



EOORC News

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

REQUESTING YOUR HELP IN UPDATING THE *EOORC DIRECTORY OF PASTORAL CHARGES, LAY REPRESENTATIVES AND EXECUTIVE*



2020 Directory of Pastoral Charges
Lay Representatives
Executive and Leadership Teams

I'm in the process of updating the Directory of Pastoral Charges, Lay Representatives and Executive **and asking for assistance from Lay Representatives and Clergy**. Please have a look at your copy of the 2020 directory or if you don't have one, click [here](#) get a copy. Find your pastoral charge in the directory and send me a quick email to let me know either that the information is correct (i.e. unchanged from last year) or send me the updated information. Please put "EOORC Directory" in the subject line of your email. Thank you!

Stay healthy and hopeful,
Anita ajansman@united-church.ca

QUICK LINKS

- ***New*** [Opportunities to Serve](#) (formerly known as Nominations)
- [Online Worship](#)
- [Affirm Workshop](#)
- [Rural Connect "What's Next Conversations"](#)
- [Upcoming Events](#)
- [Submit an Event](#)

LOOKING FOR NOMINATION INFORMATION?

We have moved it to a new tab. From [homepage](#) click on *Resources* and then [Opportunities To Serve](#).



From The EOORC Affirm Team

We will be holding the first in series of educational workshops during the discernment process of becoming an affirming ministry. Our first workshop will be held by ZOOM on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23RD, 7:00PM – 9:00PM. Topic: Understanding Gender and Pronouns. Presented by Roxanne Akhtar Register [here](#)

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ATTENTION MINISTRY PERSONNEL: ANNUAL DECLARATION LAST CALL FOR 2021

All ministry personnel (including retirees) who wish to actively perform any functions of ministry need to have their 2021 annual declaration completed by June 30th.

To fill out the annual declaration, log in to <https://churchhub.ca/> and “My Ministry Page.” Look to the right for the “My Professional Requirements” box and then select the “View” link next to “Annual Declaration 2021” which will open the form.

- Enter the date of your last police records check and click on “OK” below the date box.
- Check off either the “I have” or “I have not had” criminal charges/convictions option that pertains to you.
- If you select “I have”, you will need to enter in the box below that option details of those charges/convictions.
- Check the box “By submitting ...”.
- Click on the big blue “SUBMIT” button.

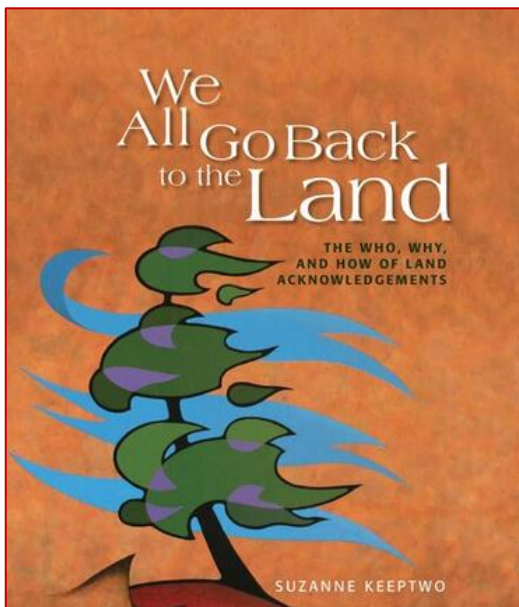
There, you’re done for another year!

Having Trouble With ChurchHub?

If the 2021 annual declaration option is not visible to you, please ensure that you are using Google Chrome as your web browser and log in to ChurchHub. Check this [link](#) for some common issues and simple trouble-shooting steps to try

Still Not Working? Please [open a ticket with HelpDesk](#).

*Please note that General Council Office staff are working from home, due to Covid-19, and so it may take a little longer for responses.



