# Bethel United Church

## 2023 Annual Report

*Rev. Lynne Gardiner*
*Pastor*

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,*
*just as, in fact you are doing.*

*1 Thessalonians 5: 11*

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Rideau Ferry, ON

Rideau Ferry Bethel Pastoral Charge

Bethel United Church

Annual Report 2023

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# OUR MISSION

To be an active Christian presence in our community

# OUR GOALS

We will work together for the benefit of the church and for the benefit of the Rideau Ferry Bethel Pastoral Charge

We will maintain and promote our Christian presence by rejoicing, renewing, responding, and reaching out to our members and adherents and to the community

We will investigate ways to work within our community to improve people's lives by:

- identifying existing organisations with outreach programs and determining how we can help
- raising awareness through the bulletin, newsletters, and social media
- staying in touch with people using traditional methods and technology





## ***Minister's Message***

***Isaiah 40:31 ~ But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.***

***Theme song from the TV show 'Cheers' ~ "Sometimes you want to go where everybody knows your name, and they're always glad you came"***

It is with an abundance of gratitude that I write this year's message for the Annual Report. Bethel is really an astonishing place to serve as Minister; it continues to be a place of great hope and momentum forward in Christ's name for me, for our own Community of Faith and for the Rideau Ferry community and beyond.

As a community, we are gaining a reputation for our outreach and our thriving ministries. In conversation with two acquaintances last week, they commented to me that they "stalked" our website and our Facebook page and have been surprised and impressed by the work that we do as a Community. They noted that not only did we do a lot, but we also seemed to really enjoy being in community with each other. I smiled when I heard this because, yes, we do. This is a place where we do much, but most importantly we do things together, and work hard to love and support each other. This is a community where everyone really does know your name, and they really are glad you came, to quote the song above.

In the past year we completed the "greening" of Bethel and are happily enjoying a physical plant that not only is quite comfortable, but also is respectful of God's good creation. The 'write-up' on the Faithful Footprints website described us as "the little church where everyone pitches in". Remarkable and true words.

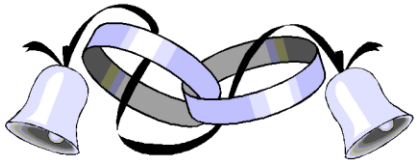
We have also begun ensuring that all who want to come worship with Bethel, can, by improving our access and inclusion with the installation of a second accessible washroom and plans for a new accessible entranceway. We continue with a robust worshiping congregation both in our sanctuary and virtually; with our streaming worship typically accessed between 80 and 100 times, and between 40 and 50 in our sanctuary on Sunday morning. Our "chat and chew" group on Tuesdays has expanded to include people from Trinity in Smiths Falls, and undertook creating "Izzy Dolls". We even were featured on CTV because of our work with this group! Our weekly Zoom Prayer and Share also continues with faithful people holding our community in prayer on a weekly basis.

All of this, plus the ongoing faithfulness of Bethel's UCW that continues to fundraise and support both the Bethel community, and other agencies such as M & S, the Guatemala Stove Project, Lanark County Interval House and so much more; our Stewardship Committee with its vast array of fundraising efforts and outreach activities such as the Spring Ecumenical service, and the Picnic Service; our Trustees who maintain a faithful use of our finances; our Session that plans all of the worship activities, our M & P who support and care for me, and our Property Angels who ensure that everything in our space is safe and well -maintained.

Coming through the pandemic was not an easy task, and yet, our "strength has been renewed".
We are a wonderful, thriving community of Faith, for which I am most grateful.

Blessings,
*Reverend Lynne*

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



MARRIAGES: *none*



BAPTISMS: *none*



NEW MEMBERS: *none*



## DEATHS/BURIALS/MEMORIALS

| | |
|---|---|
| Mark Wilcox | January 2023 |
| June Moodie | January 2023 |
| Peter Joynt | June 2023 |
| Joyce McAusland | July 2023 |
| Henriette LaPorte | August 2023 |
| Arthur Miller | September 2023 |
| Dennis Dwyer | November 2023 |

## ***Ministry and Personnel Committee***



October 1st 2023, saw Reverend Lynne celebrate her fourth anniversary with Bethel. The M&P Committee, along with Bethel's wider church community of faith is dedicated to supporting her many roles and initiatives.

