



First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council
Weekly Announcements
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Weekly Prayer – Rev. Dr. Simon Muwowo- Burin-Epworth Pastoral Charge

Dear God, you seem so far away, a million miles or more It feels. Although we haven't lost our faith, we must confess that sometimes it's hard for us to pray in a world filled with disease, war, poverty, pride, greed, injustice, hatred and inequality. Sometimes in our prayers we don't know what to say and we don't know where to start but as you give the grace with all that's in our hearts we say to you- please God give us strength when we are weak, love when we feel forsaken, courage when afraid, wisdom when we feel foolish, comfort when we feel alone, hope when we feel rejected, healing when sick and peace when in turmoil. Lord hear our prayer through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Covenanting Service

The covenanting service for the Rev. Limon Daka of the Wesleyville -Valleyfield Pastoral Charge and First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council will take place at Jubilee United Church, Wesleyville, Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

The covenanting service between St. James United Church, Rev. James Ravenscroft and First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council will take place at St. James United Church on Tuesday November 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Falling Learning Event

As advertised the Fall Learning event will take a lunch and learn approach through a series of presentations via Zoom. The event is open to all members of Pastoral Charges in our Regional Council at no cost at all. Kind add these details in the bulletin announcements.

Schedule

November 4, 2021

Workplace Discrimination, Harassment and Violence Prevention/Response Policy

Presenter: Rev. Faith March-MacCuish

November 18, 2021

The Forest Church

Presenter: Susan Sheppard

November 25, 2021

New study Immersion

Presenter: Rev. Dr. Richard Bott (The United Church of Canada Moderator)

Webinars for Church Treasurers (formally Congregational Finances During the Pandemic)

October 27, 2021, 7:00 p.m. ET/4:00 p.m. PT

These programs have proven so popular that we've invited Eric and Clyde back monthly this fall, to keep us up to date on the latest news and advice for treasurers. Each session will provide information that's current as of the day of delivery; since the government programs continue to change as we move through the pandemic, be sure you stay up to date on the things that could make a difference to your church and ministry. To learn more visit: [Church Treasurers](#)

Vacancy

La Scie Pastoral Charge (Zion United Church – La Scie & First United Church - Shoe Cove) is seeking a full-time, 40 hrs a week, Ordained, Diaconal or Recognized Designated Lay Minister. We are a two-point Community of Faith covering the two communities of La Scie and Shoe Cove with approximately 130 families under pastoral care. Duties to commence on December 01, 2021, or on a mutually agreed upon date. For further information or to apply, please go to ChurchHub or contact Randy Critch at rtcritch@eastlink.ca

COVID-19 Update

For the most current information regarding COVID-19, please visit: <https://ucceast.ca/first-dawn-eastern-edge-regional-council-16/fdee-emergency-response-covid-19/>

You Are Invited

Join your colleagues/friends/neighbours in the three Atlantic Regions in an on-line book study through 4 weeks in November. We'll read together Canadian Senator (Retired) Hugh Segal's recent book: Bootstraps Need Boots; One Tory's Lonely Fight to End Poverty in Canada (UBC Press, Vancouver, 2019).

The four Zoom sessions are to be held on Wednesdays, November 3, 10, 17 and 24th at 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Atlantic Time; 7:30 to 9 NL time. Each session will be 1 ½ hours duration. Meetings will be hosted by Marion Pardy (NL), Karen & Hal Llewellyn (NS) and Rose-Hannah Gaskin (NB).

We ask those who register to make a commitment to read through the book and to participate as fully as possible in the sessions. The plan is to go through 5 chapters each evening of the 3rd, 10th, and 17th. We have Senator Hugh Segal himself confirmed for November 24th discussion and final session.

The registration form can be accessed [here](#). Registration deadline is October 31.

There is no charge for the course. We invite participants to consider making a free-will offering to the Mission and Service Fund of The United Church of Canada.

The books can be purchased through the United Church Resource Centre, St. John's, NL at a subsidized cost of \$25 (plus shipping, if necessary). United Church Resource Centre, 320 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9, 1-800-268-3781, extension 6141, Leona Laundry, l laundry@united-church.ca.

