

Almonte United Church

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Sunday, October 20, 2024 10:30 am

Since time immemorial, Indigenous peoples have lived on and cared for this land. We seek to rebuild right relations with the Algonquin Anishinaabe, to learn from them, and to live on their land with respect and gratitude.

The Musical Prelude

Welcome and The Announcements

The Call to Worship: (in unison) Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commandments; they are gracious, merciful and righteous. For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever. They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor, their righteousness endures forever. Let us worship God! (from Psalm 112)

Hymn: 218 (VU) "We praise you, O God"

The Gathering Prayer:

Great and glorious God, we gather here this morning mindful of the multitude of blessings that you bestow upon us. We also gather here mindful of those who, day after day, hunger for a good meal. So during this time of worship, feed our spirits with compassion and courage so we might share our bountiful blessings with the less fortunate in our midst; for we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Children's Time with Gus and Gloria

The Choir Anthem:" I Surrender All"

The Mission and Service Story

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16. Page 282. "When Elijah encounters a widow and asks for sustenance during a drought, she responds that there is nothing to eat at her home...that is until God intervenes."

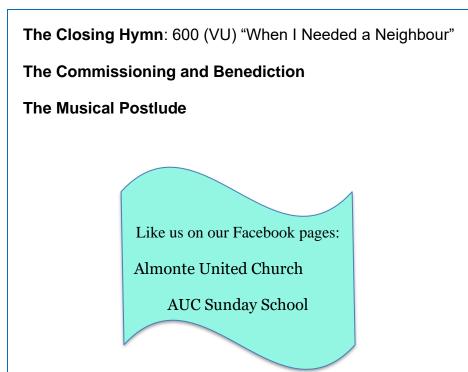
Meditation: "Sharing God's Goodness"

Hymn: 589 (VU) "Lord, Speak to Me"

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 Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.



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 <u>office@almonteunited.com</u> and please include contact information in the message line

your name and contact information in the message line.



Greeters Needed- We're looking for a few more people to join the Greeter Schedule. It's an easy yet important job. Duties including greeting folks at the door as they arrive and then passing the offering plate. Please let Rev. Heather know if this

is something you can help with once a month.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS



Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin. God lifts you up, takes you in, and washes all the dirt off of you. He opens you up, touches you deep inside and scoops out all the yucky stuff- including the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Then He carves you a new

smiling face and puts His light inside you to shine for the entire world to see.

This was passed onto me from another pumpkin. Now its your turn to pass it to a pumpkin. I liked this enough to send it to all the pumpkins in my patch. Happy Fall!

PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST



We are having a pumpkin carving contest/fundraiser/hotdog lunch on Saturday Oct. 26th, but we need pumpkins!!! Are any of you pumpkin growers and you have

more than you need - or - do you have any relatives or friends who might want to donate

some?? Any size or shape is fine!! Some of those "weird" pumpkins are the best for carving!!

If you can offer any pumpkins, please contact Evelyn Ironside at <u>Evelyn.ironside@gmail.com</u> or 613-863-0486 and she can make arrangements to pick them up!!

We will also be looking for pumpkins carving tools for the carving day and, if you are a baker we could always sell some Halloween inspired treats to make even more money!!

Many thanks in advance. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated.



Marvellous Monday Meals

A few weeks ago, someone asked if there was any possibility to buy some home-made meals. They had tried some of the services

that provide such meals and found them wanting. This was mentioned to a few people who thought that perhaps we could try to make some meals for anyone in the congregation that would like them. This will be a fundraising project that we will be doing on a trial basis in November and December. If there is interest it will continue in 2025.

We will be providing main course dishes, however, there is a possibility for desserts down the road. We will be cooking the meals and packaging them in the Church kitchen for pickup the same day. The cost will be determined by the price of the ingredients and by the weight of the package.

The plan is to do this the first Monday in November and December. The packaging will generally be dishwasher, microwave and freezer safe. These may be returned for reuse.

We will develop a list of choices that we will provide. This list will change each month. There will probably be three choices monthly. Two meat based and one vegetarian or vegan. A 'Menu' will be provided at least 10 days ahead and orders will need to be returned by the Wednesday prior to the prep and pickup day. The meals will be balanced and will use limited salt and no additives other than seasonings we all use in our homes. We will need to know what dietary restrictions or foods you want to avoid so we may try to. accommodate your needs. A list of ingredients will be provided

If you are interested in participating either to make the meals or to order the prepared meals, please let me know. We can chat further about the details.

marysmiley1@gmail.com Looking forward to connecting with

WHAT'S ON AT AUC THIS WEEK

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday from 10 to 2 Tuesday from 10 to 2 Thursday from 10 to 2

<u>Monday to Friday</u> 9:00 am Almonte Cooperative Nursery School

> Monday, October 21 5:30 Taekwon Do

<u>Tuesday, October 22</u> 10:00 Mom & Baby Physio Workout 6:30 Almonte Embers

> Wednesday, October 23 1:00 Carebridge Pilates 5:30 Taekwon Do 7:00 Choir Practice

<u>Thursday, October 24</u> 10:00 Mom & Baby Physio Workout 6:30 Rhythm & Song Choir

> Friday, October 25 9;30 Lis Kmiel Yoga

Saturday, October 26 10:30 AUC's Pumpkin Carving Contest

Sunday, October 27 10:30 Sunday Worship with Norma Wrightly Sunday School Youth Group 7:00 Lyndsey Lambden Yoga