Bethel employees are regularly invited to attend any and all M&P Committee meetings, to share information, ask questions or discuss issues of concern as they arise. The members of the Ministry and Personnel Committee met with Reverend Lynne three times in 2023 (March 20th, June 12th and December 4th).

The general focus of these meetings continues to be: Study Leave/Vacation, The Work of Bethel, Pastoral Care, Work of the Region and Wider Church Responsibilities and Wellness. Motions needed for the Board were submitted as required.

With Reverend Lynne's direction and experienced leadership, Bethel continues to be a strong, active and progressive-thinking community. Reverend Lynne…..We Thank You!

Submitted by
*Brenda Gray*
*Bob Klatt*
*Jennifer Miller*
*Kathleen Williamson.*

## ***Stewardship Committee***

Members of the Stewardship Committee in 2023 included Ashley Walker, Sandra Walker, Sue Miller, Calvin Miller, Ruth Anne Johnson, Carol Husband, Paul Coutts, and Karen Hunt.

At Bethel, stewardship activities continue to be not just fundraising activities but also opportunities through which we can reach out to welcome all to our Church Family and a way of providing support and comfort for one other and others in the broader community, locally and further afield.

In 2023 we continued to be cautious about organizing numerous large in-person events both from a health perspective (spread of infectious diseases) but also not wanting to overload the Stewardship Team and the broader Bethel Community.

Activities of the Stewardship Committee in 2023 included:

- Organizing the Minute for Mission story readers list which provides readers for each Sunday Service and connects the readers with the Minute for Mission story provided by Mission and Service of the United Church of Canada**.**
- On Sunday, January 15th the Stewardship Committee organized a fellowship with refreshments which was shared after the "postponed" Christmas Eve Service. Almost everyone who was in church that morning stayed for the fellowship and enjoyed the opportunity to re-connect with one another after the Christmas pause.
- On Sunday, January 29th, a Tourtière Lunch following the Sunday Service was both a fundraising and an outreach/fellowship activity. This was a very positive, much enjoyed event. Many thanks to Sue Miller who made the delicious tourtières.
- On April 1st and April 29th Pancake Breakfasts were held celebrating Ontario Maple Weekend (April 1) and Maple Fest (April 29). As well as being successful fundraisers, the pancake breakfasts provided opportunities for members of our Bethel community and others in the broader community to connect with one another. We were fortunate to partner with Oliver's Maple Works for this event. They generously provided the maple syrup for the Pancake Breakfasts and we promoted their delicious maple syrup.
- During Lent, we worked with the UCW to carry out a Lenten Project in support of the work of Interval House. The project was very well supported by the Bethel Community and both the monetary ($2,126.50) and material contributions were gratefully received by Interval House and its clients.

- On Sunday July 9th, Stewardship and Session worked together to organize a community potluck supper with fellowship and a short message provided by Rev. Lynne. There was participation by members of several local churches as well as from our Bethel congregation. Participants were very positive.
- On Sunday, July 30th Stewardship organized a Summer Picnic following the Outdoor Service led by Session at the Rideau Ferry Yacht Club Conservation Area Picnic Shelter Area. This special event was much enjoyed by all (35 -40 people attended)
- During Bethel's annual Fall Stewardship Outreach Campaign in November, the Bethel congregation generously donated $1,855.00 in support of the Lanark, Leeds and Grenville Children's and Family Services Snowsuit Fund.
- In November, the Annual Bethel Christmas Newsletter was prepared for distribution to members of the Bethel Community.
- On Sunday, December 10th the Stewardship Committee organized a Christmas Sing-a-long following the UCW's Soup and Sandwich Lunch to provide an opportunity for members of the Bethel Family to enjoy together some favourite Christmas songs. Several comments were shared hoping that this event would be repeated in 2024.
- For White Gift Sunday on December 17th members of the Bethel congregation were invited to place a contribution in one of the white envelopes which had been provided in the pews. The monies contributed ($1,210.00) were directed to the local Food Banks (The Table (Perth) and the Smiths Falls Community Food Bank in Smiths Falls).

