education, where cultural differences can significantly impact learning outcomes. The paper then moves on to discuss the challenges of conducting research in culturally diverse settings. It notes that researchers often face difficulties in finding appropriate research methods and in interpreting the data they collect. To address these challenges, the paper suggests that researchers should adopt a more flexible and open-minded approach to their research. This involves being willing to learn from the community and to adapt their methods as needed. The paper also emphasizes the importance of building trust and rapport with the community, which is essential for successful research. Finally, the paper concludes by noting that while research in culturally diverse settings is challenging, it is also a valuable opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the world and to improve the lives of the people we study.

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Celebrating National Indigenous Peoples' Day

*We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory
of the Algonquin Anishnaabe Nation.*

May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

The Musical Prelude

The Land Acknowledgment

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (in unison)

**O our Father, the Sky, hear us
and make us strong.**

**O our Mother the Earth, hear us
and give us support.**

**O Spirit of the East,
send us your Wisdom.**

**O Spirit of the South
may we tread your path of life.**

**O Spirit of the West
may we always be ready for the long journey.**

**O Spirit of the North, purify us
with your cleansing wind**

(Sioux Prayer)

Hymn: 402 (vu) "We Are One"

Gathering Prayer: (together)

ONE: O Great Spirit

Whose voice we hear in the winds

and whose breath gives life to all the world,

Hear us! We are small and weak, We need your strength
and wisdom

**ALL: Let us walk in beauty and make our eyes
ever behold the red and purple sunset.**

ONE: Make our hands respect the things you have made
and my ears sharp to hear your voice

**ALL: Make us wise so that we may understand the
things you have taught our people**

ONE: Let us learn the lessons you have hidden in every
leaf and rock

**ALL: We seek strength, not to be greater than our
brother,
but to fight our greatest enemy – ourselves.**

ONE: Make us always ready to come to you with clean
hands and straight eyes.

**ALL: So when life fades, as the fading sunset,
our spirit may come to you without shame.**

(Traditional Native American Prayer)

The Summer Choir: “O Siem”

The Scripture Lesson: Psalm 8. Page 732 in Voices United with
Sung Response.

Introduction of Guest Speaker

Meditation by Glenn Morrison

Hymn: 685 (vu) “We Turn to You”

The offering is collected-

***Sung Response: MV#191**

“What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I’ll sing with joy. I’ll say a prayer.

I’ll bring my love. I’ll do my share” x2

Dedication of Offerings

The Prayers of the People

Hymn: 691 (vu) “Though Ancient Walls”

The Commissioning and Benediction

Singing of O Canada

The Musical Postlude



CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Almonte United Church - Report on Givings to May 31, 2025

| Budget Revenue | Actual | Budgeted Amount | 2024 |
|---|----------|-----------------|----------|
| Givings to General Fund (envelope, e-transfer & PAR) | \$42,299 | \$43,296 | \$41,360 |
| Fund raising | \$4,983 | \$3,750 | \$5,225 |
| Rentals | \$16,713 | \$14,333 | \$13,436 |
| Total | \$63,995 | \$61,379 | \$60,022 |
| Outreach Givings | | | |
| Mission and Service | \$7,366 | \$6,973 | |
| Food Bank | \$500 | \$250 | |
| Likulezi | \$2,379 | \$1,141 | |
| Camp Lauren | \$835 | \$1,315 | |
| Total Outreach Givings | \$11,080 | \$9,679 | |

Camp Lau-Ren

We received a lovely note of gratitude from Camp Lau- Ren for our donation of \$835. This donation goes towards campers experiencing a week long, Christian experience in an outdoor setting for a registration fee that is less than the actual cost. Camp Lau-Ren wants to thank everyone who helped towards this generous donation.



✦ Healing with Beth ✦

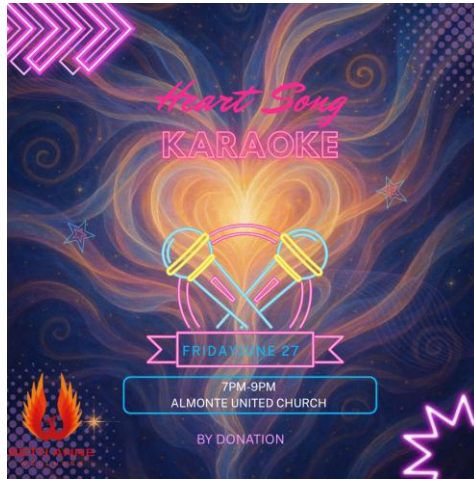
Come as you are - breathe, move, receive, and express in community.

🌿 Qi Gong for Every Body – Gentle, healing movement and breath practices, with adaptations for seated participants. Restore energy and inner calm. Sundays at 3-4 pm and Thursdays at 2-3 pm at the Almonte United Church Hall.



Next Sunday, June 29th, we will be celebrating Canada Day, so wear your red and white and share your patriotism!

Check out our Website at
www.almonteunited.com



Heart Song Karaoke

A playful evening of soulful singing, where your voice becomes a pathway to joy and connection.

Friday June 27th, 7pm-9pm at the Almonte United Church Hall. No experience needed. All are welcome. Tea and snacks provided.

Contact Beth at bethannewellness@gmail.com or call 416-904-8994 to learn more or join in.



Financial Donations by E-transfer:

During the pandemic we began to receive donations by e-transfer. For many people it is a quick and easy way to make a weekly financial donation. The email address

is office@almonteunited.com and please include your name and contact information in the message line.



WHAT'S ON AT AUC THIS WEEK

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm

Monday to Friday

9:00 Almonte Co-operative Nursery School

Monday, June 23

5:30 Taekwon Do

Tuesday, June 24

10:00 Mom & Baby Physio Workout

Wednesday, June 25

1:00 Carebridge Pilates

5:30 Taekwon Do

Thursday, June 26

10:00 Mom & Baby Physio Workout

2:00 Seated Qi Gong

7:00 Council Meeting

Friday June 27

9:30 Lisa Kmiel Yoga

7:00 Heart Song Karaoke

Saturday, June 28

1:00 Celebration of life

Sunday, June 29

10:30 Sunday Worship- **Canada Day Service**



3:00 Seated Qi Gong

7:00 Lindsey Lambden Yoga



