



DEEP SPIRITUALITY - BOLD DISCIPLESHIP - DARING JUSTICE

SURVEY – What type of discussions/resources would be most helpful to your community of faith?

This is an invitation for your input about potential learning sessions to support us in living our faith as a regional council with **deep spirituality, bold discipleship and daring justice**. Please share your ideas:

<https://bit.ly/2022-RC-LearningSessions-Survey>



May 5 is the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. **#RedDressDay**

Calls to action: <https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report/>

MAY 2022

- **Month of May** - Asian Heritage Month
- **May 2-8** - Mental Health Week
- **May 8** - Christian Family Sunday
- **May 17** - International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia
- **May 22** - Rural Life Sunday

Worship Resources: <https://united-church.ca/worship-special-days>

REGIONAL COUNCIL NEWS



REGIONAL COUNCIL GATHERINGS

SAVE THE DATE: June 4, 2022

Spring 2022 Regional Council Meeting - Daring Justice

For the first time in two years, we hope to gather in person (as well as on Zoom) hosted by Lakeshore Trinity United Church in Pointe-Claire.

*** An invitation to register will be sent out later this week; please respond ASAP so we know how many plan to attend in person or online. ***

EXECUTIVE

REMINDER - Upcoming Executive Meeting: **May 19** (Thursdays, 9 am to 12 pm via Zoom)

NOMINATIONS

REMINDER - Call for Nominations and Expressions of Interest

The Regional Council - and the communities of faith that it serves - all thrive when individuals share their unique talents and gifts in the ways that they feel called to participate. What are you feeling called to share? Contact the nominations team to find out where your gifts may offer the most benefit.

Learn more: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/resources/nominations/>



MINISTRY PERSONNEL

Service of Celebration for Rev. Ryan Fea

A service of celebration of Rev. Ryan Fea's time with Merging Waters Pastoral Charge has been scheduled for **Saturday, June 18, at 1 pm** at Union Church, 24 Maple, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue. All are welcome.

REMINDER - Online Ministry Support Group

Next meeting is **Tuesday, June 7 at 1:30 pm**. Learn more: dhayward@united-church.ca

REMINDER - 2022-23 Voluntary Associate Minister (VAM) Forms

Updated VAM forms for 2022-23 are now available to download on the regional council website. Please send completed forms to Joel Miller at jmiller@united-church.ca.

Download forms: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/resources/policies/>

REMINDER - Annual Declarations

2022 annual declaration for ministry personnel is now open via ChurchHub, until **May 15, 2022**.

Need help accessing ChurchHub? Please contact ministry@united-church.ca.

FINANCE & EXTENSION BOARD

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REMINDERS

SABBATICAL LEAVE 2023 - CALL FOR REQUESTS - June 1, 2022

Learn more: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/resources/sabbatical-leave/>

2022 BURSARIES - CALL FOR REQUESTS - June 3, 2022

Learn more: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/resources/bursaries/>

LEARNING NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

NEWS FROM UNITED THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE



Congratulations to Recent Graduates of United Theological College/Seminaire Uni

The Regional Council offers congratulations to Norman Robert Boie and Jean-Philippe Dubé-Goupil on the awarding of their diplomas earlier this week, and to Rev. Cathy Hamilton for her honorary doctorate. Congratulations also go out to students who were recognized for their achievements, and to Board Chair Patty Evans who received recognition as Companion of the College. Thanks to Adele Halliday for a moving convocation speech and reminder of the importance of trauma-informed ministry.

Watch video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ugzY7ccrLo>

See program and list of student prizes: <https://bit.ly/2022-05-02-Program-Prizes-Convocation-UTC>

New steps in relationship between the United Theological College and Montreal Dio

The United Theological College and Montreal Dio are taking new steps to deepen their relationship and provide for excellent theological education in Montreal.

In agreement documents approved by the Boards of Governors at separate meetings on April 21, 2022, Dio agrees to formally launch a United Church Studies Program that will prepare students for ordered ministry in the United Church of Canada. Dio also agrees to continue building on UTC's work with French-speaking students and students learning French by offering and enhancing French-language programs and programs that prepare people for bilingual ministry.

