

22 Oct 2026



Sun 25 Oct 2026

10:00 a.m.

Edith Rankin Memorial United Church

‘Men’s Service’

This Week's Schedule for ERMUC Events

All events and room bookings are not on this page; please check ERMUC's online calendar at www.ermuc.ca/event/event-calendar for more info.

Sun 25 Oct

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	'Men's Service'	Sanctuary
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Mon 26 Oct

Tues 27 Oct

5:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Limestone Ringers	Sanctuary
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Wed 28 Oct

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Just Men	Upper Room
10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Bring Your Own Craft	Welcome Centre
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Pastoral Care Gathering	<u>Zoom</u>
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Tech Team Workshop	Sanctuary

Thurs 29 Oct

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Choir	Music Rm/Sanctuary
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Fri 30 Oct

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Wellness Walking	Wel Centre/Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Progressive Euchre Tourney	Lower Hall/Kitchen



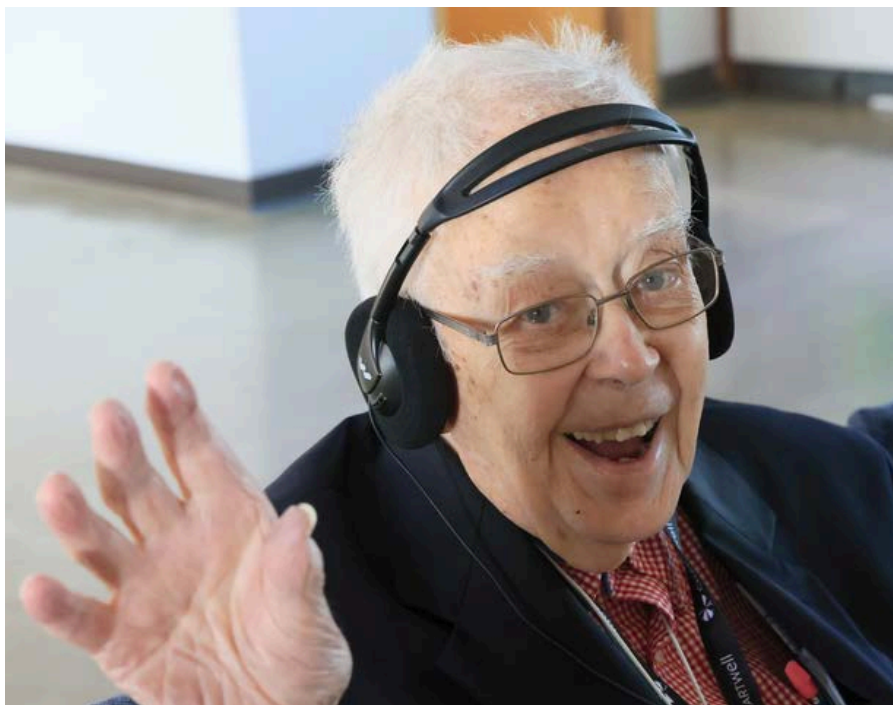
Mission and Outreach



SOCKTOBER

Socktober is a campaign to collect new (and gently used) socks for those in need in our community. Socks are one of the most requested (and least donated) items for those experiencing hardship.

We are accepting donations of new socks (or gently used) for **ALL ages**. Help us warm hearts and toes this fall. Please drop off by Stephanie's office in the blue bucket!



This fine looking gent turned 95 on Sunday!



Media and Communications Team Notes

SMILE!

This past summer we installed two cameras on our property. The long term plan for the one pointing south to Collins Bay is to add a constant live view of our beautiful campus on our website. Watch for that! The other plan is to increase security following a few thefts and accidents on the property. So, there is a second camera covering the main entrance. Some movements are automatically recorded and accessed only when there is a reported incident. Otherwise the camera routinely records over old recordings. Audio recording is disabled.

Meantime our Sunday Morning Tech Team continues to excel in their dedication to assist with our liturgy, widening the congregation to include Zoomers and YouTubers.