The Stewardship Committee appreciates the ongoing support of the Bethel congregation for all our activities throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen Hunt*

## ***Property Committee***



Members of the committee are Paul Coutts, Bob Klatt, Barb Joynt (UCW representative), Janis de Salvo, Calvin Miller, Vicki McClatchie

Projects completed this year:

- A second bathroom was installed in the space previously used for storage. Classic Lines Construction was engaged for this renovation. A grant for half the estimated c cost was received from an EOORC fund to help churches be more accessible.
- The heat pump pipes were enclosed.
- A new door for the entrance by the office has been ordered.
- Members of the committee met and discussed other renovations that may be needed in the future for accessibility.

Janis de Salvo has volunteered to monitor the water testing. The water was tested and is safe. Calvin Miller and David Coutts continue on “mouse patrol”.

Sandra Milotte cleans every two weeks for two hours. Many others clean up gravel and flies before church. We have a congregation where everyone takes responsibility for keeping our property in tip-top shape. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
*Ruth Anne Johnson*




## ***Trustees***

The $200,000.00 investment made with the EOORC has done well despite poor overall stock market performance. The current value of the investment is $213,233.

The balance in the trustees' bank account stands at $46,152.00.

Funds from the trustees general account have been used to support the construction of the new restroom and new door for the hall.

The new web page for Bethel is now live at www.bethelchurchrideauferry.ca and discussions are ongoing as to what additional functionality we would like to have implemented.

Respectfully submitted by Chair and Secretary
*Jack Johnson*

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## ***Choir***

The following are members of the choir:
Heather Thompson, Barb Joynt, Gail Bradley, Anne Dowie, Janis Capes, Jan Gardiner, Chris McColl, John Gray, Lorne Gardiner, Hugh Gardiner
This dedicated group leads the congregation every Sunday along with our amazing Reverend Lynne. We enjoy visits from Emily Gardiner to augment the sopranos and to offer special music. We also appreciate the skill of Hugh Gardiner on the saxophone.
It has been a challenge to continue to celebrate with music under pandemic restrictions, but the choir members have been committed to staying safe.



Submitted by,
*Ruth Anne Johnson*
*Carol Husband*



## ***Session***

**Elders:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Heather Thompson | Joint Clerk of Session |
| Sandra Walker | Joint Clerk of Session |
| Paul Coutts | Linda Hamon |
| Karen Hunt | Christine McColl |
| Rev. Lynne Gardiner | |

In the year 2023, there were six (6) Session meetings held, which dealt with upcoming worship services, reviewing past worship services, updating the emergency call list and revising the Funeral Brochure. The Sacrament of Holy Communion was celebrated six (6) times. Pulpit supply included Norma Wrightly, Barb de Jeet, and Sharon MacDonald when Rev. Gardener was away.

Session offered a Church in the Round service on Good Friday. We hosted our first Dinner Church in July which was a very successful evening with good attendance. The annual Picnic Service was held outdoors at the Rideau Ferry Yacht Club beach. We enjoyed a beautiful sunny day with games and hamburgers courtesy of the Stewardship Committee. At the Anniversary service we enjoyed Myra Garvin as our guest speaker. We had an Advent outreach project with a special offering, jointly with the Stewardship Committee in October. In November we held a Remembrance service and in December we held a Blue Christmas service, and the Christmas Eve service. There was no eleven o'clock service December24th or on December 31st.

There were no Baptisms or Wedding ceremonies celebrated in 2023

Respectfully submitted,
*Heather Thompson*
*Sandra Walker*

## *United Church Women*

UCW Purpose
*To unite women of the community of faith for the total mission of the Church, and to provide a means through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian Witness, Study, Fellowship and Service.*

We begin all the meetings reciting the above UCW purpose and keep it in mind in all we do for our congregation and community at large.