Patty Evans, the chairperson of UTC's Board of Governors, said, "We are entering this partnership with aspirations for all that we hope to gain as we share and learn from one another, mutually celebrating our gifts and strengths. As the UTC Board of Governors, we are gratified that our aim to ensure the continuity of United Church theological education in Montreal beyond the existence of UTC itself is being realized."

UTC will take steps to wind down its legal existence and transfer its remaining assets to Dio. In turn, Dio will amend its constitution to provide for United Church participation in its governance. Dio will be an ecumenical institution that continues to train students for ministry in the Anglican, United Church, and other traditions, in partnership with the Montreal School of Theology and McGill University.

Learn more: <https://utc.ca/new-steps-in-relationship-between-the-united-theological-college-and-montreal-dio/>

EMMANUEL COLLEGE (Toronto)

REMINDER - Christian Left Conference 2022

The Christian Left Conference 2022, "Creation, Land, and Indigeneity: Resistance on Turtle Island and Beyond," will be held online on **August 5-6, 2022**. This year's conference will focus on Indigenous efforts in self-determination and resistance, as well as the challenge that Indigenous histories, traditions of storytelling, and ways of knowing pose to dominant Eurocentric narratives. Our featured keynote speakers include Carmen Lansdowne, Jenny Te-Paal Daniel and Dan Longboat.

Visit <https://uoft.me/ChristianLeftConference> for details.

UNITED IN LEARNING

See the entire line-up of learning opportunities for 2022 at: <https://www.united-in-learning.com/>

EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

<https://united-church.ca/opportunities>

Office Administrator - Anglican Church of All Saints by the Lake

Would you like to work part-time in a relaxed, friendly environment? Are you highly efficient, organized, and detail-oriented? Do you enjoy interacting with people, and playing with Canva and social media? The Anglican Church of All Saints by the Lake, a long-standing community presence in the West Island, is hiring an OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR. We seek a friendly, professional individual to manage all aspects of our office's functioning, and keep our priest, musicians and volunteer leaders operating at their best! Must be able to juggle numerous tasks while maintaining confidentiality. Competitive salary and benefits. You do NOT have to be a Christian to apply for this job. The Anglican Diocese of Montreal is fully affirming of LGBTQ+ people, and All Saints' building is fully wheelchair accessible.

Learn more: <http://www.gracepritchardburson.net/2022/04/26/parish-administrator-job-description/>

Canada Summer Jobs Program Positions Available with United Church of Canada

- Data Analysis Assistant
- Youth Anti-Racism Animator
- Data Assistant Incorporated Ministries
- Retail Digital Marketing & Public Relations Assistant
- Marketing Coordinator, UCC Foundation
- Human Resources Assistant
- Human Resources Technical Assistant
- Anti-Racism App Developer
- Anti-Racism Curriculum Developer
- Data Management Assistant, Office of Vocation

Additional employment and volunteer opportunities are available through United Church of Canada at <https://united-church.ca/opportunities/> or <https://egliseunie.ca/engagement-et-formation/emplois-et-benevolat/>

REGIONAL COUNCIL NETWORKS AND LEADERSHIP TEAMS

LIVING INTO RIGHT RELATIONS

rightrelationsnakonhaka@gmail.com

Invitation to Leadership Teams

Members of Executive and leadership teams are invited to participate in a blanket exercise on **May 28 at 1 pm** (alternate date **June 11**) at Maison Saint Columba House - 2365 rue Grand Trunk, Montreal H3K 1M8 (parking available on the street).

For more information, please contact the LIRR team at rightrelationsnakonhaka@gmail.com

Learn more about the blanket exercise: <https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/>

April 2022 Newsletter from United Church of Canada Living into Right Relations

- General Council Proposal NIC – 01: Restructuring the Indigenous Church
- Learning Circle Brings Ministry Students Together
- New! Extended Deadline for Justice and Reconciliation Applications!

Learn more: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/living-into-right-relations-1049088>



Youth Forum

Congratulations to organizers and participants for a successful Youth Forum at Cedar Park United Church on Saturday, **April 30, 2022**.

REMINDERS

United Spirit Camp will be hosting a week of in-person sleep away camp this summer. After a two-year hiatus, we are back this summer with an amazing fun-packed week of joy and excitement. Camp will be from **June 26 to July 2, 2022**. Registration is now open, and spaces are limited. Our theme this summer is *Caring for Creation*.

