



# EOORC News

Wednesday, September 1, 2021

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to September! Hasn't the summer gone quickly! Though, September is a beautiful month and there's still lots of great weather to come. It is the month, however, that marks new beginnings for a lot of people. The EOORC executive will be meeting soon and I'll be sure to let you know what the plans are for this fall once dates have been decided upon.

We're happy to tell you about our new EOORC music co-convenors. Read about them on page 2.

**Lay Reps and Clergy, please read the note below about the Sacraments Elder Survey.**

Stay healthy!

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## QUICK LINKS

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## SACRAMENTS ELDER SURVEY

The Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council (EOORC) is considering a policy that would guide decisions when a pastoral charge requests that one or more of its members be appointed as sacraments elders while it has no called or appointed ministers. We are asking you to fill out a survey to help us collect information.

**Lay Reps and Clergy: If you haven't already done so, please fill out the appropriate survey by September 30, 2021.:**

- If you are a **Lay Representative** for your pastoral charge, please fill out [this survey](#)
- If you are **Clergy**, please fill out [this survey](#)

### Any Questions? Contact

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### NEW MUSIC UNITED CONVENORS

As of April 2021, Kimberly Allen-McGill completed her term as EOORC Music Convenor. We thank Kimberly for all the hard work and commitment in providing music to the EOORC, particularly at our regional meetings. During the last year and half, while we've been trying to bring people together in less-than-ideal conditions, Kimberly has always been there with her talent and enthusiasm to insert wonderful music into our meetings.

Two new musicians, Pat Mayberry and Bryan Cook, have been named Music United's Co-convenors in the EOORC.



**Pat Mayberry** is a Canadian singer - song and hymn writer with a passion for melody and harmony and music which touches the listener deeply. She is no stranger to United Church congregations across the country, having four hymns published in the More Voices hymn book and another one in the Mennonite hymnbook. Pat is a member of First United Church in Ottawa and has written many hymns, anthems and worship pieces which she generously shares widely with church musicians everywhere. Pat divides her time between Ottawa and Alexandria, Ontario where she and her partner, Dr. Heather McIntosh, own and operate MerryMac Farm. Learn more about Pat's music [www.patmayberry.com](http://www.patmayberry.com)



**Bryan Cook** serves as the Director of Music at St. Andrew's United Church in Metcalfe, Ontario. He brings years of experience on the bench, as he's been playing the piano since the age of 9 and playing at churches from the age of 13. Bryan also brings unique gifts to the position of Co-convenor. He's a former CEO of sports organizations (General Manager, Nepean Hotspurs Soccer Club, and Marketing and Finance Officer of Eastern Ontario Hockey, where he was successful in several fundraising projects, and grant applications. Bryan enjoys composing hymns and anthems in his spare time, when he's not busy with his young family.

Congratulations and welcome, Pat and Bryan! Thank you in advance for your volunteer efforts in making music a beautiful thing and a vibrant part of our worship traditions in all of our churches!



#### IT'S TIME TO GET YOUR STEWARDSHIP DUCKS IN A ROW

The **Stewardship Analysis report** from the Stewardship Best Practices module of "*Called to Be the Church: The Journey*" can help! Ask us how: [rjanes@united-church.ca](mailto:rjanes@united-church.ca)

Limited seats available for the next intake of "*Called to Be the Church: The Journey*", beginning September 14<sup>th</sup>.

### REMAINING ITEMS AT ST. PAUL'S EASTERN

St Paul's Eastern has some remaining items for disbursement, including [sheet music](#), [choir robes](#), [pews](#), and a Hamilton grand piano. If interested, please contact: William Potts-Halpin, St Paul's Eastern United Church, 613-816-5930, [stpaulseastern@rogers.com](mailto:stpaulseastern@rogers.com)

## NEWS FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE



### e-ssentials

The August 24<sup>th</sup> issue of [Essentials](#) is now available. Read more about how, for just \$25, you can give the gift of a two-shot dose of vaccine in a country still struggling through the worst of the pandemic.



2021 Fall [programs and events](#) listing is now available.

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