

DEEP SPIRITUALITY - BOLD DISCIPLESHIP - DARING JUSTICE



Installation of New United Church Moderator

Hundreds tuned in and gathered on Sunday, August 7, 2022 to watch the Right Rev. Dr. Carmen Lansdowne installed as the 44th Moderator of The United Church of Canada. It was a unique and historic day filled with joy, song, and moving reflection. Moderator Lansdowne is the first Indigenous woman to lead The United Church of Canada.

Learn more:

https://united-church.ca/news/installation-44th-moderator-united-church
Watch on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k1kOHvWec40

[PHOTO: THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA]



Meet our new president: a conversation with Marc Grenon

A recent recording of a one-on-one conversation with our new regional council president, Marc Grenon, offers an opportunity to learn more about his background, where he sees both hope and challenge ahead, his vision on how we might move forward together as a regional council and how people can engage and share their ideas and suggestions.

[NOTE: The English and French versions of the conversation are similar but not identical, so please feel free to watch both!]



Watch video in English: https://bit.ly/2022-08-08-Conversation-MarcGrenon-E Watch video in French: https://bit.ly/2022-08-08-Conversation-MarcGrenon-F

Invitation to an open chat with Marc Grenon

If you would like to be part of a larger informal conversation with our new Regional Council president, please join us on Zoom on **September 13, 2022 at 7 pm**. Contact Judy at <u>icoffin@united-church.ca</u> if you would like to submit some of your questions or suggestions in advance, or to obtain the Zoom link. Hope to see you there!

REGIONAL COUNCIL NEWS

REGIONAL COUNCIL GATHERINGS



SAVE THE DATES - November 18-19, 2022 Fall 2022 Regional Council Meeting (ONLINE)

The next regional council meeting will be held **online** on Friday evening (Nov. 18) and Saturday morning (Nov. 19) and will focus on the theme of **Deep Spirituality**. If you have ideas or resources for exploring the concept of deep spirituality as a regional council, and would like to participate in the planning process, please contact the new chair of the planning team, Valerie Nickson (vepps_nickson@hotmail.com).

PASTORAL RELATIONS

Revised Workplace Discrimination, Harassment, and Violence Response Policy*

The revised Workplace Discrimination, Harassment, and Violence Response Policy is now available: https://united-church.ca/news/revised-workplace-discrimination-harassment-and-violence-response-policy

*NOTE: This policy applies to all communities of faith, regional council and General Council offices.

Condolences

The regional council extends its deepest sympathies to Rev. Dr. Elisabeth Jones, on the recent death of her mother in England, and to Rev. David Clinker, on the recent death of his father in Uxbridge, Ontario.

GRANTING AND ENABLING LEADERSHIP TEAM (GELT)

REMINDER - UPDATED GRANT APPLICATION FORM

The Granting and Enabling Leadership Team, at its last meeting, decided to slightly change the Standard Grant Application. In the section providing a brief description of the project, the instructions have been modified to ask for inclusion of the faith rationale. The updated version of the form is now available on the website: https://nakonhakaucc.ca/resources/granting-and-enabling/

EXECUTIVE

REMINDER - Upcoming Executive Meetings: September 1, October 20 (9 am to 12 pm - Zoom)

REGIONAL COUNCIL NETWORKS AND LEADERSHIP TEAMS

LIVING INTO RIGHT RELATIONS

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GC44 - Proposals Advancing Autonomous Indigenous Church Approved

The United Church of Canada has approved two proposals that advance the journey toward an autonomous Indigenous Church within The United Church of Canada.

Learn more: https://united-church.ca/news/united-church-takes-two-important-steps-toward-right-relations

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The Second Annual Orange Shirt Day Giveaway!

Enter for a chance to win an *Every Child Matters* flag: https://united-church.ca/news/second-annual-orange-shirt-day-giveaway

REMINDER - Invitation to Leadership Teams

On the theme of Daring Justice, the Living into Right Relations Leadership Circle strongly encourages all members of leadership teams and the wider regional council to participate in upcoming learning sessions on right relations and reconciliation, including the blanket exercise and decolonizing settler mentality.

