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# What's Online?

## Information on the Web

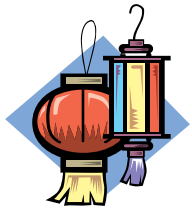
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### Black History Month (February)

[www.united-church.ca/planning/seasons/blackhistory](http://www.united-church.ca/planning/seasons/blackhistory)

February is Black History Month! The United Church of Canada is intentional about honouring this month and the many contributions of African Canadians to church and society. Several resources are available online for congregational use, including worship resources, bulletin inserts, videos, a study group and links of interest.



### Asian Heritage Month (May)

[www.united-church.ca/planning/seasons/asian](http://www.united-church.ca/planning/seasons/asian)

Celebrate Asian Heritage Month in May, with resources for worship and reflection. The Christian Conference of Asia produces an annual worship resource for Asia Sunday ([www.cca.org.hk/resource/liturgies/liturgy.htm](http://www.cca.org.hk/resource/liturgies/liturgy.htm)). This year's theme is "Make Us Reconcilers, O God."



### Global Partners

[www.united-church.ca/partners/global](http://www.united-church.ca/partners/global)

Watch the United Church website for new pages dedicated to info, photos, and links that feature the exciting and transforming work global partners are doing all over the world. Learn more about what's happening and the connections United Church people are making.



### Learning-in-Community Grants

[www.united-church.ca/adultlearning/coned/learningcommunities](http://www.united-church.ca/adultlearning/coned/learningcommunities)

### Local Initiative Grants

[www.united-church.ca/adultlearning/coned/localinitiative](http://www.united-church.ca/adultlearning/coned/localinitiative)

Continuing education grants are disbursed three times a year to congregations and organizations that create opportunities for group learning for church leaders (clergy or lay). We're always looking for innovative proposals to gather church from more than one congregation to learn together about ministry leadership or skills for the 21st century. Preference is given to projects that encourage people to learn together over time. Application deadlines: February 15, May 15, October 15.



## Looking for a Church Musician?

[www.findachurchmusician.com](http://www.findachurchmusician.com)

This new website gives solid information grounded in practical United Church of Canada experience and knowledge. It suggests a process for finding a church musician and for helping to integrate him or her into the congregation. There is also useful material for worship elders, musicians, and M&P committees.



## Nos voix unies sur iTunes !

Visiter le "store" iTunes et chercher "Nos voix unies"

Maintenant disponible sur iTunes, musique d'accompagnement pour plus de 20 cantiques de *Nos voix unies* (certaines musiques peuvent accompagner plusieurs chants). Parfait pour des célébrations, retraites, groupes d'étude ou de partage où il n'y a pas de musicien. C'est aussi un bon outil pour apprendre les mélodies.



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THROUGH THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF  
THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

## Spread the Word: Nominations Are Open

[www.united-church.ca/getinvolved/servegc](http://www.united-church.ca/getinvolved/servegc)

Is the Spirit calling you to serve the church? This year brings many wonderful opportunities for all United Church members to lead and serve through appointment to one of the committees of the General Council. If you are curious and interested, visit the website to review the many openings available. The Spirit may move you to submit your interest or nominate someone you know. Nominations close **February 21, 2012**.



## Making Women's Groups Visible!

The United Church's informal Women's Ministries Network includes all women's groups (including, but not limited to, the UCW), but many of these groups are unidentified and unknown outside of their congregation. To continue the 2011 Centenary Celebration of International Women's Day, we are inviting you to make your group visible by completing a brief online survey. Your responses will help us build and grow Women's Ministries Network in the United Church. Once you have completed the survey, you will periodically receive e-mail communications related to the Women's Ministries Network. Go to [www.surveymonkey.com/s/LN5KCRT](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LN5KCRT) to complete your group's profile.



## The United Church Is Social!

The church continues to look for new ways we can communicate and connect with one another. One way is through social media. You can now follow or "like" the United Church on various sites, including:

**Facebook.com/UnitedChurchCda**

**Twitter.com/UnitedChurchCda**

**YouTube.com/UnitedChurchofCanada**