We were very glad to begin 2023 with a potluck lunch following the first meeting of the New Year.

The first Soup and Sandwich lunch was held on February 26th followed by the Annual Congregational Meeting.
Soup and Sandwich lunches were held on March 26th October 29th and December 10th.
Many UCW members also helped out with the pancake breakfasts hosted by the Stewardship Committee.

On Sunday, May 14th we honoured three (3) UCW members, Barb Joynt, Joy Joynt, and Sue Miller, with a UCW Life Membership. We hope to continue this tradition, yearly.

On Friday, June 16th we provided lunch for the 10 clergy attending a planning meeting hosted by Rev. Lynne.

The annual ecumenical World Day of Prayer was held on the Friday, on March 3rd at St. James the Apostle Anglican Church. As Bethel's UCW president I attend the planning meetings with a wonderful ecumenical group of women from Perth and area.

We had a very successful summer bake sale on July 1st thanks to the efforts of all who donated baked goods.

The Cookie Order/Christmas Bake Sale continues to be very successful. We took pre-orders for mixed cookies and the UCW ladies and many others from the congregation provided pies, cakes, and other baked goods. We continue to sell household related items such as dish cloths, "scrubbies", potholders, and kitchen towels as these sell very well.

As you will see in the UCW Financial Report (*Donations*) we were able to maintain our financial commitment to Bethel UC and make many of our usual community donations including a generous donation for the MRI machine installed at the Smiths Falls site of the Perth and Smiths Falls District Hospital. Without your help we wouldn't be able to continue our outreach in the community. Many thanks to all who contributed to and supported our fundraising efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
*Linda Hamon*

# *Bethel UCW Financial Report*

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| | Bethel U.C.W. Financial Report | |
|---|---|---|
| | **2023** | **2022** |
| ***General Account*** | | |
| **Receipts** | | |
| Sales | **$11,397.50** | $12,950.50 |
| Offering | **352.15** | 170.00 |
| Donations | **130.00** | 120.00 |
| Birthday Box | **39.85** | 29.00 |
| G.S.T. refund | **0.00** | 0.00 |
| **Total** | **$11,919.50** | $13,269.50 |
| **Expenditures** | | |
| Donations | **$15,500.00** | $12,000.00 |
| Dues | **237.00** | 230.00 |
| Supplies | **135.58** | 211.20 |
| Petty Cash | **300.00** | 200.00 |
| Misc. | **494.48** | 195.34 |
| **Total** | **$16,667.06** | $12,836.54 |
| Net excess of (expenditures over receipts) receipts over expenditures | **($4,747.56)** | $432.96 |
| Balance - opening | **9285.21** | 8,852.25 |
| **Balance - closing** | **$4,537.65** | $9,285.21 |

# *Bethel UCW Financial Report*

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## *Donations Report*

| | | | Bethel U.C.W. Donations Report | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 2023 | 2022 |
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| **Bethel United Church** | | | **$10,000.00** | $10,200.00 |
| **Mission and Service** | | | **1,000.00** | 800.00 |
| **Hospice Palliative Care** | | | **0.00** | 200.00 |
| **Perth and district food bank** | | | **1,000.00** | 0.00 |
| **Smiths Falls community food bank** | | | **1,000.00** | 0.00 |
| **Interval house** | | | **0.00** | 0.00 |
| **Big Brothers and Sisters** | | | **200.00** | 0.00 |
| **Perth Smiths Falls Community Hospital** | | | **1,000.00** | 0.00 |
| **Salvation Army - Smiths Falls** | | | **200.00** | 0.00 |
| **Snow suit fund** | | | **0.00** | 500.00 |
| **Myeloma Canada** | | | **50.00** | 0.00 |
| **Kid's help line** | | | **500.00** | 0.00 |
| **Saltos Athletics** | | | **0.00** | 300.00 |
| **Cornerstone Landing Youth Services** | | | **200.00** | 0.00 |
| **Guatamala Stove Project** | | | **300.00** | 0.00 |
| **Terry Fox Foundation** | | | **50.00** | 0.00 |
| **Total** | | | **$15,500.00** | $12,000.00 |



## *Bethel Summer Golf*

What a great summer of fun and comradeship we had. We were even able to contribute $450.75 to the church from the golfers' participation donations and contests at our closing tournament.

