

Thursday Newsletter

Almonte United Church

Week of
September 1-6



Fall Programming Survey

September is here, and we want to know what you'd like to be involved in this fall! Whether it's Bible study, a walking group, or something else, your input will help shape what we start. Take a few minutes to fill out our survey:

<https://forms.gle/LafVPxnJpzs7KmZ6>

Prefer paper? A printed copy is available at the church office.

Then Let Us Sing

The Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality invites you "Then Let Us Sing"

Hosted by Paul Sales.

Orleans United Church 1111 Orleans BLVD

Come and sing as we explore the songs of the United Church's new hymnal.

September 12th, 2026

3-4:30 pm

Cost: By Donation

Interested in car pooling ~ talk to Heather

Upcoming Event

Wednesday Sept 9 (6-8PM) Mississippi Mills Open House at John Levi Community Centre

We need a few people to join us.

If you can talk with people about AUC, what excites you, what brought you here, and what keeps you coming back, we'd love to have you join us at the table

What's coming on Sunday

This Sunday's reading is from Exodus, as we begin the journey with the Israelites into the desert — forty years in the wilderness. But before they can leave, there is Passover: the ritual at the heart of Jewish faith, the most significant event on its calendar, and the meal Jesus later transformed into the Christian tradition of communion.

Heather's Thursday Thoughts

The Season of Creation began on September 1 and runs until October 4. Here at Almonte United Church, we mark the season by changing our colours to orange and shaping our liturgy around Creation. This year's Season of Creation (seasonofcreation.org) scripture passage is Ezekiel 47:1-12, which tells of *living water*; a small fountain will gurgle through our worship time in this season as a reminder of the living water God continues to provide.

Marking the Season of Creation feels especially timely, given all that humans have done to the planet. The torrential rain we experienced yesterday evening was only the edge of a storm that flooded streets in Toronto and dropped tennis-ball-sized hail and power is still out for many people this morning. Creation is not a backdrop to our faith; it is the ground we stand on, it is what holds us up even when it is flooding around us. May we use this season to remind us that we are all part of Creation and that it is our duty to care for the water, the land, the air and also remembering that God is with us and is still at work in the world. See you Sunday ~Heather