

DEEP SPIRITUALITY - BOLD DISCIPLESHIP - DARING JUSTICE

TWO LAST MESSAGES FROM MODERATOR RICHARD BOTT

For Indigenous History Month: That the Truth Will Not Be Forgotten *(edited for length)*

Over this past year First Nation, Inuit, and Métis leaders have again shouldered the burden of revealing the hard truths of our shared history. For decades, Indigenous survivors of residential institutions have kept alive the memories of their childhood friends and relatives, the children who went missing and never returned home...

I pray the truth told by First Nation, Inuit, and Métis peoples about their experience of cultural genocide in residential institutions will never be forgotten. I pray the nation and the church will never cease supporting Indigenous peoples in honouring the memories of their lost loved ones and in bringing the children home in keeping with the wishes of their families and communities. I pray the nation and the church will never again forget the many other ways in which Indigenous peoples have been and continue to be harmed by Canada's colonial legacy. And I pray all peoples will work with energy, passion, and commitment to overcome colonialization, racism, and injustice that continues to this very day...

Read the complete message: <https://united-church.ca/news/moderators-message-truth-will-not-be-forgotten>



For Pentecost: "Remember, friends, you are the church"

In his Pentecost video message, his last message as Moderator, the Right Rev. Dr. Richard Bott reminds us that The United Church of Canada is part of the 2000-year community of Christ's disciples—a worldwide communion that is not bound by geography, space, or time. We are people who change the world—with deep spirituality, with bold discipleship, with daring justice.

Watch video: <https://united-church.ca/news/moderators-pentecost-message-2022>

Worship Resources and Special Days in June

- **Month of June:** Indigenous History Month
- **June 5:** Day of Pentecost; Pride Sunday; Union Sunday; Environment Sunday
- **June 10:** 97th Anniversary of Church Union
- **June 12:** Trinity Sunday
- **June 19:** 2nd after Pentecost; Indigenous Day of Prayer; Father's Day
- **June 20:** World Refugee Day
- **June 21:** National Indigenous Peoples Day
- **June 24:** Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day (QC)
- **June 26:** 3rd after Pentecost

REGIONAL COUNCIL NEWS

MINISTRY PERSONNEL



Baptism of Jacqueline Owers-Leduc

Several of the communities of faith belonging to the West Island and Riverside Cluster gathered together at Union Church in Ste. Anne-de-Bellevue on **May 29, 2022** to celebrate the baptism of Jacqueline Owers-Leduc, daughter of Jen Owers and Rev. Joelle Leduc, minister of Ste. Genevieve United Church. Jacqueline's older sister, Kaitlin, also helped oversee the celebration, and participated in a special edition of Children's Church at Home, all about baptism.

(Thanks to David-Roger Gagnon for sharing photos!)

REMINDER - 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 - Temporary Increase to Minimum Mileage Reimbursement Rate

Considering the recent spike in gasoline prices and the prediction that they may remain at these levels for some time, the Executive of the General Council meeting April 30, 2022, temporarily increased the minimum mileage reimbursement rate to \$0.46/km. This is 75% of the CRA 2022 "reasonable allowance rate ... for the first 5,000 kilometers driven". This is effective **May 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022**. The General Secretary was authorized to extend this temporary increase to December 31, 2022 if fuel prices remain high. ***This applies to ministry personnel in pastoral relationships, volunteers, elected and appointment positions with the General Council, and staff of the General Council Office.***

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

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

REGIONAL COUNCIL GATHERINGS



LAST CALL TO REGISTER

Spring 2022 Regional Council Meeting - June 4, 2022

For the first time in two years, we will gather in person (as well as on Zoom) hosted by Lakeshore Trinity United Church in Pointe-Claire. Presentations from the Beaconsfield Initiative in the Philippines and the Beaconsfield LGBTQ2+ Refugee Initiative will reflect the theme of *Daring Justice*. Nominations and covenanting with new Regional Council president, Marc Grenon, and the new and continuing members of the Executive will be celebrated after voting. A celebration of milestones for ministry personnel will include honouring the retirement of Rev. Shaun Fryday, Rev. Lee Ann Hogle and Rev. David Fines.

COVID safety protocols will include masking and physical distancing. Participants are invited to bring their own lunch and to download/print any documents in advance since Wi-Fi will not be available due to bandwidth limitations.

Agenda and documents may be downloaded from the event page of the web site.

