



EOORC News

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

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

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SETTING OUR SIGHTS WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

CONSULTATION EVENTS

- Saturday, August 26 – 10am – 2pm – Knox – St. Paul's United Church, Cornwall ([REGISTER BY MONDAY AUGUST 21ST](#))
- Saturday, September 9 – 10am – 2pm – Wesley United Church, Pembroke ([REGISTER BY MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH](#))
- Thursday, September 14 – 7 – 9pm – Zoom Gathering for members of Leadership Teams
- Saturday, September 16 – 10am -2pm – Kitchissippi United Church, Ottawa ([REGISTER BY MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH](#))
- Tuesday, September 19 – 7-9pm – Zoom Gathering for anyone
- Saturday, September 23 – 10am – 2pm – St. Paul's United Church, Perth ([REGISTER BY MONDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH](#))

Each of these events will follow a similar process of discussion and discernment. If you cannot attend the one closest to you, choose another event. Lunch will be provided at the in-person events.

SURVEY

Click [HERE](#) to fill out the survey. A PDF of the survey is available on the [Setting Our Sights](#) webpage.

Visit the [Setting Our Sights](#) webpage to register for one of the events taking place throughout August and September, and to read more about the Setting Our Sights Working Group.



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From the desk of
**Rev. Whit
Strong** Minister
for Pastoral
Relations

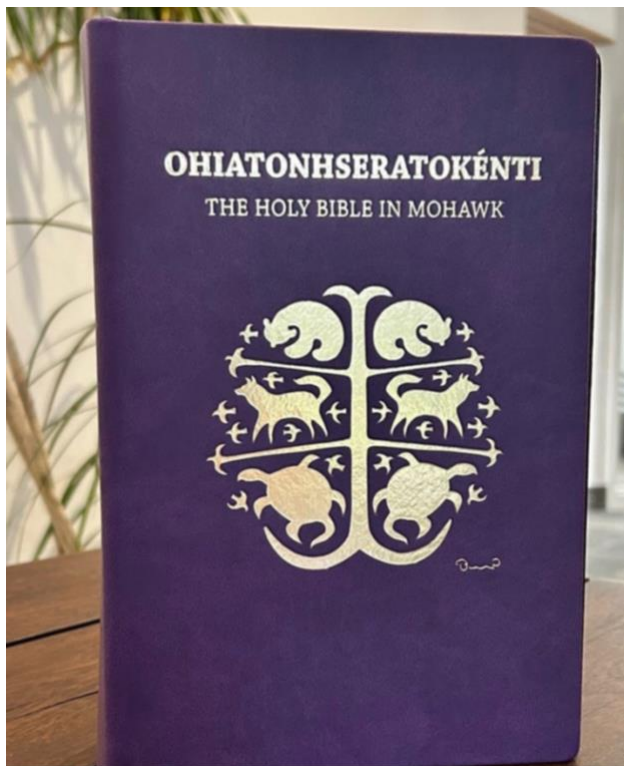


Retired Ministers – Are You Available For Pulpit Supply?

EOORC needs ministers to do occasional pulpit supply, particularly to help out in administering the sacraments. The geographic areas most in need are the western part of EOORC, the areas formerly known as Four Rivers and Upper Valley Presbyteries. Please contact Rev. [Whit Strong](#) if you are available.

Sacraments Elders Training

Communities of Faith who are expecting to be without a called or appointed minister for an extended period of time are invited to consider having a suitable person from within your congregation be trained and licenced as a Sacraments Elder. EOORC is offering a six-session training course (on Zoom) for Sacraments Elders beginning in September. If your pastoral charge has a suitable person to put forward as a potential Sacraments Elder, please be in touch with Rev. [Whit Strong](#) as soon as possible.



Mohawk Bible

The complete Mohawk translation of the Bible will be available this fall. It offers a deep resonance as a tangible symbol of reconciliation for all of our communities of faith and missions who live and work on traditional Mohawk lands. [Read more.](#)

The retail price is **\$45 per Bible** (proceeds will be going to language retention programs in collaboration with The UC Foundation and our Indigenous Church).

A dedication of the Bible is set to take place on September 9, 2023, in Kanesatake, QC. The translation is expected to be available in hardcopy, digital copy, and audiobook formats.

More information about purchasing the Mohawk Bible will be made available soon.

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Bells Corners United Church – Progressive Learning Circle

October 13 -14, 2023

Two Canoes - One River

SPEAKERS:

Rev. Tony Snow

Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole



You are invited to an exploration of native spiritualities and the rich history and traditions of Indigenous United Churches with guest speakers, Rev. Tony Snow and Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole. [More information.](#)

OFFICERS ADMINISTRATORS
SAVE THE DATE!

United Church Office Administrators Conference

The retreat is planned for **October 1-4, 2024**, and it will take place at Queen's House in Saskatoon, SK. All church office administrators are welcome to attend! Further information and details will be coming soon.



Old Hay Bay Church
Annual Pilgrimage Service
August 27, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker
Rev. Rosemary Lambie
[More Information](#)

CLERGY LUNCH AT LIAM MAGUIRE'S every second Tuesday of each month at 11:30 AM through the summer and into the fall. For more information, contact Rev. Mike Perrault: ouc.mikeperreault@rogers.com

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A Meaningless Hour
with
King Solomon and the Book
of Ecclesiastes
Presented by Tom Sherwood

Carleton University and open to the
public on
Tuesday, August 22, 2023
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

[More information](#)

More appearances will take place
throughout Ottawa over
the next few months.
Contact [Tom Sherwood](#) for more
information.

Sad News from Eglise Unie Saint Marc

La paroisse Saint Marc d'Ottawa à la profonde douleur de vous annoncer le décès de l'épouse du Pasteur Akoussah survenue le 11 août 2023 à Lomé au Togo des suites d'une longue maladie. L'Éternel a donné, l'Éternel a pris que son nom soit Glorifié.

The congregation of Saint Marc in Ottawa is deeply saddened to announce the death of the wife of Pastor Akoussah which occurred on August 11, 2023 in Lomé, Togo following a long illness. The Lord gave, the Lord took, His name be Glorified.

OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING
SERVING OTTAWA AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS

Register for Fall Courses [HERE](#)

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News from the General Council Office

The United Church of Canada call for Nominations for Fall 2023 is now live on the United Church of Canada website for the following: *(click on titles below to view the full description)*

- [Task Group on Apology to Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ Communities](#)
- [Total Compensation Review Task Group](#)
- [Audit Committee](#)
- [The General Council Executive](#)

Do you feel called to any of the above opportunities? You are encouraged to apply and to share your gifts and talents. **Deadline for nominations is Monday, September 25, 2023.**



E-ssentials

The [August 15th](#) edition is now available and features a story about Right Rev Carmen Lansdowne's appointment to Emmanuel College.



United in Learning

e-Learning for church leaders

The [August 10th](#) issue is now available.

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