We had an average of 22 golfers bi-weekly from our roster of 28 players both members of Bethel and friends of members of Bethel.

Our season closed with an end of the year tournament enjoyed by 21 golfers plus 8 guests who joined us for a lovely dinner catered to by Mapleview and amazing desserts donated by Kirsten Olsen.

Due to the generosity of everyone who donated prizes we were able to present the following people with a reward for their skill

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| Longest Drive | Bill Hughes |
| | Rose Closs |
| Closest to the rope | Keith Gaylord |
| | Lois Klatt |
| Closest to pin | Gardie Church |
| | Anne Neilson |
| Closest to the ghost | Keith Gaylord |
| | Kirsten Olsen |

I want to thank everyone who have always been ready and willing to help. Especially the Bradley's, Hughes, Klatt's and Sylvia McNamee.
I hope someone will take on the task of organizing the Bethel Golf in the future as we had lots of laughs, met new people and enjoyed our time together very much.

Submitted by,
*Joanne Hollywood*



## *Rideau Ferry Bethel Pastoral Charge – 2023*



The following reports are included:

Bethel United Church Financial Report for 2023

Bethel United Church Budget proposed for 2024

*Bethel United Church Financial Report – 2023*

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Receipts

| Bethel United Church | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| As at December 31,2023 | | | | | | |
| | | Operating | | Stewardship | | |
| Balance January 1, 2023 | | 7,707.17 | | 2,140.75 | | 9,847.92 |
| | | | | | | |
| Receipts | Local Support | 69,806.19 | | | | |
| | Loose Collection | 1,738.00 | | | | |
| | Mission & Service | 7,288.00 | | | | |
| | Bathroom Grant | 2,425.00 | | | | |
| | Bethel - UCW | 10,000.00 | | | | |
| | Energy Grant | 19,000.00 | | | | |
| | Golf Donation | 450.75 | | | | |
| | GST/HST Rebate | 3,685.28 | | | | |
| | Memorial Donations | 1,927.66 | | | | |
| | Stewardship - Lenten Appeal | | | 2,126.50 | | |
| | Stewardship - Lunch | | | 626.00 | | |
| | Stewardship - Pancake Breakfast | | | 2,640.00 | | |
| | Stewardship - Picnic | | | 362.00 | | |
| | Stewardship - Snowsuit Fund | | | 1,855.00 | | |
| | Stewardship - White Gift | | | 1,210.00 | | |
| | Trustees | 30,000.00 | | | | |
| | Broadview | 75.00 | | | | |
| | Lunch Bunch | 691.10 | | | | |
| | Building Donation | 760.00 | | | | |
| | Rental | 550.00 | | | | |
| | Stove Project | 111.00 | | | | |
| | Supply Donation | 60.00 | | | | |
| | | 148,567.98 | | 8,819.50 | | 157,387.48 |

