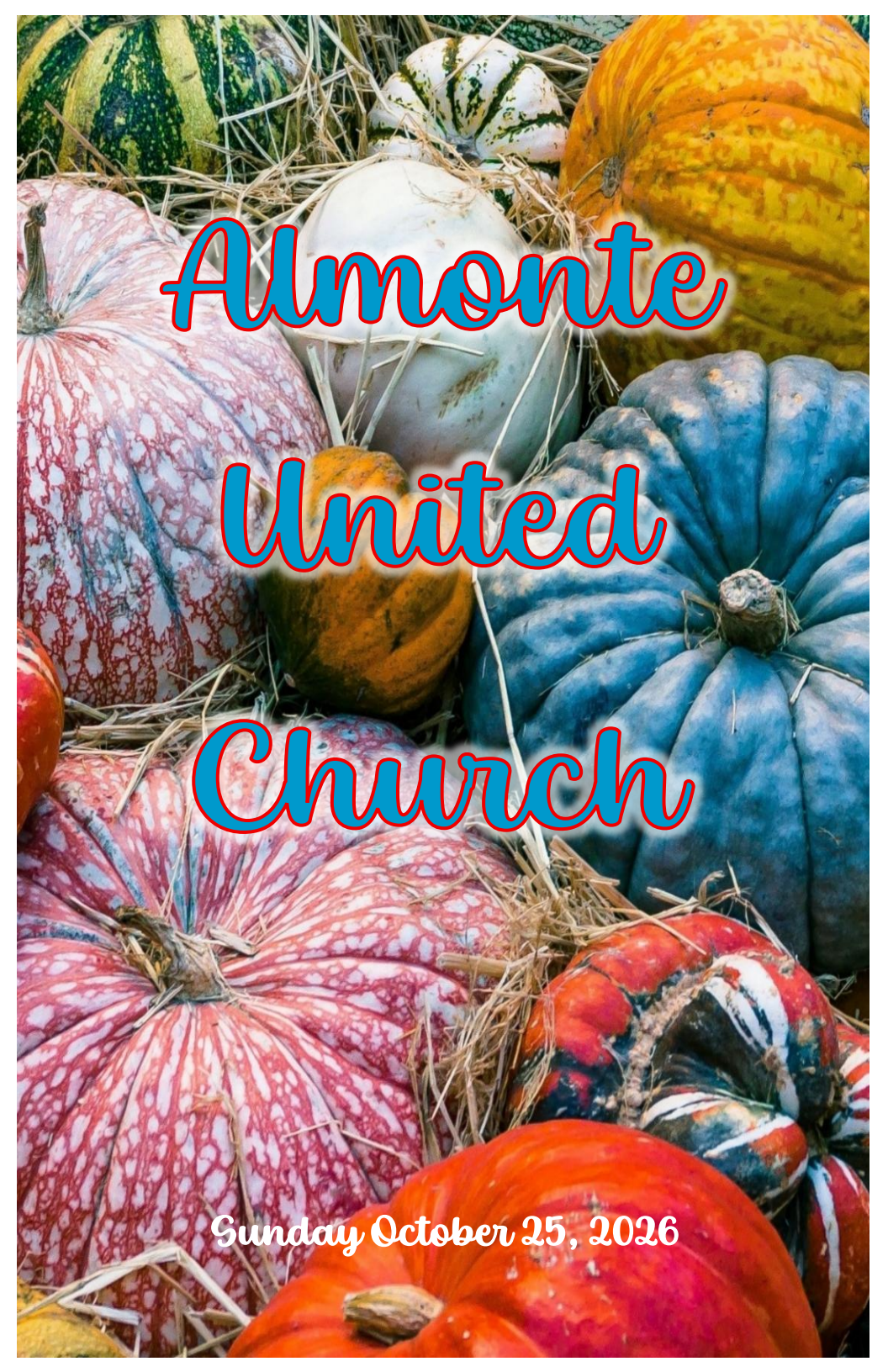




Almonte United Church

Sunday October 25, 2026

ALMONTE UNITED CHURCH

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Sunday October 25, 2026 10:30 am

Reformation Sunday

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle

One: We light this candle to remind us that God is with us.
The light of Christ burns in the world.

All: Thanks be to God.

