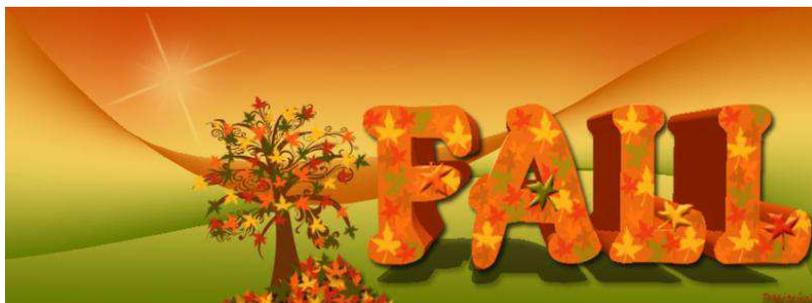


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What good is having someone walk on water if you don't follow in his footsteps?



## Youth Newsletter - October Edition Presbyteries of Ottawa & Seaway-Glengarry

Welcome to the **October edition** of the Presbyterian Youth newsletter keeping you posted about youth events in Ottawa and Seaway-Glengarry Presbyteries.

Planning confirmation somewhere along the line? We are planning a Confirmation Retreat @ Gracefield in January. Stay tuned for more details.

In late February or March (February 23rd/March 2nd), there is a special event for youth leaders and Christian educators. Emily Hill from the National Office will facilitate a workshop on choosing and customizing curriculum, putting together a program when you don't have a regular curriculum, and other topics that may be of interest. No title or other details just yet - but **please forward questions and ideas you would like her to cover to me** and I will pass them on to her.

The new Youth website (<http://www.pcc-ottawayouth.ca/>) is up, and includes two areas that may be of particular interest:

- **RESOURCES** which includes pages for my workshops; Curricula & Activities; Presbyterian Resources; Spiritual Health & Growth (looking after yourself); and Youth Organizations in the Ottawa region.
- **SHARING AREA** is an area where people can share tips for different activities they've run, and pass on their notes, etc. for workshops they attended. Right now, there are pages for Activity Tips; Conference/Workshop Notes; Fundraising Ideas; Grant Information; Using Digital Technology (see notes in September & October newsletter); Youth Ministry 101; and Recommended Books.

A couple of youth from St. John's, Cornwall did a video presentation on their CY2018 experience for the congregation. The videos are on Youtube and, as soon as I get the links, I will be adding them to the website. If any other participants from CY2018 have created videos which they would like to share, just send them on to me.

Take care - Happy Thanksgiving!

As usual, here is the [PDF](#) version of the newsletter.

Rev. Cheryl

## VACANCIES & WELCOMES

### Volunteer Vacancy @ Grace, Orleans

The Youth group at Grace, Orleans is looking for volunteers to assist and attend youth group. They meet Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:00 p.m.

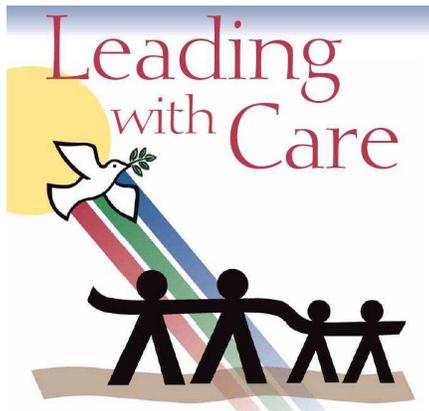
If you are interested, or know of anyone who might be, please contact Grace, Orleans directly (through their [website](#)).

### Student Interns @ Knox, Ottawa

Knox Presbyterian in Ottawa has hired two student as interns: **Ty** who will focus on social issues, connecting Knox members with people in the community, and **Kyle** who will focus on children and recruiting people for working with children.

**WELCOME** to you both. Hope to see you at the *Leading with Care* workshop!

## UPCOMING WORKSHOP



3-hour workshop

*Leading with Care* is the Church's policy for ensuring a climate of safety in the Presbyterian Church in Canada

The policy is designed to ensure that EVERYONE - children, youth, vulnerable adults - who participate in the Church's programs and ministries (or uses the Church in some way) will be care for with Christian compassion and will be safe.

Our next workshop, introducing the policy, is offered at Trinity Presbyterian this coming Wednesday, October 3rd, at 7:00 p.m.

It is geared for anyone in the Presbytery who works with children, youth and vulnerable adults.

To register, please contact [Rev. Cheryl](#).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### October 4, 2018

- **6:30-8:00 p.m.** - "The Outlet" Youth Group - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 6-8.

### October 5, 2018

- **6:30-9:30 p.m.** - "The Source" Youth Group - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 9-12.

### October 11, 2018

- **6:30-8:00 p.m.** - "The Outlet" Youth Group - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 6-8.

### October 12, 2018

- **6:30 p.m.** - Youth Nite: *Faith & Duct Tape* - St. Stephen's
- **6:30-9:30 p.m.** - "The Source" Youth Group - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 9-12.
- **7:00-9:00 p.m.** - Youth Group - Parkwood Presbyterian



### October 13, 2018

- **7:00 p.m. - Teen Challenge Choir** - St. Paul's, Ottawa. Teen Challenge is a Christian organization that serves to help men and women overcome substance addictions to lead full and productive lives. They are opening a new centre in Ottawa Valley. This concert is hosted to raise awareness and funds for the centre. Free-will offering.



### October 14, 2018

- **Time not specified - Young Adults Group** - St. Timothy's, Ottawa
- **4:00-6:00 p.m. - "The Most Important Meal" Youth Group** - Knox, Manotick.
- **6:00 p.m. - Open Table @ Ottawa U** - sponsored by St. Andrew's, Ottawa

### October 18, 2018

- **6:30-8:00 p.m. - "The Outlet" Youth Group** - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 6-8.

