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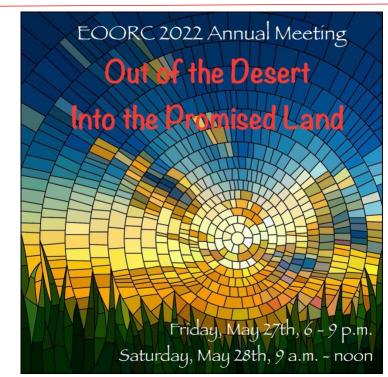
The bi-weekly newsletter of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council

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REGISTER HERE

This year, you can create a "satellite" meeting in which Communities of Faith meet at one location in close proximity to each other. Representatives can meet at a single church hall to watch the proceedings, vote if needed and enjoy refreshments and fellowship together. If you decide to hold a satellite meeting of up to 10 people, you will need the technology and a screen from which the Zoom meeting can be displayed. You will also need to assign a scrutineer, someone who can record votes and take attendance.

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The Nominations Team is looking for Joyful and Excited people to be part of the new age of the United Church of Canada. Please consider the following opportunities:

- Two Commissioners to GC44. This year's GC 44 is online and we can help if you are in a rural area and have technology needs. Please let us know ASAP; deadline is May 15, 2022.
- Three members on the Nomination Team; new blood brings a new group of fun people to work together on the various teams in EOORC.
- Two members for the Executive
- President Elect (lay or ordered) who has a passion for the United Church and would like to be involved in the direction in which we are moving
- One member for the Communications Leadership Team

More information and forms can be found <u>HERE</u>.



A Rural Housing Crisis ... Really?

Over the past two years, the housing crisis has become a focal point at the House of Lazarus as people come through their doors with no place to live. Join Cathy Ashby, Executive Director of House of Lazarus, to gain insight into the housing crisis in rural Eastern Ontario. <u>More Information</u>



MULTIFAITHHOUSING.CA/TULIPATHON

Multifaith Housing Initiative (MHI) believes that people are better able to move forward with their lives if they are first housed. Each year, MHI provides rent subsidies to the majority of their tenants who need a bit of help each month to make ends meet. MHI's annual Tulipathon walkathon raises funds to help. We invite you to join members of many other faith traditions on May 29th at Dow's Lake to demonstrate how, working together, we can support affordable housing!

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REDress Day, May 5, 2022 – Emmanuel United Church



Have you ever lost a child—even for a few minutes? How would it feel to lose a child, mother, aunt, sister, cousin, friend—for ever! You never learn what happened to them—or—they are found murdered and sometimes having been sexually assaulted as well. This is what has happened to the families of well over 1200 missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls and two spirit people. It is felt by their entire communities. It is STILL happening!

This year at <u>Emmanuel United Church</u>, we have once again hung red dresses outside in trees at 691 Smyth and one in the sanctuary. The installation is a solemn memorial to those whose lives were lost, and in tribute to the thousands of Indigenous people still being victimized, murdered or missing in our society.

In addition, red dress pins, cut from felt with a little information piece were given out after Sunday worship on May 1st and are available for the community in a basket outside the Church and will be on a table at our Community Yard Sale (in the church parking lot) on May 14, 2022.

A <u>brochure</u> was made explaining the REDress tribute and drawing attention to the **Calls for Justice** from the **Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls** released June 3, 2019.

News from the General Council Office



The May 3rd edition of *E-ssentials* is now available. This issue offers insight to Kindred Works, which helps to re-imagine church properties for the common good.



The <u>April 26th</u> issue of *United-In-Learning* is available.

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