Disbursements

| Bethel United Church | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| As at December 31,2023 | | | | | | |
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| Disbursements | | | | | | |
| | Salary/Benefits | 85,135.50 | | | | |
| | Continuing Education | 1,374.78 | | | | |
| | Travel | 1,016.21 | | | | |
| | Pulpit Supply | 1,849.00 | | | | |
| | Internet/Zoom/Donation/Website | 1,877.71 | | | | |
| | Website Setup | 2,825.00 | | | | |
| | Regional Dues | 4,912.00 | | | | |
| | Bank Charges | 132.67 | | | | |
| | Par Cost | 205.00 | | | | |
| | Gifts | 696.05 | | | | |
| | Music Licence | 354.00 | | | | |
| | Office - Secretary | 169.47 | | | | |
| | Office - Treasurer | 155.85 | | | | |
| | Photocopier Expense | 435.24 | | | | |
| | Photocopier Lease | 826.70 | | | | |
| | Telephone | 220.52 | | | | |
| | Church - Bathroom | 2,294.24 | | | | |
| | Church - Cleaning | 1,460.00 | | | | |
| | Church - Steel Door | 2,108.58 | | | | |
| | Church - Hydro | 2,596.88 | | | | |
| | Church - Insurance | 3,352.28 | | | | |
| | Church - R&M | 697.71 | | | | |
| | Church - Repairs | 9,663.69 | | | | |
| | Church - Snow Plowing/Grass | 2,588.25 | | | | |
| | Church - Septic/Water | 1,078.83 | | | | |
| | Energy Upgrade | 8,010.08 | | | | |
| | Broadview | 100.00 | | | | |
| | Mission & Services | 7,288.00 | | | | |
| | Treasurer Honorariumn | 500.00 | | | | |
| | Stewardship - Expenses | | | 858.26 | | |
| | Stewardship - Lenten Appeal | | | 2,126.50 | | |
| | Stewardship - Snowsuit Fund | | | 1,855.00 | | |
| | Stewardship - White Gift | | | 1,210.00 | | |
| | Stove Project | 111.00 | | | | |
| | | 144,035.24 | | 6,049.76 | | 150,085.00 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | 12,239.91 | | 4,910.49 | | 17,150.40 |

*Bethel United Church Budget proposed for 2024*

| Budget Bethel Pastoral Charge:Rideau Ferry | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Budget** | **Actual** | **Budget** |
| | **2023** | **Dec 31/23** | **2024** |
| **Expenses** | | | |
| Salary/Benefits | 83,593 | 85,136 | 88,280 |
| Travel | 1,200 | 1,016 | 1,200 |
| Con. Ed./Book Allowance | 1,541 | 1,375 | 1,640 |
| Gifts | 700 | 696 | 700 |
| Lay Training Fund | 3,000 | 0 | 3,000 |
| Pulpit Supply | 1,400 | 1,849 | 1,700 |
| Music License | 500 | 354 | 400 |
| Treasurer Hon. | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| Internet/Zoom/Donation/Website | 1,750 | 1,878 | 2,100 |
| Website Setup | 0 | 2,825 | 0 |
| Regional AGM | 500 | 0 | 500 |
| Regional Dues | 4,200 | 4,912 | 4,204 |
| Office (Minister) | 100 | 0 | 100 |
| Office (Secretary) | 100 | 169 | 100 |
| Office (Treasurer) | 200 | 156 | 250 |
| Telephone | 325 | 221 | 240 |
| Par Cost/Bank Charges | 325 | 338 | 350 |
| Photocopier Expenses | 200 | 435 | 350 |
| Photocopier Lease | 800 | 827 | 800 |
| Church - Cleaning | 1,200 | 1,460 | 1,440 |
| Church - Grass/Snow | 1,000 | 2,588 | 2,500 |
| Church - Hydro | 4,600 | 2,597 | 2,500 |
| Church - Insurance | 2,940 | 3,352 | 3,400 |
| Church - Maintenance | 500 | 698 | 700 |
| Church - Water/Septic | 500 | 1,079 | 500 |
| Miscellaneous | 46 | 0 | 46 |
| TOTAL | 111,720 | 114,461 | 117,500 |

**2023 CHRONOLOGY**
**Life and Work of Bethel United Church**

***January***

| | |
|---|---|
| January 1 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner away; |
| | links to other worship services provided to Bethel folks |
| January 4 | funeral - Mark Wilcox |
| January 8 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| January 10 | UCW meeting followed by a potluck lunch |
| January 11 | funeral – June Moodie |
| January 12 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| January 15 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Stewardship committee meeting |
| January 17 | Chat & Chew |
| January 18 | Addison United Church Council Meeting |
| | Regional Strategic Plan |
| January 19 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| January 22 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| January 23 | Regional Executive |
| January 24 | Chat & Chew |
| January 26 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| | Regional Communications Team |
| January 29 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Stewardship committee hosts a tourtière lunch |
| January 31 | UCW meeting; Chat & Chew |
| | Annual Theology Conference Planning Group |