Living into Right Relations news – July 27, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/united-church/living-into-right-relations-1049928

PRIDE & FRIENDS













Pride Community Day

Here are some photos from the Pride Community Day on **August 5**, **2022**. It was a great time and witness to many folks who walked by - many of whom took away a colourful pinwheel as a souvenir (and sign of the Spirit). Special thanks to Trinity Anjou United church for the pinwheels, and to Adedeji Akintayo and the Beaconsfield United Church Refugee Integration and Support Program for their presence and support.

Additional note from Rev. Read Sherman: David-Roger and Charles Dougherty were fantastic organizers. So grateful for David-Roger and his amazing support.

[PHOTOS: DAVID-ROGER GAGNON AND REV. READ SHERMAN]

REMINDER - Processus S'Affirmer ensemble

We are pleased to announce that a team of 5 people have volunteered for the Committee that will over-see the Affirm United Process for the Conseil régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council. If you are interested in joining this group, please be in touch with Charles Dougherty at: charlesanddougherty@gmail.com or David-Roger Gagnon at: DRGagnon@united-church.ca

ENVIRONMENT

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

GC44 - Bold New Emissions Reduction Target

The United Church of Canada has committed the whole church to the aspirational goal of an 80% decrease in carbon emissions by 2030. This bold new target was set at General Council 44, during Decision sessions. Learn more: https://united-church.ca/news/united-church-canada-adopts-bold-new-emissions-reduction-target

Faithful Footprints

Every month, the Faithful Footprints program approves several applications and welcomes new United Churches and affiliated properties into the program, as a number of congregations complete their projects and receive their final energy reduction results. Welcome to **Huntingdon United Church**, along with other communities of faith across the country! *Learn more: https://www.faithfulfootprints.org/*

REMINDER - Green Churches Network

The Summer 2022 newsletter offers a downloadable resource kit for the Season of Creation (September 1-October 4) as well as information about the Energy Efficiency in Church Project, the Laudatio Si' Action Platform and Religious Heritage Days in partnership with the Quebec Religious Heritage Council.

Learn more: https://mailchi.mp/f8bd5f811f9b/green-churches-newsletter-6098123

REMINDER - Faith and the Common Good

The July 2022 newsletter include a link to the 2021 Annual Report, highlights of Q2 2022 (Youth-Led Climate Action: An Interfaith Conversation; Greening Sacred Spaces — Ottawa; Indigenous Month; and programs available via FCG website), as well as opportunities to engage in upcoming activities, such as:

October 2-9 Faiths 4 Climate Justice: A Global Multi-Religious Week of Action (in collaboration with the GreenFaith International Network) This event happens less than a month before leaders of the world's largest 20 economies gather at the G20 summit in Indonesia and representatives of every country on the planet gather in Egypt for the UNs COP27 conference. More information will be released soon. Please contact network@faithcommongood.org to be kept informed.
 #Faiths4ClimateJustice

Learn more: https://www.faithcommongood.org/ed newsletter july 2022

FIRST THIRD MINISTRIES

https://nakonhakaucc.ca/programs/youth-young-adult/



Revised Facebook Page

The Facebook page for Children's Church at Home will soon be undergoing a transformation. Instead of being a page devoted just to Children's Church at Home, it will be the spot for all aspects of First Third Ministry in Conseil régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council!

Learn more: https://www.facebook.com/firstthirdnakonhaka/

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

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

REMINDER - Keeping in Touch Newsletter: June 2022Download newsletter: https://nakonhakaucc.ca/programs/ucw/

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

 $\textbf{\textit{Download poster:}} \ \underline{\textit{https://eoorc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/80th-SUMMER-EVENT-2022-Poster.pdf}}$

Learn more: https://eoorc.ca/event/eoorc-ucw-celebrating-60-years-of-ucw/

WEST ISLAND AND RIVERSIDE CLUSTER



Beautiful Diversity

On Sunday, July 31, Members of Beaconsfield UC, and specifically the Beaconsfield United Church Refugee Integration Support Programme (BUCRISP), took part in the Summer Combined Worship for the West Island & Riverside Cluster, held at Roxboro that week. They took time at the end of worship to explain the different types of traditional dress from different parts of Nigeria. Our church is so fortunate to benefit from such beautiful diversity, as is Québec society!

