

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. However, it also points out that there are many opportunities for researchers to learn from these challenges and to develop more effective research practices. The paper concludes by emphasizing the importance of ongoing dialogue and collaboration between researchers and the communities they study. This is essential for ensuring that research is relevant and useful to the communities it serves.

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**Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 10:30 am**

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

*May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

## **Musical Prelude**

## **Land Acknowledgment (Together)**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**The Call to Worship** (Sung together, 570, VU)

**“Jesus’ hands were kind hands,**

**Doing good to all,**

**Healing pain and sickness,**

**Blessing children small.**

**Washing tired feet,**

**And saving those who fall,**

**Jesus’ hands were kind hands,**

**Doing good to all.**

**Take my hands, O Jesus,**

**Let them work for you,**

**Make them strong and gentle,**

**Kind in all I do;**

**Let me watch you, Jesus,**

**Till I’m gentle too,**

**Till my hands are kind hands,**

**Quick to work for you.”**

**The Opening Hymn: 226 (vu) “For the Beauty of the Earth”**

### **The Gathering Prayer:**

One: We are a community of faith created by the love of God.

**All: We are a people set free by the word of forgiveness in Jesus Christ.**

One: We have come, not to parade our own goodness, but to praise the holiness of God.

**All: We have come, not to boast of our own efforts, but to proclaim the redeeming work of Jesus Christ. So with all our being, we praise you, O God, and tell about all your kindness toward us. Let us worship God!**

### **My UC Faith Story**

**The Scripture Lesson:** Mark 2:1-22. (Page 813) “Jesus Heals a Paralytic”

**Meditation:** “Benjamin’s Dramatic Healing”

**Hymn:** 608 (vu) “Dear God, Who Loves All Humankind”

**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:** 681 (vu) “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

**The Commissioning and Benediction**

**Singing of “O Canada”**

**Musical Postlude**



## CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

### THE HUNGER STOP Lanark County Food Bank



Dear Almonte United Church,

Your kindness enables us to continue our vital mission of providing emergency food hampers to the more than 1,900 people who come to our doors each month. Your support and compassion make our community a better place for everyone.

Your support provides more than just funds – it promises dignity, love, and hope for the families we serve.

Again, our thanks and best wishes throughout the year.



Lanark County Food Bank – The Hunger Stop

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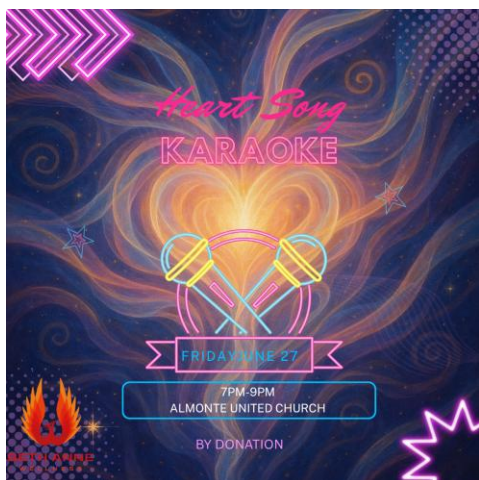


### Remembering Ernie Preston

There will be a funeral tomorrow, Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup> for Ernie Preston at 11:00 in the Sanctuary. Following the funeral, there will be light refreshments served at the reception to be held in the Social Hall.



Next Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup>, join us in the Social Hall after service, for cake to celebrate all the July Birthdays!



## Heart Song Karaoke

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

On **Thursday, July 31st, 7pm-9pm** at the Almonte United Church Hall. No experience needed. All are welcome. Tea and snacks provided.

Contact Beth at [bethannewellness@gmail.com](mailto:bethannewellness@gmail.com) or call 416-904-8994 to learn more or join.

# WHAT'S ON AT AUC THIS WEEK

## OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm**

Monday, July 21

**11:00 Funeral for Ernie Preston & Reception to follow**  
**5:30 Taekwon Do**

Tuesday, July 22

Wednesday, July 23

**5:30 Taekwon Do**

Thursday, July 24

**7:00 Council Meeting**

Friday July 25

**7:00 Sound Healing**

Saturday, July 26

Sunday, July 27

**10:30 Sunday Worship**



## **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](mailto:office@almonteunited.com) and please include

your name and contact information in the message line.



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<b>Choir Director:</b>	<b>Neil Milnes</b>
<b>Guest Pianist:</b>	<b>David Fewtrell</b>
<b>Custodian:</b>	<b>Kim Julian</b>
<b>Office:</b>	<b>Virginia Atkinson</b>
<b>Counter this month:</b>	<b>Ron MacMeekin &amp; Alan Paul</b>
<b>Greeter:</b>	<b>Dolly Toshack &amp; Kathy Stewart</b>
<b>Greeter next week:</b>	<b>Ron &amp; Leslie Williamson</b>
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>Laurie Blackstock</b>
<b>Reader next week:</b>	<b>Terri-Lynn Funnekotter</b>
<b>Sunday School:</b>	<b>Margie Graff</b>
<b>Sound System</b>	<b>Bob Lesser &amp; Laurie Blackstock John Day</b>

***N.B. We have an automated external defibrillator!***  
**It can be found on the table outside the office door.**