

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
EASTERN ONTARIO OUTAOUAIS REGIONAL COUNCIL
NEWS THIS WEEK

Friday, March 1, 2019

EDITOR'S NOTE

I am still looking for names of lay and ministry representatives for Communities of Faith throughout the region. If you haven't already done so, please send me the names of the people in your congregation who have been successfully nominated to the roles of lay and ministry reps. This useful information will help us to prepare for the annual meeting.

Speaking of the annual meeting, you are probably wondering when you will be able to register. We are working hard to get the registration mechanism in place and I will let you know as soon as I possibly can. Same thing goes for the EOORC website – it continues to be a work in progress. Thank for your patience and have a great week!

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NEWS FROM THE EOORC

WE NEED PASTORAL CHARGE SUPERVISORS!! In EOORC we have many pastoral charges that are without ministry personnel and must have a Pastoral Charge Supervisor in order to have quorum at the meetings of their governing body as well as having someone to offer sage advice as they make day-to-day decisions. At present, we have a number of Communities of Faith who cannot hold Council/Board/Session meetings for lack of quorum! Pastoral Charge Supervisors are paid on an hourly basis for their time, as well as reimbursed for travel. I know that we have many people (active and retired Ministry Personnel, as well as lay folks) who have the skills needed for this essential ministry in our church. Please be in contact with Rev. Whit Strong wstrong@united-church.ca 1-800-268-3781 x6148. Your reward will be both earthly and heavenly!!

El Salvador 2019

EOORC and the Eastern Central Ontario Regional Council (ECORC) have joined together to send a group of 36 youth and adults from the churches across the two regions to visit our

Global Partner Emmanuel Baptist Church (Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel) in San Salvador, El Salvador. Emmanuel Baptist Church is a Global Partner of the United Church of Canada, and has partnerships of long standing with a number of United Church congregations in these regions and across Canada. The team will spend the week of March Break visiting with the pastor and community of Emmanuel Baptist Church. They will travel to communities in the country to work on building projects and to lead vacation bible school activities. The group will also spend time visiting the sites sacred to the memory of Saint Oscar Romero, and other important places in the history of El Salvador. Follow the mission's activities here: <http://www.salvador2019.com/>

BELATED AND SAD NEWS. Some of you have heard that Rev. Dawne Clarke from Perth Road Village United Church had retired at the end of November. While in Mexico in January, Rev. Dawne's husband passed away. It seems that many friends, former presbytery members and clergy had not heard about her loss. If you want to reach out to Rev. Dawne, please contact me (ajansman@united-church.ca), and I will give you her address.

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COMING EVENTS

FRI, MAR 8, 9:30 A.M. (COFFEE AT 9) KANATA UNITED CHURCH (RESCHEDULED FROM FEB)

This is the second informal meeting to bring together people from the Region to talk about work going forward on visioning and regeneration initiatives in congregations. Please Join us for an informal meeting to bring together people from the EOORC to discuss these important ideas. Discussion led by Rev. Elaine Beattie and by Jane Dawson. Bring a brown bag lunch and join in an informal conversation following the meeting. **RSVP** rev_elaine@manotickunitedchurch.com

SAT, MAR 9, 1:30 – 4:00 P.M. KIRK HILL UNITED CHURCH, DALKEITH, ON (20915 Laggan Glenelg Rd) **Annual Seniors Afternoon.** Come out and beat the winter blues and enjoy a great afternoon of fellowship with lots of food and local Celtic music. For information call 613-525-4096.

TUES, MAR 12, 10:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. TRINITY UNITED CHURCH, SMITHS FALLS, ON
AREA YOUTH EVENT: WHO IS OUR NEIGHBOUR? LIVING WITH RESPECT What does it mean to Live into Right Relations? Event is open to all. For more information and register, phone 613-383-4444

WED, MAR 13 LENTEN WORSHIPS AT NOON IN THE CENTENARY PASTORAL CHARGE

The area ministerial including Sharbot Lake United Church, Parham United Church, Parham Free Methodist Church, The Praise Church, St. Andrews Anglican, St. James Anglican, St. James Major Roman Catholic Church, Sharbot Lake Pentecostal are once again offering a short Lenten worship service at noon, followed by a Lenten poverty soup lunch and visiting. A free will offering for the food bank will be received by an offering basket placed near the soup. We also serve coffee, tea, juice and water, but keep the meal simple to focus on the worship, visiting, and to identify with the poor. People of all faiths or no faith are welcome. Visit the Facebook page for more information <https://bit.ly/2VufJJO>

FRI, MAR 15, 7 P.M. – SUN MAR 17, 5:30 P.M. TRINITY UNITED CHURCH, OTTAWA

Healing Pathway Phase 2 training workshop “Healing from the Heart.” Instructors are Sharon Moon & Howard Clark. The fee is \$210. For more information, download the [registration brochure](#). Healing Pathway has been a ministry within the United Church of Canada for about 30 years. Its focus is to enable people to develop the gifts and skills of healing within the Christian tradition, and to foster the development of healing ministries in congregations and other communities. Visit [Healing Pathway](#) for more information.



