

Ottawa Presbytery Report to
Montreal & Ottawa Conference Executive Meeting
November 7, 2018 Theme: *Being Faithful to the Future*

Report for the period September 7, to the present:

* The Transition Implementation Team continues its work in facilitating the transition to a three-council model. At our last meetings, we have welcomed members of the Team from our neighbour Presbyteries.

* Five Covenanting Services have taken place this fall within the Presbytery: Jessica Hetherington and St. Paul's Richmond United Church, Cindy Casey and Kanata United Church, Stephanie Bates and Cumberland United Church, Natalie Istead and Eglise Grace, Christine Johnston and Bethel-St. Andrew's (Fitzroy) United Church

* Ashley Tu is now Candidate Supply at Chinese United Church.

* Tornado damage has impacted various congregations in our Presbytery, especially Carp-Dunrobin Pastoral Charge and Eglise Grace United.

* The Pastoral Relations Ministry Team continues to act as a Commission, supporting congregations and pastoral charges during sabbaticals, JNAP processes, answering queries, and providing assistance during uncertain times of transition.

* Our guest in October was Vickie Townson who is a life coach specializing in coaching clergy. Her focus is to support people in finding their own work-life solutions and strategies.

* With the coming changes in our denominational governance, our Presbytery Office has noticed a significant increase in requests for information, assistance, and direction.

* **YAYA news:**

The W.H. "Bill" Scrivens Memorial Fund for Youth Ministry has become a separate fund of the Ottawa Presbytery.

Applications for leaders and counsellors for Camp Awesome 2019 are available online.

Respectfully Submitted,

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