

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

EDITOR'S NOTE

I'm pleased to report that registration is now open for the **2020 Annual Online Meeting**. Please click on the link below to register. You can attend via your screen at home or by phoning in. For those who can't attend because of technology limitations, we are taking steps to ensure that if you are a lay representative you will receive the documents in time to be able to vote on them. Please get in touch with me either by email or phone to let me know if you require this assistance.

MORE INFORMATION

- 2020 Annual Meeting
- COVID-19
- *** NEW*** Job posting
- *** NEW*** Events
- Pastoral Relations Minutes

Stay healthy!

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ONLINE LICENSED LAY WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING

This <u>program</u> will be offered over two years entirely online through four modules, each containing an introductory webinar that provides an overview of the topic for that module, six online sessions with others and your mentor, assigned readings in preparation for the module, assignments to be completed and shared with the group during the timeframe of the module. Before each module begins, a webinar will introduce you to the tools you will be using (AdobeConnect meeting room, Forums at United-in-Learning, uploading videos, posting on an online board, etc.). Basic United Church of Canada documents that provide guidance for worship leadership will be reviewed.

Sign up for Unit 1 Liturgy, October 2020 – January 2021 here.



UNITED CHURCH RURAL MINISTRY NETWORK

Are you interested in the United Church Rural Ministry Network all across Canada? Visit the <u>webpage</u> and find the newsletter of the Rural Ministry United Church Network, one of the initiatives of those involved in the life of rural congregations.

There is a <u>2-hour Zoom Workshop</u> on September 23rd to help rural folks share stories about how it has been to live through COVID-19. You may be surprised by all that's going on and you may have a story to tell yourself.



A LIVABLE INCOME: TAKE ACTION

Poverty can happen very quickly to anyone. Aware that some pandemic-related relief programs (such as the Canada Emergency Response Benefit, CERB) are scheduled to wind up at the end of this month, <u>Moderator Richard Bott has written</u> to elected officials encouraging them to seize the moment to roll out a guaranteed liveable income (or universal basic income) program in collaboration with the provinces, territories, and Indigenous leadership. In addition to a number of <u>actions</u> you can take to support this initiative, **a vigil is taking place on September 23 at 12:30 p.m. at the Centennial Flame at Parliament Hill.** <u>More information</u>.

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FUNDRAISING DURING COVID-19 - SHARING IDEAS

Many communities of faith have had to make major changes to their typical fundraising strategies during COVID-19. With social distancing policies still in place as the fall season of church suppers and Christmas bazaars approaches, this is likely to require even more creative thinking.

Is your community of faith exploring any new fundraising strategies during COVID-19? Do you have any creative ideas or success stories you would like to share? The more we can learn from each other's experiences, the more we can help each other adapt and even flourish during these challenging times.

If you have any stories you would like to share, please send them to Jane Dawson (<u>jdawson@united-church.ca</u>) or Anita Jansman (<u>ajansman@united-church.ca</u>) **by September 29** and they will be printed in the September 30, 2020 EOORC newsletter. Keep your text brief (about 250 words). Photos, links and contact information are also welcome.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Ottawa Carleton District School Board's Spiritual Care for Secondary Schools Coordinating Committee is currently seeking a Coordinator to work with potential and current Spiritual Care Coordinating Committee, Spiritual Care Volunteer Workers, as well as School Administrators and Guidance Counsellors within OCDSB Secondary Schools. <u>More Information</u>



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2020 Directory of Pastoral Charges Lay Representatives Executive and Leadership Teams Now AVAILABLE! The 2020 EOORC Directory of Pastoral Charges, Lay Representatives, Executive and Leadership Teams If you would like a copy of the directory please send a request to: ajansman@united-church.ca

Want to make a change to the next version of the directory? Please let Anita know.

ALSO AVAILABLE

Updated lists of Licensed Lay Worship Leaders

Contact Anita <u>ajansman@united-</u> <u>church.ca</u> or Whit Strong <u>wstrong@united-church.ca</u> for a list for your geographical area.

NEWS FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE



The September 15 , 2020 issue of <u>Essentials</u> is now available. This issue includes an article entitled: <u>A Livable Income: Take Action</u> and provides information about **a vigil being held in Ottawa on September 22.**



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