Registration: <https://sites.google.com/view/campunitedspirit/home>

JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

STATEMENT ON RED-TAGGING OF THE CHURCH AND REV. CATHERINE CHANG

(shared by Patricia Lisson)

On Monday, April 11, the Rev. Cathy Chang was red-tagged. In the early evening at her home in Quezon City, there were stickers and tarpaulin with her photos with accusations of supporting terrorism and threatening her to get out of the country. On Saturday, April 9, two days before this incident, Rev. Cathy received an invitation to meet with a progressive party-list candidate and discuss peace issues.

The UCCP condemns in the strongest terms the recent acts of red-tagging and malicious vilification. Acts like these are concrete manifestations to blemish the integrity of our Church Workers, our Mission Co-workers, and our Church in general, as it faithfully carries out the mission of Christ to bring good news of hope and life to the masses...

Read more: <https://www.uccpchurch.com/statement-on-red-tagging-of-the-church-and-rev-catherine-chang/>

PRIDE & FRIENDS

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/fiertemontrealprideunitedchurch>

REMINDER - Beginning the Affirming Process



Pride & Friends is looking for volunteers to be part of the committee to facilitate the Affirm United process for the Conseil régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council. If you are interested in helping facilitate this process, please contact David-Roger Gagnon at: DRGagnon@united-church.ca as soon as possible. Thank you.

Learn more about Affirm United: <https://affirmunited.ause.ca/>

FOUND ON FACEBOOK:

Join our Board of Directors

Apply by May 13th, 2022
Send your Resume
and/or Cover letter to:
BOARD@LGBTQ2CENTRE.COM

For More Info:
(514) 794 - 5428
BOARD@LGBTQ2CENTRE.COM

ALL APPLICANTS WELCOME
SO LONG AS THEY SHARE IN OUR VISION FOR AN
INCLUSIVE WORLD FOR ALL!

**SKILLS/EXPERIENCE IN THE FOLLOWING
WOULD ALSO BE APPRECIATED**

- FUNDRAISING
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- GOVERNANCE AND POLICY

For More Info:
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Sacred Stones / Pierres sacrées (GreenFaith Montreal)

It was a cloudy Monday as we gathered on the St. James Square with our First Nation and interfaith friends, and joined by passers-by from St. Catherine St., to honour the sacred stones of creation. With stones in hand, we moved throughout the square, projecting ourselves back in time to the big bang and then forward through all the ages to our current time of 'oiko-genesis' - the time of 'caring for our home'...
(shared on Facebook by Montreal City Mission)

Learn more: <https://www.facebook.com/montrealcitymission/posts/5039637772779990>

Anti-Polus (Natacha Sanson)

The Anti-Polus PowerPoint presentation by some dynamic young ecologists to their parents and the Environment Network on April 22, 2022 will be available on the website later this week.

Learn more: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/programs/environment-network/>

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

<https://nakonhakaucc.ca/programs/ucw/>

REMINDER - UCW 60th ANNIVERSARY: CONTINUING IN HOPE - July 11 – 15, 2022

Learn more: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/event/ucw-60th-anniversary-continuing-in-hope/>

LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

<https://nakonhakaucc.ca/events/>


EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

Healing after Isolation – a Community Tapestry coordinated by Kathleen Winter

This work invites all ages to create images that speak to healing during recent and ongoing loneliness and isolation in our communities. The goal is to create a community tapestry using humble and often recycled materials, to express our shared work of healing, creativity, and hope. The work consists of a large cotton painting tarpaulin illustrated by participants, using techniques such as stitching, painting, and collage. It will be displayed in a community space as a map of resilience and joy in continuing difficult times. This is an ongoing work in progress, and it can be displayed at any stage in its completion, with open invitation to anyone who wishes to add something to it. Participation can be fleeting or long-term, depending on each maker's time and availability.

Music/drumming: Trisha Pope

Watch video: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1032651567660378>



Community Health Fair (via Facebook)

Our Community Health Fair (on April 30) started off with a bang! A Drumming circle led by Patrick Simard. What a day... music and food and healthy choices... as we gathered as a community. Alleluia!