SUN, MAR 17, 2:00 P.M. ATHENS UNITED CHURCH, ATHENS, ON

AN AFTERNOON OF IRISH AND COUNTRY MUSIC Featuring Rev. David Steele, Tom Wilson, and Alison Purcell and Cameron Steele. \$15 (under age 15 free). Tickets available at church office or online at: <https://1000islands.snapd.com/events/view/1224707>

WED, MAR 20, 4:30 – 6:30 P.M. ATHENS UNITED CHURCH, ATHENS, ON

SPRING SUPPER Ham, meatballs, scalloped potatoes, and a variety of home-cooked dishes including salads, rolls and pie. Adults: \$15, children age 6-12, \$7, children age 5 and under, free. Take out available. Wheelchair accessible. Everyone welcome!

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WED, MAR 20, 7:00 – 8:30 P.M. EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH, 691 SMYTH ROAD, OTTAWA
 Evening Lecture on **Powering Reconciliation: How Indigenous Participation in Canada's Clean Energy Future Contributes to Social Justice, Ecological Protection and Climate Action.** Chris Henderson, Indigenous Clean Energy, promotes a close connection between faith, energy futures, and reconciliation. He is a passionate advocate of bringing Indigenous communities into the mainstream of economic activity and sustainable development, generating a diverse array of economic, social and environmental benefits for all stakeholders. Q and A following the presentation. Tickets (\$10) can be reserved at the Church Office, 613-733-0437.

FRI, MAR 23, 6:00 P.M. ST JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH, KEMPTVILLE, ON
THE RETURN OF ROCK N ROLLY All are welcome to come and help solve the murder mystery. Presented by the Kemptville Players with a wonderful meal prepared by St. John's United Church Social Committee. Fully accessible venue, we look forward to solving the crime together! Tickets are \$30.00 per person, available through the office. call 613-258-3259 or e mail: stjohnsk@magma.ca to reserve your seats.

SAT, MAR 30, ALL DAY, TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CARP, ON
HANDBELL WORKSHOP Handbell Directors' Roundtable of Eastern Ontario (H.D.R.T.) is presenting a full-day handbell workshop. Hone your ringing skills, learn new ones and hear a feature concert presented by The Bronze Foundation, Greater Toronto's auditioned community handbell choir. \$60 includes all workshops, snacks, lunch and a complimentary concert ticket. (Additional concert tickets may be purchased through your registration or at the door). Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. **For more information and to register, contact Ann Frederking:** OttawaHDRT@gmail.com

FRI, APR 12, 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. JOEL STEELE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WINCHESTER, ON HOMELESSNESS MAZE Hosted by **Linking Hands Dundas County** and facilitated by the local branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association. The purpose of the maze is to provide a realistic vision of challenges that people may face when searching for basic needs and to promote awareness and education of current community resources. Tickets available here: <https://bit.ly/2NykUou> For more information, please contact Sandy Casselman, scasselman@houseoflazarus.com or Jamie Tyrell, jtyrell@carefor.ca



SAVE THE DATE SEPT 21 – 22, PROGRESSIVE LEARNING CIRCLE 2019 CONFERENCE
 The Progressive Learning Circle (PLC), a Ministry of Bells Corners United Church in Ottawa, is pleased to announce its second Conference to be held Saturday September 21, and Sunday September 22, 2019, both afternoon sessions. While the program is still in its infancy, the featured speaker will be the [Rev. Dr. Cheri DiNovo](#), speaking on issues regarding the relevance of faith in today's society. On Sunday, the Rev. DiNovo will be part of an Interfaith panel, further discussing the theme. Email for more information on the conference: plconference2019@gmail.com

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JOB POSTINGS



Camp Lau-Ren is a summer camp for children aged 6-16 that provides a Christian experience in an outdoor setting. We are located on the Ottawa River, 10 kilometers west of Deep River, off Highway #17, on Lau-Ren Road. The camp is currently hiring for the position of **Assistant Cook, Caretaker/Janitor and counsellors**. Free room and board apply to all positions. Summer Staff must be prepared to work as part of a “team” and will be expected to support other staff members as needed. Visit the [website](#) for details. Further information is available from Ron or Joanne Hartnett, Executive Directors, hartnett@sympatico.ca



Rideau Hill Camp is hiring for several student positions this summer. Visit the [website](#) for details about the following jobs: **camp cook, cook assistants, administrator, lifeguards, canoe/waterfront director, recreation & nature director, activity leaders, and crafts & arts director**. These are high-energy positions in an outdoor environment in which you’ll have an opportunity to expand your personal and professional well-being. Email: jobs@rideauhillcamp.com

SAVE THE DATE!
EOORC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JUNE 7 - 8, 2019
SMITHS FALLS, ONTARIO
CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY SUNDAY, JUNE 9
TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Watch here for registration information -- Coming in March

FROM THE **UCC GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE**

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In [his Lenten message](#), Moderator Richard Bott reminds us that this season is a time to think, deeply, about our relationship with God. He asks us each to consider meeting with another disciple of Jesus, and exploring the question, “How is it with your soul?”

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