



ALMONTE UNITED CHURCH

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026 10:30 AM

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: (688, vu)

“O day of God, draw nigh,
In beauty and in power,
Come with your timeless judgement now,
To match our present hour.”

Welcome and The Announcements

Hymn: 108 (vu) “Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights”

The Gathering Prayer:

Eternal God, we begin our Lenten journey knowing that you are with us always: in those times when we have strayed from your Way to follow our own own paths and, when we have felt your Holy Presence leading us in your Way of peace and love. Be especially with us now in all that we do together here, we pray; and again as we face the challenges of our everyday living in our modern world. Amen.

Children’s Time with Gus and Gloria

The Choir Anthem

The Mission Moment

The Scripture Lesson: Matthew 4: 1-11. Page 785. “ A hungry and thirsty Jesus is tempted in the desert.”
Meditation

Hymn: 115 (vu) “Jesus, Tempted in the Desert”

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

The Closing Hymn: 112 (vu) “O God, How We Have Wandered”

The Commissioning and Benediction

The Singing of “O Canada”

Musical Postlude



CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Coldest Night of the Year



It's hard to believe that there are youth in our county who have been without a place to call home in these frigid temperatures... but our AUC Youth Group is determined to take steps to make a difference. On **February 28th**, Team AUC will be hitting the streets of Carleton Place to help raise money for Cornerstone Landing, an organization working to prevent, reduce and end youth homelessness in Lanark County.

Here's how you can help:

1. **Donate! Online** at -

<https://cnoy.org/search?q=TeamAUC>

This takes you directly to our team page and you can donate to our whole team or individual walkers. Let us know if you need help doing this and we will be glad to assist.

OR

We will have a donation box here in church over the next 3 weeks. Money will be collected and then we can do the online piece for you.

2. **Join Us!** We would love to have you join our team. Check out

the Coldest Night Lanark County page for all the route details:

<https://cnoy.org/location/lanarkcounty>

3. **Cheer Us On and Learn More!** We know you are great at this!

Thank you for helping us walk for others and put our faith into action.

Margie and the AUC Youth

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2026

The World Day of Prayer is taking place on **March 6th, 2026** at **2:00 pm** at the Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church, 134 Bridge Street, Almonte.

A WINTER STUDY GROUP

If anyone is interested in participating in a winter study group, please speak with Rev. Heather.

Tax Receipts Are Ready

Please note that you may receive one or more donation receipts for 2025. Revenue Canada had allowed donors to use January & February 2025 for their 2024 tax deduction. ***If you did not request this for your 2024 taxes***, then the donation receipts for January & February 2025 will be included as a separate receipt in your donations for 2025. Please ensure you review the totals of one or more receipts to ensure totals match your total givings! Thank you for your continued financial support of Almonte United Church! If you have any questions regarding this please reach out to; rwatson1051@gmail.com or 613-314-2966.

Donation receipts will be available again today, Sunday Feb 22 in the Sanctuary. If you're not able to pick them up in person, they will be mailed out Monday Feb 23, 2026

Check out our Website at
www.almonteunited.com

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, February 23

5:30 Taekwon Do

Tuesday, February 24

10:00 Mom and Baby Physio Workout

5:30 Meditation Class

6:00 Almonte Embers

Wednesday, February 25

12:45 Carebridge Pilates

5:30 Taekwon Do

Thursday, February 26

10:00 Mom and Baby Physio Workout

11:30 Vicki Lafleur Exercise Group

7:00 AUC Choir Practice

Friday, February 27

9:30 Lisa Kmiel Yoga

Saturday, February 28

Sunday, March 1

10:30 Sunday Worship

Sunday School

Youth Group

7:00 Lindsey Lambden Yoga

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Counter this month:	Louise Owens & Donna Lowry
Greeter:	Ron & Mary MacMeekin
Greeter next week:	George & Linda Mills
Reader:	Bernadette vanDuyvendyk
Reader next week:	Eleanor Rintoul
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.***