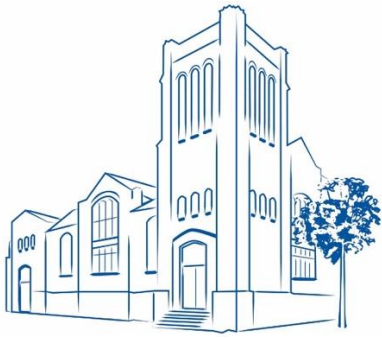




PARKDALE UNITED CHURCH

COME • GROW • SERVE



Sunday, September 13, 2026 – 10:30 AM
Theme: Creation Time Part 2

Grounding Words: *“You can go with the joy of the vulnerable and oppressed, or be horrified with the company of the oppressors, that Nature - not unexpectedly - rebounds on communities of injustice”*

~The Rev. Jenny Adams

"Take a Faithful Pause: an invitation to step out of the rush and into a moment of quiet reflection. Short, heartfelt moments of faith, hope, and community from Parkdale United Church. No fancy production, no complicated theology. Just little spiritual coffee breaks. ☕"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4t8l4_dDoqM

GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

**Please stand as you are able*

*This morning, everything you will need to participate in worship will be projected.
The lyrics for all the congregational singing, the prayers we pray together, or the
words we say together will be projected or printed in **bold**.*

Prelude: For The Beauty Of The Earth Piano – Dr. Keith

Welcome & Honouring The Land Rev. Bob

Congregational Life and Ministry Ministry Team

Call To Worship: (Responsive | Projected) Rev. Bob

Christ Candle:

Gathering Song: River Running In You And Me MV#163
Choir with Dr. Keith

Call to Prayer & Gathering Prayer Rev. Bob

Embracing God's Love (Responsive | Projected) Rev. Bob

Sharing the Peace of Christ: (Projected) Rev. Bob

Time to Wonder: Rev. Bob

Liturgy of Belonging

Confirmation and Membership

Congregational Commitment: (Responsive | Projected)

Affirmation of Faith (UCC Creed | Projected)

Blessing

Certificate of Membership

***Hymn:** All Who Are Thirsty | Projected MV#4

(Children and Youth may leave for their programs)

ENGAGING THE STORY

Lectionary@Home: **Exodus 14:19-31 + 15:1b-11,20-21; Psalm 114;
Romans 14:1-12 ; & Matthew 18:21-35**

Focus Reading: Exodus 14:19-31 (NIV p.109)
(Responsive | Projected)

Sermon: **“Tsunami Faith”** Rev. Bob
Time for Silent Reflection

BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE

***Hymn:** **Touch The Earth Lightly** VU#307

Prayers For Community

The Disciples’ Prayer (Unison | Projected)

Sharing Our Gifts For Ministry Rev. Bob

Offertory: Petit Offertoire Organ – Dr. Keith

***Doxology: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow** VU#54

***Dedication Of The Offering** (Unison | Projected) Rev. Bob

***Hymn:** **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah** (Projected)
VU#651

***Sending Forth And Blessing** Rev. Bob

Choral Response: Peace Be With You MV#215

Peace be with you, peace forever,
peace be with you, my friends.
Till we meet again, may God be with you.
Peace, peace, peace.

Postlude: He's Got The Whole World In His Hands
Piano – Dr. Keith

Leading In Worship:
Rev. Dr. Bob K. Fillier
Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton
Senior Choir

Audio: Richard Hamley Projection & Streaming: Rebecca Fillier

Greeters and Ushers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers at Parkdale - Your prayer requests are always welcome. Please send them to prayer-requests@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca or you can use the prayer box in the sanctuary. If you want to be contacted, please leave your name and number. We want you to know that we are here for you and that we stand together under God's Grace.



Dear Parkdale friends,

This is a note of many thanks. Thank you for the lovely send off at the end of August. The breakfast was as all meals at Parkdale are, plentiful with good food and great hospitality. Thanks for the amazing gifts of song, kind words, beautiful cards and extravagant and thoughtful gifts. Thank you for letting me into your lives, your homes, and your sacred spaces of transition over these past four years. Thank you for teaching me that the body of Christ is alive, adaptable, and beautifully resilient. Thank you most of all for being you and allowing me to be me in your midst. I will miss you all and carry you with me in my heart and my prayers.

May God continue to shine His face upon you all, may the Peace of Christ be with each and everyone and may the Holy Spirit blow through Parkdale with winds of compassion and care.

Until we meet again,

Bev

Ottawa School of Theology & Spirituality

Connecting People on the Path of Faith and Learning

Fall Term 2026

4 Classes by ZOOM - 2 Classes are in person

21 September—26 October 2026

1st session choose 1 class from A—C

2 November—30 November 2026

2nd session choose 1 class from D—F

When: Monday 7:30 –9:30 p.m.