[PHOTO: DAVID-ROGER GAGNON]

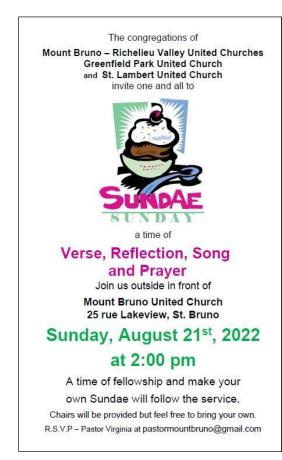
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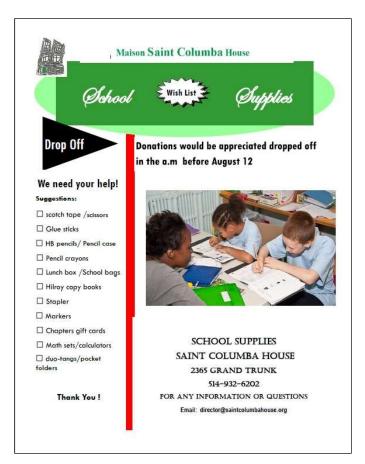
MONTREAL CITY MISSION

Camp Cosmos in the News (article by Monique Polak, Montreal Gazette)

Eight-year-old Konstantin Klieshchov is one of 26 Ukrainian children spending this summer at Camp Cosmos, a day camp affiliated with Montreal City Mission, a community organization that supports newly arrived immigrants and refugees. The camp, which has operated out of various locations, is celebrating its 50th anniversary. This summer, it is based at Westmount Park United Church. Its campers come from many countries, including Iran, Syria, Mali and India...

Read more: https://montrealgazette.com/news/local-news/ukrainian-kids-are-welcomed-to-montreal-day-camp





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 are on our website. https://chalmerswesley.org/

EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

https://united-church.ca/opportunities

Music Director

Ste. Geneviève United Church requires a permanent Music Director. If interested in applying for the position, please contact either the Minister, Rev. Joëlle Leduc or the Secretary/Administrator of the church, Donna Olinik, 4697 Boul. St-Jean, Dollard-des-Ormeaux, QC, H9H 2A7 at 514-626-4795, or email squc@stegennys.org.

Job Description: this is a permanent position requiring 6 hours of work per week including 2 hours devoted to the regular 10:30 Sunday morning church service each week, practice time with the choir, and regular communication with Rev. Leduc concerning the music program, particularly ways to expand the size of the choir. The candidates for the position will be expected to be able to play both the piano and the organ and to lead the choir during church services.

Credentials: When applying please include your full name, mailing address, phone numbers, email address at which you may be reached, music related education, and background, years of experience playing the piano and organ, years of experience directing choirs, and 2 recommendations who will attest to your musical talents and abilities at playing the piano/organ and choir directing.

Youth Anti Racism Study Group

Hey! Are you an Indigenous or Racialized young person? Interested in having conversations with others about anti-racism and how the United Church of Canada can better support this work?

If so, please join others like yourself for a weekend of community building, connection and retreat at the Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre from **September 30th-October 2nd. 2022.**

Learn more: https://united-church.ca/opportunities/youth-anti-racism-study-group

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/

LEARNING NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

REMINDER - Licensed Lay Worship Leader (LLWL) Training Program

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 - UNITED IN LEARNING

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

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA NEWS AND EVENTS

Highlights of GC44 Decisions

For highlights of important decisions reached by GC44 commissioners, please take the time to review the relevant news articles on the GC44 website: https://generalcouncil44.cg/news

Pastoral Relationships Equity Research Project

Racism, ableism, heterosexism, sexism, cissexism, and other forms of oppression continue to exist in The United Church of Canada. These systemic inequities are experienced by many across the church, including ministry personnel. The Pastoral Relationship Equity Research Project is a qualitative research project that seeks to identify patterns of inequity experienced by ministry personnel across all regions of The United Church of Canada, and to make recommendations for change. "Equity-seeking" ministry personnel are invited to respond to this online survey. Responses will remain confidential. Survey results will help to determine patterns and trends experienced by ministry personnel across the United Church.