***February***

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| February 2 | Zoom Prayer & Share; Session meeting |
| February 5 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| February 7 | Chat & Chew |
| February 8 | Minister's Day away planning group |
| February 9 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| | Clergy consultation meeting |
| February 12 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| February 14 | Chat & Chew |
| February 15 | Annual Theology Conference planning Group |
| | Camp Awesome planning group |
| February 16 | Zoom Prayer & Share |

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|---|---|
| February 19 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner;<br>Lenten project to support Lanark County Interval House begins |
| February 21 | Chat & Chew<br>Clergy Day Away |
| February 23 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| February 26 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Lent 1; soup & sandwich lunch; Annual Congregational Meeting |

***March***

| | |
|---|---|
| March 1 | Addison United Church Council |
| March 2 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| March 4 | Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council Meeting |
| March 5 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Lent 2; Stewardship committee meeting |
| March 7 | UCW meeting; Chat & Chew |
| March 8 | Zoom Bible Study<br>Camp Awesome Meeting |
| March 9 | Zoom Prayer & Share<br>General Council, E & S committee |
| March 12 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Lent 3<br>Addison United Church Annual Meeting |
| March 14 | Chat & Chew<br>Annual Theology Conference Planning Group |
| March 15 | Zoom Bible Study |
| March 16 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| March 19 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Lent 4; |
| March 20 | M & P meeting |
| March 21 | Chat & Chew |
| March 22 | Zoom Bible Study<br>EOORC Annual Meeting Planning Group |
| March 23 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| March 26 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Lent 5; Session meeting |
| March 28 | Chat & Chew |
| March 29 | Zoom Bible Study |
| March 30 | Zoom Prayer & Share |

***April***

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|---|---|
| April 1 | Stewardship hosts a pancake breakfast |
| April 2 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Palm Sunday; |
| April 4 | UCW meeting; Chat & Chew |

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|---|---|
| April 5 | Zoom Bible Study |
| April 6 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| April 7 | Good Friday; “Church in the Round” followed by a potluck supper |
| April 9 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Easter Sunday; |
| April 12 | Zoom Bible Study |
| April 16 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner off; Norma Wrightly, LLWL, leads worship; |
| April 18 | Chat & Chew |
| | Annual Theology Conference Planning Group |
| April 19 | Zoom Bible Study |
| April 20 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| April 23 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner off; Sharon McDonald, LLWL leads worship |
| April 25 | Chat & Chew |
| April 26 | Zoom Bible Study |
| April 27 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| | Clergy meeting, Perth |
| April 29 | Stewardship hosts a pancake breakfast |
| April 30 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |

***May***

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| May 2 | UCW meeting; Chat & Chew |
| May 3 | Zoom Bible Study |
| May 4 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| May 7 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Stewardship committee meeting |
| May 9 | Chat & Chew |
| May 10 | Zoom Bible Study |
| May 11 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| | Annual Theology Conference Planning Group |
| May 14 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| May 16 | Chat & Chew |
| May 17 | Zoom Bible Study |
| May 18 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| May 21 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| May 23 | Chat & Chew |
| May 24 | Zoom Bible Study |
| May 25 | Zoom Prayer & Share; Official Board meeting |
| May 26/27 | Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council Annual Meeting |
| May 28 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| May 30 | Chat & Chew |
| May 31 | Zoom Bible Study |

***June***

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| June 1 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| June 4 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| June 6 | UCW meeting followed by a potluck lunch; Chat & Chew |
| June 8 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| June 11 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Session meeting |
| June 12 | M & P meeting |
| June 13 | Chat & Chew |
| June 15 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| June 16 | Annual Theology Conference Planning Group (at Bethel) |
| June 17 | funeral – Peter Joynt |
| June 18 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| June 20 | Chat & Chew |
| June 22 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| June 24 | interment – June Moodie |
| June 25 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| June 27 | Chat & Chew |
| June 29 | Zoom Prayer & Share |