In-person: All Saints Westboro, Ottawa

Fall 2026 Term & Winter 2027 Term

Four 5-week sessions fall/ winter

\$75 / term or \$140.00 for both terms

<https://www.osts.ca>

see poster on bulletin board for more info

3 Days Later - On Sundays, we develop a theme in worship grounded in scripture and engaged through a sermon, music, prayer, silence, and contemplation, yet have you ever wanted to talk about it? Join Rev. Bob on Wednesdays from 12 to 1 pm (ish) starting September 23rd for conversations that delve a little deeper into the theme from Sunday. Location: Upper Room and online. Join us onsite with your lunch, at your desk, couch, or in the park.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81546606153?pwd=Z8EYEVVxgFPDLziaFDTJSH0ceMnQ1k.1>

Sept. 14th to Nov. 9th 2026 – 1 to 3 pm

Parkdale United Church hosts

Smart Aging, a series of eight weekly, interactive workshops covering key topics facing seniors today. Designed to provide information you need, before you need it, to make smart decisions at key transition points in your life. Cost is \$69.00. Participants should plan to attend all 8 workshops. Anyone in the community is welcome to join.

For more information, contact Hugh Nelson, hughnelson@rogers.com. To register, contact Jo-Anne at pdale@trytel.com.



IMAGES & STORIES 2026 - 2027 series return next week Friday, September 25th @ 7:00 PM on Zoom with Rev. Bob. You will not want to miss our Rev. Dr. Bob K Fillier telling us about his life from Newfoundland and Labrador to BC with some stops in between. If you are not on the list for our Zoom presentations, please contact the office at pdale@trytel.com. You will receive the Zoom link on Thursday or Friday morning.

Strategic Plan Update: Our Council has received the report from our consultant, Rev. Darren Roorda. Once we summarize the main findings the report will be shared with the congregation. Our plan is to ensure that all the members of Parkdale United have an opportunity to engage with the directional recommendations included in the report and that together we will then develop a ministry action plan for the future. We hope to meet as a congregation early this fall to discuss the report."



Race to End Homelessness Sept.

27, 2026, from 9-11 AM

Pine View Golf Course 1471 Blair Road,
Ottawa ON, Canada

Turn your steps into solutions.

In a city as vibrant as Ottawa, no one should be without a safe, affordable place to call home, yet everyday individuals and families are pushed to the margins by a growing housing crisis. That's why the **Alliance to End Homelessness Ottawa**, alongside its members and partners, is launching the **Race to End Homelessness**, a community-driven 10K, 5K, and 1K run/walk designed to educate, engage, and unite people around one shared goal: a future where everyone has a home. To register please visit:

[Race to End Homelessness 2026 in Ottawa, ON | Rad Races](#)



Nursery is staffed today. Parents are welcome to use it for their babies and toddlers.



Movie & Popcorn: Sunday June 28 - Sept. 13

Children and youth will enjoy a movie and popcorn time in the Upper Room. If your child has not registered for Sunday school this year, please email

Huda to register and let us know if there are any allergies. Please pick up your children from the upper room after the service.

Upcoming Worship Experiences

September 20 – Join us as we continue our Season of Creation theme with special guest preacher Rev. Dr. Teresa Ann Burnett-Cole, Coordinating Minister with Glebe-St. James United Church. (Our Rev. Dr. Bob Fillier will be with our siblings at Glebe-St. James) It's also the start of our Sunday School Year. Make sure to register.

September 27 – Orange Shirt Sunday. We are all invited to wear something orange or an orange shirt from an Indigenous vendor to mark Orange Shirt Day 2026 on September 30. As part of our worship, we will pause to remember and reflect on why every child matters and needs to be remembered.

October 4 – World Wide Communion Sunday and the conclusion of our Season of Creation focus. Moving In Spirit will present an embodied telling of scripture and Mervin Sol H. Toquero, Deputy General Secretary National Council of Churches in the Philippines will be our special guest preacher.

Opportunities to Serve - Take a moment and think about your skills. Your interests. Your passions. How could you share them with Parkdale United and our neighbours through service? How about...

- Being part of the Tech Team – preparing projection, operating our tech for worship (Projection, Livestream, Audio)?
- Joining the Communications Committee and helping us share the story about our ministry with each other and the world?
- Sharing your voice in song with the adult choir or another music ministry opportunity?
- Becoming a leader with our First Third Ministry and spending time shaping our children and youth?

Curious about more information? Contact Huda, Rebecca, or Rev. Bob. They love to talk about ways we can all share our time and talent. Stay tuned for more Opportunities to Serve.

PARKDALE UNITED CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Ministry Staff:

Rev. Dr. Bob K. Fillier - *Coordinating Minister*

revbob@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca (available Monday-Thursday)

Huda Kandalaft Kanawati - *CDM for Youth and Families*

huda@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca (available Tuesday - Friday)

Dr. Keith Hartshorn-Walton - *Music and Worship Arts Director*

keith@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca (available by appointment)

Rebecca Fillier - *Communications Manager*

rebecca@parkdaleunitedchurch.ca (available by appointment)

Church Staff:

Emile Malboeuf - *Caretaker & Custodian*

[contact the office](#) (available Sunday - Monday and Wednesday - Friday)

Jo-Anne McGuire - *Office Manager*

pdale@trytel.com (available Monday - Friday)