Learn more: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/event/regional-council-gathering-june-2022/>

EXECUTIVE

REMINDER - Upcoming Executive Meetings: June 16, September 1 (Thursday, 9 am to 12 pm via Zoom)

LEARNING NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Licensed Lay Worship Leader (LLWL) Training Program

Would you like to deepen your understanding of the Bible and how it relates to life today? Are you looking to discuss issues of faith and spirituality with like-minded individuals? Have you ever had to fill in for the minister at a Sunday service and wished you were better prepared? The United Church of Canada offers an online course divided into 4 modules that prepares you to become a Licensed Lay Worship Leader (LLWL) in your region and the LLWL Leadership Team of the Nakonha:ka Regional Council will accompany you throughout your educational process. Is God calling you in this unexpected way? Online classes are usually offered in the evenings. The first of four modules begins this fall and registration begins in early September. Independently of online registration you must also let the LLWL Leadership team know that you will be signing up. If you have questions we would love to hear from you. Call Rev. Lee Ann at 819-571-7233. The entire program lasts two years.

For detailed information about the course materials and to put yourself on the waiting list: <https://www.united-in-learning.com/index.php/llwl-online-training-program>

REMINDER - Learning on Purpose (Centre for Christian Studies)

Learning on Purpose is a 2-week leadership development course and introduction to learning in community offered by the Centre for Christian Studies. It will be offered this year from **June 13 to 24, 2022** in London, ON at Metropolitan United Church. There is still time to register!

Learn more: info@ccsonline.ca or <http://ccsonline.ca/program/leadership-development/>

REMINDER - Christian Left Conference 2022 (Emmanuel College, Toronto) August 5-6, 2022

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

REMINDER - 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>

Temporary Pianist/Organist (Ste. Genevieve United Church)

Download job description: <https://bit.ly/2022-05-JobDescription-SGUC>

REMINDERS

Camp Counsellor for International Spy Academy VBS (Trinity United Church - Sheri Cameron)

Learn more: <https://wp.trinityuc.net/camp/>

College Administrator (Montreal Diocesan Theological College)

Learn more: <https://montrealdio.ca/were-hiring-college-administrator/>

Faith in Nature Animator (Westmount Park United Church)

Learn more: westmountparkuc@videotron.ca

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

LIRR newsletter – May 27, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/living-into-right-relations-1049364>

JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

PRESS RELEASE re Elections in Philippines

International Coalition
for Human Rights
in the Philippines



PHILIPPINE ELECTION 2022
**INTERNATIONAL
OBSERVER
MISSION**

IOM Commissioner and Belgian Parliamentarian Séverine De Laveleye said, “These elections are extremely important to both the international community and the Filipino people, but sadly the outcome suggests a continued drift towards repression, state impunity and state terror”.

“These Philippine National Elections 2022 were not free and fair. They were marred by a higher level of failure of the electronic voting system than ever before, along with rampant vote-buying, disturbing levels of state and military orchestrated red-tagging of candidates and parties including numerous incidents of deadly violence,” said Ms De Laveleye.

Learn more: https://ichrp.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/2022-05-18_IOM_InterimReport.pdf

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/>

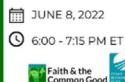
REMINDER

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>

ENVIRONMENT

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

Youth-Led Climate Action: An Interfaith Conversation

Join us on **June 8 at 6 pm** for *Youth-Led Climate Action: An Interfaith Conversation*. Young Canadians of diverse faith backgrounds are addressing climate change and taking action to protect the environment. Hear from speakers about how climate change is affecting their lives and how their faith is inspiring their efforts to find solutions. These youth leaders will share the challenges and opportunities they've experienced as they work to green their local communities.

Learn more: https://www.faithcommongood.org/youth_led_climate_action_an_interfaith_conversation

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

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

REMINDER - UCW 80th Summer Event - August 13-14, 2022 in Cornwall, Ontario

Download poster: <https://eoarc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/80th-SUMMER-EVENT-2022-Poster.pdf>

Learn more: <https://eoarc.ca/event/eoarc-ucw-celebrating-60-years-of-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/>

**PLYMOUTH-TRINITY UNITED CHURCH****Solidarity Concert for the Rodriguez-Flores Family (380 Dufferin, Sherbrooke)**

Save the date! Attend a concert at 3 pm on **Sunday, June 5** at Plymouth-Trinity United Church. Members of the Choeur des Sangs mêlés will honour the courage and persistence of the Rodriguez-Flores family; no reservations; first come, first seated; free will donation after the concert. See you there!

WEST ISLAND & RIVERSIDE CLUSTER

Download newsletter: <https://bit.ly/2022-05-WestIslandRiversideCluster-Newsletter>

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH**Take-out Strawberry Social (MacDougall Hall, 17 Lambton in Ormstown)**

St Paul's United Church will be holding a takeout only Strawberry Social on **Thursday June 30th** at MacDougall Hall, 17 Lambton in Ormstown, **from 5pm** until the strawberries are gone. The prices are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children (5-10). Quantities may be limited. Masks will be required to pick up. All welcome.

CHALMERS-WESLEY UNITED CHURCH**REMINDER - 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.