If you feel called to this Techie Ministry and would like to join our Team offering your service in part of what we do, just talk to Paul.

[Paul is at: rev.currie@ermuc.ca, or 613.389.2530 extension 202, or just catch him exiting the choir loft on a Sunday morning.]

Fair Trade

FAIR TRADE is coming to Edith Rankin Sunday, November 1st , with all your favorite coffee, chocolate bars, herbal and regular tea, plus. Palestinian olive oil, Za'atar spice.

Great gifts for your Christmas givings.



Men's Service 25 October 2026



All men in the congregation are invited to sing along during the Men's Service being held at Edith Rankin on 25 October 2026.

Please contact Kim Barney or Gordon Sinclair if you are interested in participating! We hope to see you at the front of the church.



Remembrance Day Service

will be honoured here at Edith Rankin on Sunday November 8th. If you are an active member or retired from our Canadian Forces, or a family member and would like to participate in this service in any way then please let Michelle know. You can phone, email or text.

Mission & Service Challenge



Northern Indigenous communities are still experiencing hardships through relocation and environmental issues.

Gather your toonies and FILL A BOTTLE to alleviate the costs and help them rebuild.

E-transfers, cash, cheques or pill bottles clearly marked 'Food for the North' are to be dropped off at your church office. Please include your name and address for tax purposes.

Thank you for thinking of our Friends in the North.

Please contact Marilyn Rodger for more information at marilynrodger@aol.com



Referenced from United Church Gifts for Vision catalogue.



**Thank you for
celebrating
with Andrew
& Mary
Catherine**



“FOOD BARREL DONATIONS

A huge thank you to everyone who generously donate non-perishable foods the Partners in Mission Foodbank. Your gifts are most appreciated. Please DO NOT put fresh vegetables or fruit in the bin as we have no way of ensuring it gets to the Foodbank in a timely fashion.”



**Much Needed Food Items for
Partners in Mission Food Bank**
Please see Stephanie if you drop off perishables so
that they do not spoil before being delivered.

Large jars of peanut butter	Baby formula
Apple sauce packs	Pudding packs
Small juice boxes	Canned fruit
Jello	Hamburger helper
Rice	Pasta
Soda crackers	Sugar free items
Spaghetti sauce	Instant oatmeal
Cereal	Condiments
Granola Bars	Canned soup
Perishables: Please tell Stephanie:	
Bread	Milk
Fresh fruit	Fresh Vegetation

Caring Connections

Pastoral Care Reflections & Updates from Alanna

I just got home at the end of a long 'Care & Share' day and I am exhausted. But it is that good kind of exhausted when you are so tired and everything hurts, but you are also so, so happy and grateful.

Participants tell us repeatedly how meaningful these lunches have become for them. Not only for the excellent food (thanks, Chef Michelle!), but also for the positive, uplifting energy and friendship that they experience.

Today we welcomed our largest number of participants yet at a Care & Share lunch! I am so grateful that we continue to reach more and more members of our church family. And there is always room for more at the table(s)!

These lunches are for everyone who wants to share a hot meal, friendship, and conversation. Today, we even discussed the possibility of moving to a larger space to accommodate our growing numbers! If you haven't joined us yet, please consider doing so in the coming months. You will not be disappointed.

Today our theme was "From Thanks to Giving" as we considered how giving and receiving help to create a caring community. Interestingly, people struggled to provide answers to the questions that asked them to consider and name their own gifts. But when the questions were turned around to ask folks to consider and name gifts they saw in others around the room, the answers were plentiful!

We don't always recognize our own gifts because they feel so ordinary to us. Yet we see the gifts of others so easily – gifts of time, creativity, encouragement, friendship, presence, and more. These gifts may have no financial cost, but they can mean so much to someone else.

So, I invite you to consider these questions: What are your gifts? And how can they make a difference in our own church family?



HOW TO CONTACT ALANNA:

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Every one of us has gifts to share, and those gifts can have a significant impact on the people around us.

