

EDITOR'S NOTE

A few reminders today:

- There is just one more week left to register for the 2020 Winter Meeting. Be sure to sign up by February 8.
- The EOORC Annual Meeting will take place on May 1-2, 2020 at the Nav Centre in Cornwall. Registration for this event will begin in early February. Please watch for information in this newsletter. Please do not phone the Nav Centre and try to make reservations until the registration information is provided.
- We are planning a special workshop on March 14, featuring Julia Kuhn Wallace (Global General Board of Discipleship) and Terrance Corkin (United Church Australia). The workshop will provide ministers, church leaders and members with a range of tools that can be used while working toward a healthy church life. I will soon send out a special notice with details and registration information.

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Have a great week!

THIRD PARTY REVIEWS OF 2019 FINANCIAL RECORDS Saturday, February 8, 2020 – 9:00 am to...when done Grace United Church, 8 Chemin Mill, Chelsea, QC



The new Regional Council for Eastern Ontario and Outaouais is not yet able to arrange the joint financial reviews previously organized by Ottawa Presbytery. However, a number of Treasurers feel it is important to provide this opportunity to smaller communities of faith / pastoral charges. More information

More Information

- 2020 Winter Meeting Registration
- *** NEW *** Events
- *** NEW *** <u>lob</u>
- *** New VAM Forms ***
- *** New Covenanting ***
- Add your own event

PASTORAL RELATIONS NEWS by Whit Strong

- A reminder that congregations need to be in touch with ADP regarding the Annual Cost of Living increases and any changes of Category for ministry personnel. These changes do not happen automatically.
- LLWL reimbursement: A reminder to that the 2020 rate for LLWLs is \$216 plus \$.42/km travel.
- Pastoral Charge Supervisors: Just a reminder to all our Pastoral Charges that the reimbursement rate for Pastoral Charge Supervisors is \$30/hour including travel time, plus \$.42/km travel.

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AN ONLINE CONVERSATION ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

February 12, **12** – **1** p.m. The lack of affordable housing and levels of homelessness across Canada are at crisis levels in urban and rural communities. Indigenous people continue to experience a generational housing crisis both on and off reserves. You are invited to join and engage with a panel of folks from United Church Community ministries, Indigenous ministries, and the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness. <u>More information</u>

THE OASIS IN KANATA

Monday, February 10, 7 pm: Elise Laviolette, The Oasis in Kanata Program Manager, will share tips and strategies to help caregivers regain vitality by alleviating the stress caregiving places on their nervous system using simple mental and physical exercises they can do throughout the day. Location: Glen Cairn United Church, 140 Abbeyhill Dr. Free. All welcome. Details at: <u>www.TheOasisKanata.ca</u>.

See The Oasis in Kanata's new <u>YouTube video</u> for a description of Glen Cairn United Church's community outreach program for caregivers of people living with mental illness.



A GREEN LENT AT SOUTHMINSTER UNITED: A GRASSROOTS APPROACH TO CLIMATE ACTION

Southminster United will be celebrating a green Lent this year and is welcoming all to join in. During the five Sundays of Lent – March 1 to 29 – Southminster will present a Lenten Series focused on the environment and the use of plastics. Each Sunday will feature a suggested way of reducing single-use plastics in our day-to-day lives. Making reusable produce bags and beeswax wraps will be part of this emphasis.

Highlights

Green Lent Sunday Worship Series

A series rooted in a biblical-theological theme of creation, the environment and stewardship, with each Sunday service (10:30 a.m.) covering a specific topic on the environment.

The Play 12: a collective theatre creation with youth, sparked by their passion for the planet (<u>view trailer</u>)

A production by Kristina Watt, award-winning theater artist, Artistic Director and Founder of <u>100 Watt Productions.</u>

Workshop on How To Make Beeswax Wraps

An easy, affordable way to minimize waste in your home and learn a new skill!

Coffee Hour – More Than Just Coffee and Desserts Various plastic alternatives on display and for sale, including produce bags and beeswax wraps made by members of Southminster.

For more information about these events and how you can join in, visit the Southminster United Church <u>Website</u>

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KANATA UNITED CHURCH invites you to join us for our second Arts Night for the Season of Lent, on Friday, February 28, 2020, at 5:30 PM. Last May, KUC received a generous grant from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, in Grand Rapids, MI, with funds provided by Lilly Endowment Inc. The funds support two Arts Nights over the course of 2019–2020, followed by an Art & Vespers service in April 2020 to celebrate the project. All ages are welcome to join us for this free event. For more information, or to let us know you're coming, please contact Josh at josh@kuc.ca or call the church office at 613.592.5834 <u>More information</u>

ATLANTIC SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY PRESENTS

DIPLOMA IN MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP

Learn the keys to thriving ministry in the 21st Century

Begins in June 2020 - Apply now! Only 25 spots available

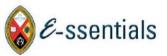
DIPLOMA IN MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AT THE ATLANTIC SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Are you a leader of a faith community committed to nurturing your own faith, growing in your understanding of the missional context around you and networking with other ministry leaders? Are you passionate about mission in the Canadian context? If so, you are invited to apply to be part of the first cohort of participants in this exciting new Diploma program that focuses on developing practical leadership skills and attributes, while learning about the Canadian context as well as the nature and practices of mission-oriented leadership. <u>More</u> <u>information</u>

News from the General Council Office



Distance Learning for Church Leaders in The United Church of Canada United-In-Learning is offering a variety of new courses on their <u>2020 calendar</u>.



The current edition of <u>E-ssentials</u> includes the United Church response to the Coronavirus.

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