Quilt Show

Friday, May 13: 10 am to 4 pm and Saturday, May 14: 9 am to 3 pm

CHALMERS-WESLEY UNITED CHURCH

Musical Wednesdays (78 Rue Sainte-Ursule in Old Quebec)

A series of one-hour long free concerts (donations welcome) **every Wednesday at 12:10 p.m. from June 29 to August 31**. We have a great variety of musicians this year from a Celtic band (including bagpipes), to organists, pianists, singers (classical and Broadway tunes) flutists and guitarists.

Open Doors (78 Rue Sainte-Ursule in Old Quebec)

The church is open to visitors daily from **June 21 to September 11 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** except Sundays (after the worship service) from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Worship services at 11:10 a.m. - All are welcome

Complete details will be on our website by early June. <https://chalmerswesley.org/>

SUMMERLEA UNITED CHURCH



Taizé Service - Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00pm

(Summerlea United Church, 225, 50th Avenue, Lachine)

A Taizé worship service involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, a period of silence, liturgical readings, and icons.

Download poster: <https://bit.ly/2022-05-10-Taize-Summerlea>

VALOIS UNITED CHURCH

Spring Rummage Sale and Bake Sale - Saturday, May 14 from 9 am to noon.

(Valois United Church, 70 Belmont Ave., Pointe Claire)

Non-winter clothing, kitchenware, used jewelry, used books, garden tools and toys are among the items you will find in the sale.... and let's not forget a wonderful variety of homemade sweets and goodies.

<https://valoisunited.ca/index.html>

BEACONSFIELD UNITED CHURCH

Beaconsfield United Church Membership Class (shared by Adedeji Sunday Akintayo)

As part of our church leadership pioneered initiative to establish immigrant church driven by the core values of United Church of Canada, Beaconsfield United Church commenced a five-week membership class training of 14 new people to officially join our church.

In 2017 when Adedeji, the coordinator of Beaconsfield United Church refugee integration support program joined the United Church and passed through the membership class confirmation, it was apparent to encourage other newly arrived refugees to embrace United Church of Canada membership.

During our five-week membership class, participants will learn what it means to be a member of The United Church of Canada. They will also get an overview of United Church of Canada core values, serving, and connecting opportunities available to help individuals grow in faith, meet other believers, and get involved.

Beaconsfield United Church membership class is not a human idea but Christ command to us to be a fisher of people to His kingdom. While we acknowledge that all true believers in Jesus Christ are positionally members of the universal Church, we believe participation and commitment in a local church body should be a normal act of obedience for all true believers in Jesus Christ.

This class will run from **May 3-31** with confirmation at **June 5th** Pentecost service in our church auditorium.

Our passionate calls in our diverse ministry's is to grow more Ambassadors for Christ as stated in 2 Corinthians 5 vs 20. Our mission is to be and make disciples.

ÉGLISE UNIE SAINT-PIERRE ET PINGUET

REMINDER - Parole sur le pouce Weekly online bible study (in French), Fridays at 12:15 pm

Learn more: pasteur@stpierrepinguet.org

STE. GENEVIEVE UNITED CHURCH



REMINDER - Monthly Ultreya – May 13, 2022 at 7:30pm

These gatherings happen on the 2nd Friday of the month from 7:30 - 8:30 pm. We'll start off with an opening prayer and welcome. The program varies but it typically includes sharing of our faith and plans of action, fellowship and singing some of our favourite songs. Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/94337193524>

Spring Market
Marché de printemps

Artisans **Books / Livres**
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Baked Goods/Biscuits, gâteaux
Community partners/
Partenaires communautaires

Le samedi 7 mai 2022
 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 10 h – 16 h

ETON'S BBQ
 Come for Lunch / Venez dîner

As **Mountainside United Church** proceeds in a downsizing exercise there might be items that would be useful to you. Please feel free to make an inquiry to: 514-486-1165 or admin@mountainsideunited.ca.

All God's Children:
 Understanding and Welcoming the Trans Community

Two workshops presented by
 BUC Student Minister
 Bailey Eastwood

Trans 101 - May 12

This workshop is aimed at those who do not have very much knowledge of the trans and non-binary community and terminology. We will go over different trans identities and basic terminology, and have lots of time for questions.