***July***

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| July 1 | UCW bake sale |
| July 2 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| July 4 | Chat & Chew |
| July 6 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| July 9 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Ecumenical worship & potluck supper |
| July 11 | Chat & Chew |
| July 13 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| July 16 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| July 18 | Chat & Chew |
| July 20 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| July 23 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| July 25 | Chat & Chew |
| July 27 | Zoom Prayer & Share<br>Meeting with regional YAYA staff |
| July 30 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; outdoor service at the Rideau Ferry Yacht Club Conservation Area |
| July 31 | funeral – Joyce McAusland |

***August***

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| August 1 | Chat & Chew |
| August 3 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| August 4 | funeral – Henriette LaPorte |
| August 6 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| August 8 | Chat & Chew |
| August 10 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| August 13 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| August 15 | Chat & Chew |
| August 17 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| August 20 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; |
| August 22 | Chat & Chew |
| August 24 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| August 27 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner away; Stewardship Committee meeting |
| August 29 | Chat & Chew |
| August 31 | Zoom Prayer & Share |

***September***

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| September 3 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| September 5 | UCW meeting followed by a potluck lunch; Chat & Chew |
| September 7 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| September 10 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Session meeting |
| September 12 | Chat & Chew<br>Funeral – Arthur Miller |
| September 14 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| September 17 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner away; Norma Wrightly, LLWL, leads worship<br>Aidan Williamson participates in his 22nd Terry Fox Run |
| September 19 | Chat & Chew |
| September 21 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| September 24 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner away; Norma Wrightly, LLWL, leads worship |
| September 26 | Chat & Chew |
| September 28 | Zoom Prayer & Share; Official Board meeting |

***October***

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| October 1 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; World Communion Sunday/Anniversary Sunday;<br>Rev. Myra Garvin, guest speaker |
| October 3 | UCW meeting; Chat & Chew |
| October 5 | Zoom Prayer & Share |

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| October 8 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Thanksgiving Sunday; Stewardship Committee begins a special October Stewardship Appeal for the Lanark Leeds and Grenville Family and Children's Services Snowsuit Fund |
| October 10 | Chat & Chew |
| October 12 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| October 15 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| October 17 | Chat & Chew |
| October 19 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| October 22 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Stewardship committee meeting |
| October 24 | Chat & Chew |
| October 26 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| October 29 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Reformation Sunday |
| October 31 | Chat & Chew |

***November***

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| November 1 | Clergy Women's Lunch |
| November 2 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| November 4 | funeral – Dennis Dwyer |
| November 5 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner |
| November 7 | UCW meeting; Chat & Chew<br>Meeting with Regional YAYA staff |
| November 9 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| November 10 | Moderator's Flourishing Congregations workshop |
| November 12 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Remembrance Sunday; Session meeting |
| November 14 | Chat & Chew |
| November 16 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| November 19 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Official Board meeting |
| November 21 | Chat & Chew |
| November 23 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| November 26 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner away; Norma Wrightly, LLWL, leads worship; Advent 1 |
| November 28 | Chat & Chew |
| November 30 | Zoom Prayer & Share |

***December***

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| December 2 | UCW cookie pick-up/bake sale |
| December 3 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner away; Norma Wrightly, LLWL, leads worship; Advent 2 |
| December 4 | M & P meeting |
| December 5 | Addison United Church Council |
| December 6 | Chat & Chew |

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| December 7 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| December 10 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Advent 3; soup & sandwich lunch followed by carol sing-along |
| December 12 | Chat & Chew |
| December 14 | Zoom Prayer & Share |
| December 17 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; Advent 4; White Gift Sunday |
| December 19 | Chat & Chew |
| December 21 | Zoom Prayer & Share; Blue Christmas service |
| December 24 | Rev. Lynne Gardiner; no 11:00am service; 4:30pm Christmas Eve family service |
| December 31 | no worship service |



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