

Almonte United Church

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Sunday, September 28, 2025 10:30 am Truth and Reconciliation Sunday

Musical Prelude

Land Acknowledgement (in unison)

Let us begin our worship service by acknowledging that we are gathered on the traditional unceded ,unsurrendered territory of the Anishinaabe Algonguin People. As guests, we are honoured to gather here today and we thank all the generations of Anishinaabe Algonquin People who have and continue to take care of this beautiful land. We recognize and appreciate their historic connection to this place. We also value the contributions that Inuit , Metis, and other Indigenous Peoples have made, both in shaping and strengthening, this community, province and country. So with humility and gratitude for the land we stand on, let us Worship God.

Welcome and The Announcements

Call to Worship: (371, VU, vs 1, 3, and chorus) "Open my eyes, that I may see, Glimpses of truth thou hast for me; Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unclasp and set me free...

Chorus: Silently now I wait for thee, Ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, (heart) illumine me, Spirit divine!
Open my mouth, and let me bear Gladly the warm truth everywhere; Open my heart and let me prepare Love with thy children thus to share..."

Opening Hymn: 375 (vu) "Spirit of Gentleness"

Gathering Prayer:

God of all people, Great Spirit, Holy One, we pray that you might be with us now as we gather here on the land of ancient peoples. Give us a sense of justice so broken promises might be forgiven; ancient wrongs might be addressed; and new ways of treating others might begin to simmer in our hearts and minds. Be especially with us now we pray. Amen.

Children's Time with Gus and Gloria

Choir Anthem

The Scripture Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5: 17-20. Page 940. "Paul writes that through Christ, God has given us the ministry of reconciliation."

Meditation

Hymn: 27 (MV) "Creator God, You Gave Us Life"

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 and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: 713 (VU) "I See a New Heaven"

The Commissioning and Benediction

The singing of "O Canada"

Musical Postlude



CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 5th immediately following worship to ratify the amended Joint Needs Assessment (Community of Faith) profile. This is a necessary step in continuing our journey of looking for and hiring a new full-time minister. The profile will be sent out by email and hard copies will be available before the meeting.

TODAY AFTER CHURCH

The youth group will be selling an assortment of fall décor gathered from the land, after service today. Purchases are by donation.

Also, the Sunday School will be giving out special rocks in church and then you are invited to place your stone in "The River" outside after service.

Message from the AUC Pastoral Care Team

We are grateful to Joyce Nicholson who has lovingly sent cards on our behalf for two years. Going forward, we're delighted to announce that Bonnie Huskins will do that for us now.

Please let Bonnie know of any needs ... Bonniehuskins@gmail.com. 613 250-2389



Inendi; A Survivor's Story Film

Metis Elder Tony Belcourt will be holding a screening of the film, "Inendi" in the Sanctuary today, September 28th at 2:00 pm. Inendi is a documentary film featuring matriarch Mary Belle, who is a survivor of the Spanish Residential School for Girls in the 1940's and 50's. This screening is presented by Reconciliation Through Art, in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The doors open at 1:30 and the screening will start at 2pm. It's about 45 minutes long and will be followed by a discussion with the filmmaker, Sarain Fox, and her family.

Prior to the film screening at 1:15, on the Almonte United Church lawn there will be a very special presentation by Nimkii to perform the Hoop Dance. Nimkii is world-famous for his skill with Hoop Dancing, powwow dancing and traditional singing.





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, September 29

5:30 Taekwon Do

Tuesday, September 30

10:00 Mom and Baby Physio Workout 6:00 Almonte Embers

Wednesday, October 1

12:45 Carebridge Pilates 5:30 Taekwon Do

Thursday, October 2

10:00 Mom and Baby Physio Workout 6:00 Rhythm & Song Choir 7:00 Choir Practice

Friday, October 3

9:30 Lisa Kmiel Yoga 7:00 Sound Healing

Saturday, October 4

Sunday, October 5

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



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Office: Virginia Atkinson Counter this month: Ron MacMeekin and

Alan Paul

Greeter: Ron & Leslie Williamson Greeter next week: Ron & Mary MacMeekin

Reader: David Fewtrell
Reader next week: Mary Sproule
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.