Trans-Inclusive Spaces and Communities - May 26

In this workshop, we'll explore practical ways of making our congregations truly welcoming spaces for trans community members. Many communities want to be places of welcome for trans people, but don't necessarily have the tools to enact that welcome. This session is designed to provide you with those tools!

Note: this session will assume participants already have some basic understanding of trans identities and terminology - if you do not have this prior knowledge, please plan to also attend the Trans 101 workshop.

Both sessions 7 PM on Zoom. Please email community@beaconsfieldunitedchurch.com for link

FAITH IN NATURE PROGRAMME:

EARTH WALK CHARTRES LABYRINTH
PROMENADE POUR LA TERRE

WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH
 COMMUNITY / PEACE / ECOLOGY
L'ÉGLISE UNIE WESTMOUNT PARK
 COMMUNAUTÉ / PAIX / ÉCOLOGIE

10 - 20 minute walking meditation
between 1:30-3:30pm every Sunday
 Free

4695 blvd de Maisonneuve West
www.westmountparkuc.org

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME
SO DO GOOD TAX RECEIPT PRACTICES!

Montreal City Mission invites you to an important online workshop with UCC Chief Financial Officer Erik Matheisen.
To register, email: info@montrealcitymission.org

JUNE 2ND
6:45PM - 8:00PM

CRA Charity Guidance and Rules
 What is allowable charitable activity?
 What is private benevolence?
 Tax receipting do's and don'ts
 Cyber risk?!

Montreal City Mission
 communautaire de Montréal

NEXT NEWSLETTER: MAY 18

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAY 13

Send information to jcoffin@united-church.ca



UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA NEWS AND EVENTS

A New Identity for UPRC

The United Property Resource Corporation (UPRC) has been rebranded to **Kindred Works**.

Learn more: <https://www.kindredworks.ca/>

General Council 44 (GC44)

GC44 continues with Learning Session 6: *Deepening Integrity* on **May 4** and Learning Session 7: *New Proposals and Consent Agenda* on **May 18**. You are also invited to Zoom events related to the call to embrace Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship, and Daring Justice. The latest General Council news is on the home page of the website: <https://generalcouncil44.ca/>

Latest newsletters from United Church of Canada:

- *E-ssentials* – May 3, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/es220503>
- *Embracing the Spirit* – April 27, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/embracing-the-spirit-1049076>
- *Philanthropy News* - April 21, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/gods-mission-our-gifts-1049012>



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Abonnez-vous à l'info-lettre de l'Église Unie du Canada : <https://bit.ly/EgliseUnie-infolettre-Subscribe>

LA TABLE DES MINISTÈRES EN FRANÇAIS

ehbert@egliseunie.ca

En partenariat au lieu d'être missionnaire

Si vous avez manqué la présentation de Fritz et Emmanuela la semaine passée, vous pouvez suivre en regardant l'enregistrement! Une excellente discussion sur la situation au Maroc, des questions de réfugiés, de racisme, d'accueil et de ministère interculturel et œcuménique. <https://youtu.be/4KhBr1REQfy>.

Table antiraciste de l'Église Unie du Canada

Il se peut qu'il y ait un poste à combler pour ce regroupement qui offre un accompagnement pour le travail d'antiracisme de l'Église Unie. Nous cherchons un francophone/francophile qui a la capacité de bien comprendre l'anglais, car le travail se fera surtout en anglais. Si vous, ou quelqu'un que vous connaissez s'intéresse, il faut le signaler rapidement. Envoyez une note à Éric Hébert-Daly au plus vite!

ehbert@egliseunie.ca

Aumôniers / Aumônières pour le Conseil général

Nous sommes à la recherche d'une personne francophone qui pourrait servir comme à titre d'aumônier ou d'aumônière pour la durée du Conseil général (une semaine en juin, une semaine en juillet). Si cela vous intéresse, veuillez communiquer avec Éric Hébert-Daly. C'est une façon de suivre les discussions et d'offrir un soutien ponctuel si cela est nécessaire. ehbert@egliseunie.ca

Infolettre de l'Église Unie du Canada – 29 avril 2022 : <https://mailchi.mp/egliseunie/infolettre-29-avril-2022>

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