Kairos 20th Anniversary Worship Service

You are cordially invited to join the KAIROS steering committee at an anniversary service. Join us in giving thanks to God for all the gifts of the past twenty years, bringing our petitions for justice to the Almighty, and grounding our dreams for the future in the hope loves gives us. For more information, please visit: <https://www.kairoscanada.org/kairos20/gathering>

Atlantic School of Theology

ReVITALIZE 2022 – Open for (early bird) Registration October 1st 2021. ReVITALize is an awesome gathering for ministry leaders and lay people to get together, refresh, learn some new things, be supported, and get inspired. Previously held in London and Edmonton, now it's Halifax's turn. People from all denominations and traditions are warmly welcome to attend. Registration is open!

Location: St. Andrew's United Church and other locations in downtown Halifax

Date: June 2-4, 2022

Early bird rate, before March 1st, 2022: \$200 After March 1st, 2022: \$225

More information contact: Jane Bolivar, Continuing Education Convener [jbolivar@astheology.ns.ca]

Hotel room discount information will be available soon

To register: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/revitalize-halifax-2022-tickets-181032742807>

Kairos Canada

You are invited to the national online Kairos Gathering: 20 years of spirited justice, October 26-28, 2021. We are excited to announce a fabulous line up of speakers who span two decades of work and every sector of the KAIROS movement.

For more information and to register, visit: <https://www.kairoscanada.org/kairos20/gathering>

Centre for Christian Studies

The next CCS Friday on **November 5 at noon** (Winnipeg time), will be an **online discussion of Ray McGinnis' recent book, Unanswered Question about 9/11** (with a study guide for churches). Join in as Ray, guest, author, and CCS grad, shares what he learned about the families of those killed in the terrorist attack on the World Trade Centre on Sept. 11, 2001, and their attempts to get answers from their government.

CCS Fridays are Online conversations once a month to help us all to respond faithfully to emerging issues in local contexts. These workshops are open to anyone who might be interested. Each session will be on a Friday from 12:00 to 1:00 CT in the form of a Zoom workshop. There will be a presentation that will be recorded for future viewing, plus opportunities to engage with the ideas in small groups.

These sessions are free, but you must

register: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0scOyvqzMtHdDn9rFw92whQ4Z2NgonzKg2>

The last CCS Friday of the year will be on December 10 with Natalie Wiggs-Stevenson discussing her book Transgressive Devotion: Theology as Performance Art and theological methodologies.

The Manual Committee

The Manual Committee is seeking a minister or someone who can bring a theological perspective to the work of The Manual Committee for the duration of this term. Deadline to express interest is October 28, 2021. For more information please visit: <https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/servegc>

Artifact Workshop

Wondering about artifacts of the United Church? Here is a workshop to answer key questions about artifacts for communities of Faith. October 28, 2021 from 2-4pm. This workshop will be done through zoom. To register, email Julielynn Anderson at jmandrs@mta.ca by October 26, 2021. Zoom instructions will be sent prior to the workshop.

Engage Love and Justice

**We write to invite the First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council, Regional Council 15, Fundy St.
Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council to participate
in an online gathering November 3-7, 2021
to celebrate the
Love and Justice Ministries of The United Church of Canada**

The United Church of Canada's Church in Mission Unit is planning an online gathering to lift-up opportunities for United Church people and communities to **ENGAGE!** in the many and diverse ministries of love and justice of the church. It's essential that the event foreground the life, work, witness and discipleship of United Church of Canada global partners.

The **ENGAGE! Love and Justice** gathering will move through 5 daily themes, with worship, keynote speakers, workshops, and interactive booths. The event will use the *Whova* online event platform accessible by desktop, laptop, or mobile device. The daily themes are:

Engage deep spirituality,
Engage daring justice,
Engage courageous community,
Engage bold discipleship
Engage hope

To participate:

1. Register and receive information:

Register at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-united-church-of-canada/events/engage-love-and-justice-ministries-of-the-united-church-of-canada/>

Application for the Promise Bursary

The applications for the **Promise Bursary** are open until December 1st, 2021. The **Promise Bursary** is awarded to a person whose Faith Community has recognized in them significant promise for leadership within The United Church of Canada in the future. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Munro bmunro@astheology.ns.ca