

MINISTRY & MISSION PROFILE

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Local Ministry Unit – Telling Our Story: Ministry and Mission Profile (LC MM)

Name of Local Ministry Unit : Egmondville United Church

Address of Local Ministry Unit: 26 Kippen Road Egmondville, ON, N0K 1G0

Brief Description of Local Ministry (three sentences): We seek a minister with imagination to help us balance tradition and contemporary thought during Sunday morning Worship. We are looking for a Minister who is gifted in ways of compassion with skills in listening, sharing and pastoral care. We prefer our Minister live in beautiful Rural Huron County and be involved in our community. We are open to a Minister from the three streams of ministry of the UCC: Ordained, Diaconal and Designated Lay Ministry.

Position Title: Minister

Position Profile: X Full- time
 X Solo

Priority (#1 to #7)	Category Title	This is who we are as a Local Ministry Unit:
#1	Worship	<p>Our Sunday morning Worship hinges on effective, interesting, life giving preaching, that motivates, informs and encourages.</p> <p>We are a progressive congregation and we use technology in worship including projection of hymns, responsive readings, pictures and video illustrations. We encourage our minister to use video picture/technology for sermon illustration</p> <p>We appreciate singing old favourite hymns, but also enjoy learning new songs from "More Voices" with the help and direction of our choir and organist</p> <p>We like to laugh in worship and clap in appreciation.</p> <p>We enjoy a relaxed , comfortable atmosphere</p> <p>We have participated in "Messy Church"</p> <p>We have an active Choir and music is a key part of worship here</p> <p>We appreciate Uplifting worship</p> <p>We have 2 licensed lay worship leaders as part of our faith community</p>

<p>#2</p>	<p>Leadership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We value a Minister who encourages and leads us in using our individual spiritual gifts • We value a Minister who leads by example by working with us and being involved in our worship, fundraising and community involvement activities • We value a Minister who will lead us in reconnecting with the greater church and helps foster our ties with the General Council, Conference and the New governing structure of the United Church of Canada • Effective leadership demonstrated • We look to our Minister and our Church Council for leadership. The focus of this leadership is to influence those involved in our community of faith to work together to accomplish our Purpose • Our music is collaborated with the organist, choir and ministerial team • Special Ministries - visitation to those in need • Chairs of the 7 committees ensure the responsibilities are fulfilled • We are a single point charge • We have a private office for the pastor - main office in basement
<p>#3</p>	<p>Pastoral Care</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are a closely knit yet open community who support each other • Pastoral Visiting is appreciated regularly in Long Term Care facilities, hospitals and individual homes • Our Minister is encouraged to reach out into the community by presiding at funerals and weddings • We live in a small community, thus pastoral care is often requested at the post office, grocery store, arena etc. • We have a greeting card ministry carried out by a couple in our church congregation, casual visiting and telephone calls to keep in contact with shut-ins • We also participate in a rotation of area Nursing Home Worship Services • We have a Care Team who supports the Minister

#4	Justice and Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray for justice and outreach and offer our monetary support and are engaged with many groups Locally, Nationally and Globally • We are currently (past 3 years) working with three other community churches in continuing to support a Syrian refugee family of 5. The bulk of our commitment is over, but we have pledged to assist in bringing other family members to Canada when the application forms are approved. This has been a very heartwarming and challenging project. • We hold fundraising lunches and take up special collections when disaster strikes. We encourage our congregation to donate through the United Church to disasters as they arise. • Canadian Foodgrains Bank receives both individual and collective support from us • We occasionally read the Moments for Missions in Sunday Worship • We sponsor United Church camp Menesetung, we send children to camp each summer • We support Gifts with Vision and the Christmas Bureau • We provide worship services at three of the local Long Term Care facilities on a monthly basis • We support local food bank with donations and volunteering • We provide space for meetings such as AA and other meetings as needed • We provide service to our community through our "Turkey Dinner" at the local Community Centre, Plant Sale at our Church and Our Christmas Bazaar in November of each year
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#5	Discipleship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We value the purpose of Sunday School, but are struggling to maintain and increase attendance in our Sunday School program and Youth activation • We teach the young through children stories during our church service • We appreciate Bible study and occasional adult learning activities. • We welcome community groups (eg. AA) to use our space for meetings and gatherings • We hold coffee hour weekly after church service • We value faithfully living in today's world
#6	Stewardship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have adequate financial resources managed by our finance committee and our finances are reviewed at each meeting of church council • We are able to meet our budgetary requirements through regular Sunday givings , fundraising events and occasional legacy gifts • We have a talented, skilled membership who often need to be encouraged to use their gifts - we have organizers, developers, carpenters, electricians, engineers, musicians, teachers, accountants, farmers, physicians, lawyers, nurses etc. there is always opportunity to look for ways we can use their talents/ skills
#7	Ministry Partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We participate in Annual Community World Day of Prayer service and World Communion Sunday • We have combined Confirmation and Bible School with other congregations and are involved with Clinton Ministerial • We participate with local Ministry at local Long Term Care facilities

