



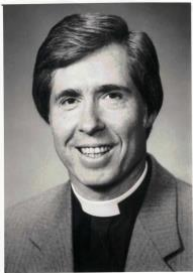
# EOORC News

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

### EDITOR'S NOTE

We're moving into the summer months and since we're still in the throes of a pandemic, I suspect there will be less to report throughout July and August. As a result, I am planning to reduce the frequency of *EOORC News*. Here is the summer schedule: June 17, July 5, July 29, Aug 19. Please note if you want something in the newsletter, send it to me by noon on the Tuesday before the scheduled date. Thanks and stay healthy!

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### REV. DR. ALAN BENNETT

Three days after the 50th anniversary of his ordination, Saturday, May 30th, 2020, Rev. Dr. Alan Bennett passed away peacefully in Kingston, Ontario with his family by his side. Read Rev Bennett's [obituary](#).

### MORE INFORMATION

- [COVID-19](#)
- [Online Worship](#)
- [Add your own \(online\) event](#)

### FOLLOW-UP CONVERSATION ON BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

You are invited to a follow-up online (Zoom) conversation to share questions and ideas in response to two previous conversations with the Ottawa Community Foundation. **FOLLOW-UP CONVERSATION** – Tuesday, June 19, 2020, 2:30 – 4:00 pm

[Register in advance](#) for this meeting. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting online or by telephone.

Hosted by [Jane Dawson](#), Minister Supporting Communities of Faith, Clusters and Networks.

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM



Our 10-member Advisory Board has been working diligently in virtual meetings to determine how to best continue to support the important work of pastoral/spiritual care in our communities especially during a time when the need is more urgent than ever. In March, all of our regular courses and events were postponed until such a time as we can once again meet together in person. In the meantime, we are now looking at providing a series of on-line sessions beginning with the very important topic of "**Pastoral Care in an Era of Physical Distancing**" by **Joyce Hamelin**.

### ABOUT THE SESSION

We all recognize the urgent need for pastoral care at this time, but it now needs to be done in new ways as we physically distance. Joyce Hamelin will provide practical advice and useful tips on how to initiate a conversation, how to engage people and how to minister to them. She will also consider how we can communicate effectively and confidentially during these current circumstances. It promises to be a valuable session and will be as interactive as possible.

### HOW TO REGISTER AND ATTEND

The event will take place **via Zoom on Wednesday, 24 June from 7:00 to 8:30pm.**

To cover costs for this session, we are asking participants to register by Friday, June 19 and pay \$15.

Please choose one of the following two ways to register and **include your name, email address, phone number, and church/institution name** along with:

1. **An e-transfer** sent to [ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com)
2. **OR a cheque** mailed to: Terri Skuce, OPCTP Administrator, 5 Hanover Court, Kanata, ON K2M 2H7

**The OPCTP is pleased to waive the fee for members of the clergy or pastoral/spiritual team leaders and coordinators.**

Instructions (Zoom link, time to arrive and other info) will be emailed to you upon receipt of payment. We look forward to your attendance on June 24. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact our Administrator: Terri Skuce at [ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com) or 613-591-3366.

## COMMUNITY INNOVATION HUB FOR THE ECO-COMMONING PROJECT SERIES

Learn about Eco-Commoning on Thursdays in June with 3, 90-minute online sessions on commoning, social innovation and social enterprise!

- **Session One, June 11** - Bill Phipps and Ted Reeve are back to revisit Eco-Commoning.
- **Session Two, June 18** - More social enterprise and social innovation stories from across the country! Stories from Quebec, British Columbia and Saskatchewan to be featured.
- **Session Three, June 25** - Partnering! How do we start these conversations and build strong relationships? This is the first step in discovering what 'eco-commoning' can look like in your neighbourhood.

All sessions run from 11:30am - 1pm EST.

For information on dates and times and to reserve your spot, please visit the [Series Eventbrite page!](#) Email Sarah at [info@communityinnovationhub.org](mailto:info@communityinnovationhub.org) with any questions or concerns.



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## UCW RETREAT

The annual EOORC UCW Women's Retreat to Camp Quin No Lac in September 2020 has been cancelled.

## NEWS FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE



### MINISTER FOR INDIGENOUS MINISTRIES AND JUSTICE

Murray Pruden has been chosen to serve as the Executive Minister for Indigenous Ministries and Justice in The United Church of Canada. His appointment was approved by the National Indigenous Council last week, and begins on July 1.

Murray is originally from Smoky Lake, Alberta, and is a member of the Goodfish Lake and Saddle Lake First Nations, Treaty 6. He currently lives in Burnaby, BC, and serves as Pacific Mountain Regional Council's Indigenous Minister. [More information](#)



## E-ssentials

[Essentials June 2](#) issue feature an important story: Church Leaders Acknowledge the Racism in Their Midst

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