

# Wednesday, April 14, 2021

## **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Registration for the EOORC 2021 Annual Meeting is now open. Please see the poster below for the link to the web page. We invite all clergy and lay representatives with voting rights to join us at this online meeting. If you're a member of the EOORC but don't have voting rights, you can still attend!

There's lots going on in the EOORC in addition to the Annual Meeting. Have a look at all there is to offer. And a little bit of housekeeping - see the note on page 2 about updating lay representative information on ChurchHub. Stay healthy!

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## **QUICK LINKS**

- Online Worship Services
- \*\*\*NEW\*\*\* Pastoral Relations <u>Minutes</u>
- Music Matters
- <u>Submit</u> an Event
- Upcoming <u>Events</u>
- Nomination <u>Forms</u>



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# HAVE YOU ELECTED YOUR LAY REPS? GO TO CHURCHHUB!

If your Pastoral Charge and Communities of Faith have elected Lay Representatives for this year, please go to ChurchHub and update your records.

It's important to keep this information up to date in ChurchHub because that is where we go to find contacts for Communities of Faith. Also, Lay Rep information will be collected from ChurchHub for the *EOORC Directory of Pastoral Charges and Lay Representatives* which will be updated later this year.

### EOORC UCW ANNUAL MEETING



# "Embracing Change"

Wednesday May 5, 2021 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Via ZOOM Please register with Carolle Dallas Arbuckle at <u>cdallas@ripnet.com</u> no later than April 28 2021, for the Zoom link

## INTERESTED IN RIGHT RELATIONS?

There has been some interest in starting a Right Relations Group. We would like to get a sense of how many people would like to join an Indigenous-focused learning and action group.

This year's **National Indigenous Day** will be celebrated on Sunday, June 20. It would be helpful to celebrate this day widely in our churches and beyond.

If you would like to be part of this group or want more information, please contact Deitlind Gardell at <u>dgardell@sympatico.ca</u>

MUSIC MATTERS APRIL 22-24, 2021 Musicians in Transformation – an online opportunity to gather and learn together!

Come one, come all! Our annual gathering for Music United will be online this year due to the pandemic. Join us for workshops, worship, a cross-Canada hymn festival, and our Annual General Meeting. Program details below, and registration is through <u>Eventbrite</u>. We're suggesting a contribution of \$50 for the event, with options to pay less or more, according to your circumstance. Once you have registered, you will be sent a Zoom link to attend. See you on Zoom! More information.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS FROM THE MINISTER SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES OF FAITH, CLUSTERS AND NETWORKS

Doing a New Thing: Sharing Stories about Innovative Ministry April 21, 2021 <u>More information</u> EOORC Faith and Ecology Study Group: Reading the Gospel of Mark Ecologically. April – May 2021 <u>More Information</u>

#### UPCOMING WORKSHOP FROM PASTORAL RELATIONS

Healthy Church, Happy Church: Bridges and Roadblocks to Good Communication. April 14, 2021 <u>More Information</u> Congregational Pastoral Care Team: A Zoom Conversation. April 15, 2021 <u>More Information</u>



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#### **VOLUNTEER POSITION AVAILABLE**

The Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality has an opening for a United Church representative to sit on their board. This is a non-voting volunteer position for someone who is willing and able to offer advice and input from a UCC perspective.

In the past, this has been an appointed position through Ottawa Presbytery and now falls under the umbrella of Nominations in EOORC. Interested persons should complete the Expression of Interest form on the EOORC website under Resources/Nominations and click on the Form for Leadership Teams. Fill in your information, add OTS as the team you are interested in joining and email it to the Secretary, Karen McLean, <u>klmclean16@gmail.com</u>.



SEEKING JUSTICE TOGETHER CONFERENCE Citizens for Public Justice May 17 – 20, 2021

Exploring how we are called to seek justice together through intersectional, interpersonal, and interconnected approaches. <u>More information</u>

Stewardship Training and Support for your Community of Faith Called to Be the Church: The Journey



The road to better stewardship and increased generosity does not have to be stormy! Called to Be the Church: The Journey can help you increase revenue in order to better fulfil your Mission! Module 1 is set to launch in the EOORC on **Thursday, May 6**<sup>th</sup>

Module 1: Stewardship Best Practices consists of four 2-hour online sessions to dive into these vital best practices:

- Claim Your Mission -it is really why people give to you
- Cultivate Generosity –practical ways to increase giving
- Create A Culture of Gratitude –saying thank-you is critical
- Stewardship Is Discipleship –integrating stewardship in your spiritual growth programming

Module 1 also includes a **Stewardship Analysis report**, customized with your community of faith's giving and stewardship data. Along with ongoing coaching and support after the four classes, the recommendations in the report will help you set solid and achievable next steps.

For more information, and to register, contact Roger at rianes@united-church.ca or 709-486-3239

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# SONDAGE AUPRÈS DES CITOYENS

La Table de développement social des Collines-de-l'Outaouais réalise une enquête sur l'habitation et le logement. Vous habitez dans une des 7 municipalités de la MRC des Collines-de-l'Outaouais ?

NOUS VOULONS VOUS ENTENDRE !

Sondage disponible du 13 avril au 9 mai. Merci de votre participation! https://fr.surveymonkey.com/r/logement\_habitation\_MRC\_des\_Collines

### **REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM MUNSTER UC**

*Note: We did have someone respond to this request last time but thought we would ask one more time for any other responses.* The City of Ottawa has contacted our Church (Munster United) regarding the possible need for a backflow valve on the municipal water supply line. There is a risk assessment to be done by a Professional Engineer or a plumber with certain qualifications. (<u>Backflow@ottawa.ca</u>)

In order to respond to this, I would need access to a CSA Standard to review criteria, but it costs \$184 and is not available at the library. Have other Churches been contacted about this? Most of those that I have spoken to were not aware of the program.

If anyone can help us to quickly complete the request, please contact Rorry Harding: rorry.harding@gmail.com

# **NEWS FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE**

The <u>April 13<sup>th</sup></u> issue of *Essentials* is available discusses *Broadview*'s success and recent award.

United-in-Learning is offering new courses this month including "Preparing for Retirement: a practical spirituality"

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