EOORC RIGHT RELATIONS NETWORK

Summer Online Book Study
Thursday June 24th, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
All welcome to share, learn, and generate ideas for Indigenous History Month.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



RURAL MINISTRY NETWORK

Summer 2021 Newsletter is now [available](#)

GRACE UNITED CHURCH, CHELSEA CLOSING SERVICE

Sunday June 27th

Two services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

(Registration required)

AND

[livestreamed](#) at 9:00 a.m.

Please join us as we celebrate the building’s history and ask God’s blessing on the community in this time of transition. The congregation of Grace United Church will continue to worship in Chelsea and Rupert. In Chelsea, they will be sharing a building with St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church.

To register, please contact Rev. Natalie Matkovsky (Istead):
eglisegraceminister@gmail.com

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NEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CASE WORKER

Hi! My name is George Jr. Langevin West. I am a recent graduate of the St. Lawrence College Environmental Technician program in Cornwall, Ontario.

I wear many hats. I'm a computer guy to some, a locksmith to others and a trusted friend to many. I enjoy helping people in any capacity I can and this Summer of 2021, I am helping the **Knox St. Paul's United Church** in designing their community garden and a meditative space nearby.

I will be researching existing designs, visualizing them in the church's property and helping the community decide what design should be implemented. If you see me on the Knox St. Paul United Church's property, or in public, by all means call my name and I will gladly take a moment to chat! I love meeting new people!

It is my wish that the garden I will be creating will bring people, pollinators and Mother Earth together and foster a sense of togetherness, peace and relaxation that all can enjoy. I want this garden to be a place that people can come find healthy food and solace, pollinators can come to spread their wings and help plants grow, and birds can come to roost and eat for a little moment.



NEW OUTREACH PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Hello! My name is Alex Price and I'm the Outreach Program Coordinator for **Bethel United Church** in Rideau Ferry. I'm a University of Ottawa student who is currently studying International Development and Human Rights, and thanks to the Canada Summer Job Grant Program, I'm working in my field of Community Development in my first year! One of the goals I am focusing on is a *Rural Churches Connection Project*, which is to provide support to local churches during the pandemic. This entails creating goals for rural churches to move forward from these hard times.

One of the goals I am focusing on is a "Rural Churches Connection Project" and have learned to love and observe the needs of rural communities. While in high school, I had the opportunity to travel to El Salvador through mission trips by the United Church of Canada where I discovered my passion for development! I'm very grateful for the opportunity for this summer job provided by this grant and am excited to work in my field, in my local community!



ST. PAUL'S EASTERN UNITED

St. Paul's Eastern UC is still offering items to the EOORC. See the updated list [here](#). Contact:

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**IN HONOUR OF THE 96TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

In April and May of 2021 almost 70 ministry personnel from across the denomination submitted videos of them singing VU#595. Some also sent accompaniment tracks that were added to those from The Prince George Conservatory of Music's faculty. You can view the video [here](#) and share it with your congregations. While the copyright information has been included, it is important for each community to also use their own licenses and appropriately report the use of **VU#595 We Are Pilgrims**.

KINDNESS OF JAZZ PRESENTS:

**ARISE, MY LOVE, MY FAIR ONE,
AND COME AWAY WITH ME -
SONG OF SONGS**

KINDNESS OF JAZZ AT MACKAY is premiering a meditative video entitled *Arise My Love and Come Away*, which combines music recorded at MacKay with contemplative photographs by Rev Michael Blair, General Secretary of the United Church of Canada. Original music by Tim Jackson, performed by Peter Woods/Tim Jackson/Lu Frattaroli. Video designed by Harriet Fisher. Here is the [link](#) - enjoy!

Finding Peter Bryce

Several years ago, Toronto United Church Council sponsored the production of a film entitled **Finding Peter Bryce: Story of a National Crime**. The 20-minute [video](#) tells the story of an early whistleblower within the residential school system who was ultimately silenced by the government of Canada. Please share widely with your Communities Of Faith and beyond.

NEWS FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE



e-ssentials

The June 15th issue of [Essentials](#) features Pride Month Resources.
The June 22nd issue of [Essentials](#) features Asian LGBTQI+ Pride Month Videos.

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