### October 19, 2018

- **6:30-9:30 p.m. - "The Source" Youth Group** - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 9-12.

### October 19th or 20th, 2018

- **7:00 p.m. - Bowling @ Merivale Bowling Lanes** - Parkwood, Ottawa. Date still to be finalized.

### October 21, 2018

- **10:00 a.m. - Walk-a-Thon** - St. Timothy's, Ottawa. Fundraising youth event for their Mission project.
- **1:30 p.m. - Knox Walks for Centretown Emergency Food Centre** - Knox, Ottawa.

### October 24, 2018

- **4:30-6:30 p.m. - Messy Church** - St. Andrew's, Kars.

### October 25, 2018

- **6:30-8:00 p.m. - "The Outlet" Youth Group** - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 6-8.

### October 26, 2018

- **6:30-9:30 p.m. - "The Source" Youth Group** - St. Paul's, Ottawa. For youth in Grades 9-12.

### October 15, 2018

- **after school - St. John's Youth Group** - St. John's, Cornwall.

### October 17, 2018

- **Time not specified - SDYG (Riverview Youth Group)** - First meeting for the fall.

### October 26, 2018

- **9:00 a.m. - PA Day Camp** - First Presbyterian, Brockville

### October 27, 2018

- **10:00 a.m.-noon - Celebration Brunch @ Prescott Golf Club** - A time when Youth-for-Christ youth join with their supporters to celebrate what God has done over the last year, anticipate where God is leading them, and invite newcomers to become part of the YFC family.

### Celebration Brunch

Please pray for the preparation of our Celebration Brunch in October.

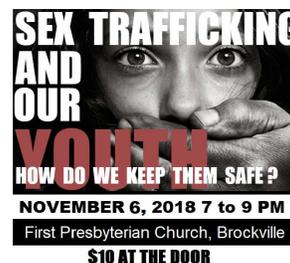
1. Pray for people to sponsor a table. Each table is \$125, we have 14 tables to sponsor.
2. Pray for people to fill a table. Each table has 8 places.

This is a time of Celebration for what God has done over the last year. We have a lot to celebrate! We will also anticipate the coming year, and where we feel God is leading, inviting people present to become part of the YFC family.

We would love to have every one of our prayer partners (that is you) at this brunch. You have been a huge part of what God has done, and continues to do. Please join this celebration of our great GOD! (RSVP to this email)

**November 6, 2018**

- **7:00-9:00 p.m. - Sex Trafficking and Our Youth: How Do We Keep Them Safe?** - First Presbyterian, Brockville. Debbie Pond, retired RCMP officer and representative from *U-R Home Awareness and Support Services*, will talk about the sex trafficking issue.
- Tickets are \$10 and will be donated to help stop sexual exploitation in Canada.

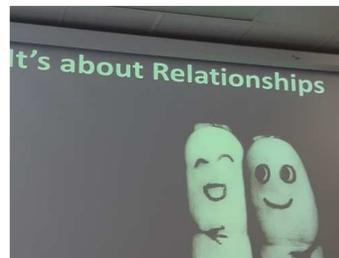


## SOCIAL MEDIA & TECH TOOLS FOR YOUTH MINISTRY

### Travis Allison - Digital Media - Part 2

Confused by all the technology out there? Which technology should you use to reach the youth? Facebook? Twitter? Snapchat? etc. etc.?

The answer is simple - Reaching youth is not about technology, it's about relationships! It's about stories and sharing stories. Technology is just a tool. If you don't know which one to use - ask the youth! Have them teach you!



Part 1 - in the September newsletter - talked about running youth groups in this digital age. This month (Part 2), we're going to look at some of the tools that are available for you. The complete set of notes is found on the [Ottawa Youth website](#)

### Which digital program to use? Ask your youth! Which ones do they use?

#### **Bonjoro.com** (<https://www.bonjoro.com/>)

*Bonjoro* allows you to create a personal video which is then sent to your youth's inbox.

#### **Canva.com** (<https://www.canva.com/>)

They advertise as being a place where people can collaborate and create amazing graphic designs for free.

#### **Carrrd.co** (<https://carrrd.co/>)

A good place to find templates. Simple, free, fully responsive one-page sites for pretty much anything.

#### **Fiverr.com** (<https://www.fiverr.com/>)

The world's largest freelance services (\$5) Marketplace. You can get help with logos, cartoons, flyers, posters, web design, translations, videos, animation, etc.

#### **Group.me** (<https://groupme.com/en-US/>)

This is like having a private chat room just for your small group. You can coordinate with your group, organize a game night, keep in touch ...all in the same place.

#### **Missinglettr.com** (<https://missinglettr.com/>)

Do you have an announcement that you need to send out over and over again - this site helps turn your blog posts into a 12-month social campaign

#### **Pinterest.ca** (<https://www.pinterest.ca/>)

This is not a communication software but you can see where people are posting and what they care about.

#### **Remind.com** (<https://www.remind.com/>)

It's free and great for group message. You have a way to create a group for your youth, and another for the adults.



**Techsoup.ca** (<https://www.techsoupcanada.ca/en>)

This connects charities, nonprofits, etc. to affordable technologies. Software and technology resources have been donated and it is possible to get things at a discounted price (50-90%)

**WhatsApp Messenger**

Free messaging app available for Android and other smartphones. You can call your family and friends for free, send photos and videos instantly, as well as sending simple, personal messages.

**Youtube** - Realise that, for many youth, they watch TV *only on Youtube!*

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