REMINDER - 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/>

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

SAT. / SAM., 18 JUIN
11h00 - 15h00
Adults: \$8 Kids: \$5
(Free for kids 5 years & under)

MENU	MENU
Cake	Gateau
Ice cream	Crème glacé
Strawberries	Fraises
Any combo possible!	
Tea, coffee, iced tea, juice	
Thé, café, thé glacé, jus	

Rain or Shine
Église Emmanuel Church
203, rue Principale, Cowansville, QC

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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 Mathelsen.
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
communauté de Montréal

FAITH IN NATURE PROGRAMME:

EARTH WALK CHARTRES LABYRINTH
PROMENADE POUR LA TERRE

COMMUNITY | PEACE | ECOLOGY
WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH
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

Mountainside United Church is looking for new homes for Hymn Books, Bibles, Choir Robes in various sizes, Wood and Silver Communion Sets, and 3D Plastic Letter Board Numbers and Letters.

Please contact us at admin@mountainsideunited.ca or 514-486-1165.

9H LE PREMIER DIMANCHE DE CHAQUE MOIS
**ÉGLISE DE LA NATURE
WILD CHURCH**
9 AM THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH
L'ÉGLISE UNIE WESTMOUNT PARK

NEXT NEWSLETTER: JUNE 15

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JUNE 10

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA NEWS AND EVENTS

GENERAL COUNCIL 44 (GC44) - <https://generalcouncil44.ca/>

Alvin Dixon Memorial Run

Put your athletic shoes on and get ready! Join United Church people across the country in a fun run/walk. Official kick-off is **June 17**, though events can take place any time through July 25, 2022!

Exploring Equity Video Series

The first few videos in the United Church's Exploring Equity series are now live!

UCRD Book Launch - *Building God's Beloved Community* - Thursday June 23, at 7:00 p.m.

On June 23, join the United Church Publishing House for the exciting launch of a brand-new book!



Building God's Beloved Community draws on the expertise of United Church theologians and ministers to outline the church's approach to some of the "big questions." It also offers insight into United Church worship and history, and will introduce you to a legacy of social justice as a lived expression of faith, drawing you closer to God as you move out into the world to love and serve.

[UCRDstore.ca](https://ucrdstore.ca) will offer all webinar attendees a discount code for the book—register now!

Learn more/register: <https://www.united-in-learning.com/index.php/webinars/449-building-god-s-beloved-community-book-launch>

LAST CALL - Daring Justice: Engaging in Courageous Conversations Across Divides - June 1, 2022 at 1 pm

Come listen to a panel of General Council 44 Global, Ecumenical and Interfaith Partners as they discuss urgent current and compelling issues for people of faith, such as increasing inequities, injustice and deepening polarizations.


Learn more: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/uqj-1049176>

LAST CALL - Video License Applications

Video license applications now open again. Applications due **June 8th** for licenses running from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Learn more: <http://buyingunited.net/video-licensing>

Wednesday, June 1 / June 29 / July 27
4:00-5:30pm ET on Zoom



**support
circles**



**for people of colour
in the United Church**

learn more and register here:
<https://bit.ly/3w18HYW>

Supported by staff at the General Council Office
For inquiries, contact Renita Network Coordinator
(rita@united-church.ca)



Latest newsletters from United Church of Canada:

- *United in Learning* – May 26, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/united-in-learning-1049352>
- *E-ssentials* – May 25, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/es220524>
- *Embracing the Spirit* – May 25, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/embracing-the-spirit-1049356>
- *Broadview newsletter* – May 20, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/bca8b4a867f7/community-land-trust>
- *Philanthropy News* – May 19, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/united-church/gods-mission-our-gifts-1049304>
- *United Church Rural Ministry Network* – May 30, 2022: <https://mailchi.mp/af15d7a2ff06/summer-newsletter-from-ucrmn-11795528>

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

Exercice des couvertures – le 9 septembre de 13h à 16h (heure de l'Est)

Cette activité prévue depuis plusieurs mois a finalement une date! Si vous ne connaissez pas l'exercice des couvertures, il s'agit d'un atelier (celui-ci en ligne), qui aide les gens à mieux comprendre l'expérience des peuples autochtones. Pour en savoir plus : <https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/francais/> Si vous êtes intéressés à y participer, veuillez envoyer une note à Ruth Sandeu pour lui indiquer votre intérêt : rsandeu@egliseunie.ca. Nous fournirons un moyen de s'inscrire pour les membres de vos paroisses bientôt.

Cantiques originaux

Lambert prépare une version chantée de la Confession de foi de l'Église Unie en anglais... et c'est vraiment beau. Plus de détails à venir. Et voici un des nouveaux cantiques de Chuck Kroeker :

<https://youtu.be/pgcFOOuEJkI>

Ressources du magasin de l'Église Unie du Canada

Il y a quelques ressources disponibles en français si cela vous intéresse...

<https://egliseunie.ca/ressources/ressources-imprimees/>

Infolettre de l'Église Unie du Canada – 13 mai 2022 : <https://mailchi.mp/egliseunie/infolettre-13-mai-2022>

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