Learn more: https://uccequity22.wixsite.com/equity22



UCRD: *Undivided Love: Navigating Landscapes of Living Faith*A new book has arrived on the United Church Bookstore shelves! *Undivided Love: Navigating Landscapes of Living Faith* by author, Janet Gear offers readers a sympathetic way to interpret the belief-inspired actions of those around them without assuming homogeneous understandings of God, the church, and our place in the world. Gear guides leaders in the artistry of handling shadows and strengths coexisting across five streams of lived faith: evangelical, ecclesial, missional, ecumenical, and spiritual. Janet Gear is

theological educator and ordained minister in The United Church of Canada.

Learn more: https://ucrdstore.ca/products/undivided-love-navigating-landscapes-of-living-faith
Watch video: https://leadershiftuccan.org/the-theological-banquet

Recent newsletters from United Church of Canada:

- Broadview newsletter August 12, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/ddbacf3b1cd3/carmen-lansdowne-elected-moderator
- Embracing the Spirit August 3, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/united-church/embracing-the-spirit-1049972
- E-ssentials August 9, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/united-church/es220809-1050008
- Philanthropy News July 21, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/united-church/gods-mission-our-gifts-1049848
- UCC Foundation News August 15, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/united-church/aug-foundation-newsletter
- United Church Rural Ministry Network May 30, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/e94b189f671d/summer-newsletter-from-ucrmn-11600409
- United in Learning August 15, 2022: https://mailchi.mp/united-church/united-in-learning-1050040



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LA TABLE DES MINISTÈRES EN FRANÇAIS

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Camp familial de Camino

Le camp a été un vif succès, mais malheureusement à la toute fin, un cas de COVID a empêché le camp de faire ces trois derniers jours. Nous souhaitons un bon repos à l'équipe qui a travaillé si fort à l'animation du camp et d'avoir fait son retour après trois ans.

Traduction

Nous perdons un de nos traducteurs (il prend sa retraite ce mois-ci). Si vous connaissez des traducteurs qui seraient ouverts à l'idée de travailler avec notre équipe sous la gouverne d'Etienne Marcoux, veuillez transmettre leurs noms à Etienne : emarcoux@egliseunie.ca

MISE À JOUR SUR LES PROPOSITIONS DU 44^E CONSEIL GÉNÉRAL

Voici l'état des propositions au Conseil général de la Table des ministères en français : (Pour voir toutes les propositions : https://egliseunie.ca/documents-de-travail-cg44/)

- Nka:01, proposition pour faire des états généraux sur l'éducation théologique Le Conseil général a décidé de rejeter cette proposition, mais le secrétaire général a fait la remarque que cela fasse partie du travail de planification stratégique dans l'objectif sur le leadership d'une manière ou d'un autre.
- Nka:02, proposition sur la capacité des communautés de foi qui ne sont pas une paroisse de créer des membres de l'Église Unie
 La proposition avait la recommandation du groupe de facilitation, mais la majorité ne se sentait pas

assez informée de cette question et elle a été renvoyée au groupe de facilitation, mais nous n'avons pas eu la chance de la revoir. Elle sera transmise à l'exécutif pour sa considération.

- Nka:03, proposition sur la reconnaissance de la Table des ministères en français La proposition a été remise entre les mains du secrétaire général pour y trouver une solution.
- NEW03, proposition sur l'appui à l'immigration et des visas pour les pasteurs en admission
 La proposition a été adoptée.

RAPPEL

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@eqliseunie.ca. Nous fournirons un moyen de s'inscrire pour les membres de vos paroisses bientôt.

Infolettre de l'Église Unie du Canada – 27 juillet 2022 : https://mailchi.mp/egliseunie/infolettre-27-juillet-2022

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS



National Acadian Day

The Acadian people, pioneers and builders of the country, have celebrated Acadian Day on **August 15** since 1881, the year in which the first national Acadian convention was held in Memramcook, New Brunswick. The *National Acadian Day Act* was passed by the Government of Canada in 2003.

National Acadian Day highlights the contribution of Acadians to the Canadian cultural fabric, recognizes their historical presence on the land, and celebrates their cultural specificity in all its diversity:

Learn more: https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/celebrate-canada/acadian-day.html

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