Sometimes the gifts are financial, and I want to thank all the sponsors who have covered the expenses of our Care & Share lunches to date. We are truly blessed by your generosity.

Sometimes the gifts are time, energy, and hard work. My personal thanks goes to Joyce Payne and Mimi Potter who work diligently alongside Michelle and me to set up, prepare food, serve, and clean up at each event. We could not do what we do without you.

And sometimes the gifts are friendship and support. I am grateful for every kind and encouraging word – and every hug! – from our participants. I see and experience the joy and friendship in the room, but I also treasure hearing how these lunches have touched and inspired you and have become a meaningful connection to your Edith Rankin Memorial UC family.

I will leave you with one final question for you to consider in the coming days: How might our community of faith use the gifts, resources, and opportunities we have to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others?

As we were reminded on Sunday morning, “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms (1 Peter 4:10).”

Let’s be intentional about how we care for all that has been entrusted to us: our gifts, our resources, our relationships, and our community of faith. How can we use these gifts thoughtfully to serve others, while ensuring that the things that matter to us continue to be available to those who come after us?

After all, giving is not just about what we contribute today. It is also about how we care for what we have received so that others may continue to benefit from it tomorrow.



A note from Alanna: I will be away on vacation from Oct. 26th to Nov 5th. But have no fear! Breakfast Bunch and Wellness Walking will continue in my absence! I plan to be back at Wellness walking on 6 November although you may need to prop me up to complete the laps of the sanctuary!!

Some Upcoming Pastoral Care Activities:

Wellness Walking every Friday at 10:00 AM. Everyone is invited to join in the fun for a bit of exercise walking around the sanctuary with friends new and old, unhindered by the elements. Afterwards, stay to enjoy some social time together.

Breakfast Bunch: The next Breakfast Bunch will take place on **Wednesday, November 4th at 9:00 AM at Rhodes Restaurant**, 2360 Princess Street. I will not be there for this one, but I know it will still be a wonderful time of food, friendship, and fun!

BREAKFAST BUNCH

Join us at
Rhodes Restaurant
2360 Princess Street
at **9:00 AM**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH
for fellowship & fun

United MarketPlace Tour

Saturday, November 21st – 10am to 2pm

A collaboration between four United Churches in the Kingston area.

Visit the two host churches for a variety of home baking and hand crafted items.

A light lunch will be served at each location.

 **Edith Rankin Memorial United Church**
with **Cooke's-Portsmouth United Church**
4080 Bath Road, Kingston
local artisans, baked goods, new-to-you

 **Crossroads United Church**
with **Sydenham Street United Church**
690 Sir John A Macdonald Blvd, Kingston
shortbread, crafts, vendors, baked goods

 *A citywide collaboration between four United Churches in the Kingston area.*





Happy Birthday to You!

Betty Campbell
Don Douglas
Bill Coupland
Shirley Edmunds
Faye Trimble

09 October
18 October
18 October
22 October
29 October



**Join us for
Wellness Walking
every Friday
at 10:00 AM**

**Walk in the
Sanctuary & stay
for social time in the
Welcome Centre afterwards**



Progressive Euchre Tournament



Friday, October 30, 2026

7:00 PM

\$10 per person

Downstairs Hall

Edith Rankin Memorial United Church

PRIZES AND REFRESHMENTS

included with admission



Save the Dates for our next
Progressive Euchre Tournaments

Nov. 27, 2026 • Jan. 29, 2027

Feb. 26, 2027 • April 30, 2027

EARLY CHRISTMAS MARKET

PRINCESS STREET UNITED CHURCH
& ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
AT ST. LUKE'S CHURCH
236 NELSON STREET, KINGSTON

SATURDAY, NOV. 7TH, 2026
10 AM – 2 PM



PRESERVES



HOME
BAKING

SHORTBREAD



CANDY



BOOKS

DELICATESSEN

KNITTING



CRAFTS

GENTLY USED
GIFT ITEMS

CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS

JEWELRY



FROZEN HOMEMADE APPLE PIES
FRESH TURKEY POT PIES



SILENT AUCTION!