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.

Announcements

Opening Hymn: VU # 262 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Call to Worship

One: Welcome to worship, come in from your week, and be present in this place.

All: We are here because God has called us.

One: Before we spoke a word, God spoke love to us.

All: Before we came looking for God, God came looking for us.

One: When Jesus was asked which commandment was greatest, he answered:

All: Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind, and love your neighbour as yourself.

One: This is the covenant God offers, and the call we answer.

All: Here we are, called and loved. Let us worship God.

Gathering Prayer (unison)

Loving God, you ask us to love you with our heart, soul, and mind.

We admit that our hearts are often divided, our minds distracted, and our love for our neighbours thin.

Gather us in this hour and make us whole again.

Re-form us by your Spirit, as you have re-formed your church in every age.

Show us how to love you, our neighbours and ourselves, today and every day.

Amen.

Hymn: MV 28 “God of the Bible”

Learning the Faith: What Matters Most?

Anthem

Scripture: Matthew 22:34-46

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon: Everything Hangs on This

Hymn : MV #216 “Where Ever You May Go, I Will Follow”

Offering

Offering Song: MV 191 “What can I do” (2x’s)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn: VU # 686 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Commissioning

One: We have heard what matters most: love God, and love your neighbour.

All: Now we carry that love out the door.

One: Out into our homes, our streets, our workplaces, and our town,

All: we go to love with heart, soul, and mind.

One: Where people are hungry, lonely, or left out,

All: we go to be neighbours.

One: God has called us, gathered us, and fed us with grace.

All: Now God sends us out. We go in love.

Benediction

Postlude

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Seeking help with Sunday coffee time

We are looking for some help with the coffee and treats set up that takes place after Sunday service. If you’d like to help, there is a sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board, just as you enter the Social Hall. Thank you, the help is greatly appreciated

It's Time to Fill Up Meryl!

This year's annual Youth Group Food Drive goal is to fill up Meryl, the pickup truck! Over the next three weeks, we will be collecting non-perishable food items, grocery store gift cards, and cash donations to support The Hunger Stop, Lanark County Food Bank. Each week, we will be sharing important information on the state of food security here in Lanark County and how we can all make a difference. Below is a list of most needed items and then a list of things the food bank cannot accept.

We will be packing everything up and heading to the Food Bank at the beginning of November to help sort and shelve donations from us and the community at large. (This is our third year of volunteering at the Food Bank and we can get through a lot in one evening!)

THANK YOU for helping us help our neighbours!

Most Wanted Items:

- cleaning supplies
- personal hygiene supplies
- Hamburger/Tuna Helper
- taco kits
- easy sides (instant potatoes, boxed stuffing, Sidekicks, rice pouches)
- condiments
- 1L juice
- jarred or pouched baby/infant food
- kid snacks (granola bars, fruit cups, juice boxes, cheese & crackers)
- cereal

Unfortunately, we **cannot** accept the following:

- home-made foods,
- expired,
- opened items where the contents have been exposed (i.e., coffee, diapers, dry pet food, etc.),
- alcoholic beverages or beverages that look like alcoholic beverages,
- energy drinks,
- over-the-counter medicine



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 and please include 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.

Like us on our Facebook pages:

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AUC Sunday School

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, October 26

10:00 Lindsey Lambden Yoga

5:30 Taekwon Do

Tuesday, October 27

10:00 Mom & Baby Physio

6:00 Almonte Embers

Wednesday, October 28

10:00 Church confirmation meeting

12:45 Carebridge Pilates

5:30 Taekwon Do

7:00 Choir Practice

Thursday, October 29

3:00 Book study group

5:30 Lindsey Lambden Yoga

7:00 Council meeting

Friday, October 30

9:30 Lisa Kmiel Yoga

6:00 Beth Anne Wellness

Saturday, October 32

Sunday, November 1

10:30 Sunday Worship

Sunday School

Youth Group

2:00 Bernie Leclair Sound Healing

7:00 Lindsey Lambden Yoga

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Greeter next week:	Marina Johnston & Kathy Stewart
Reader:	Liz Barron
Reader next week:	Youth Group
Sunday School:	Margie Graff
Sound System	Bob Lesser & Laurie Blackstock



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door.**