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## MRUC UP AND COMING

**Reminder:** Annual General Meeting is Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 shortly after Worship

**Save the Date:** Spring Rummage Sale - Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup>

10am to 1pm and accepting donations now

**Pictures Please:** We would like to update our phonebook and we are asking for you to send your picture to Alisha (manorroad@rogers.com). You can also speak to Rev.

Roberta who can take a picture of you to send it to the Administrator on your behalf.



## BLUE RADISH - COUNTRY CHIC PICNIC SUCCESS

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to attend the fun festivities.

With special thanks to: Marianne Eschker, May Chong, Manuel Ferriera for decorating; Tom and Allison



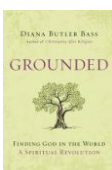
Marcaccini for their dedication to our choirs; Agnes Fodor, Ann Piper and Susan Johnson for dinner; all of our volunteers who made this evening possible; our talented performers and MC, Rev. Roberta.

We are happy to announce our proceeds total: \$1668.



## FESTIVAL OF LILIES

You will find Easter Flower Donation envelopes on the offering table. This year we are asking for donations toward the flowers that will decorate the sanctuary. Your donation can be made in memory of a loved one or to support the decorating fund. We ask you to please indicate on your envelope whether you are making the donation in memory, whose memory you would like and if you will be taking a plant home with you on Easter Sunday. If you do not wish to take a plant home it will be planted in the gardens in the fall along with any other plants left over after Easter Sunday.



## EARLY BIRD SPECIAL, BOOK EDITION: ON APRIL 28TH, AT 9:30

Early Bird Special, Book Edition: On April 28th, at 9:30, join us in the minister's office for a special reflection on Diana Butler Bass' *Grounded: Finding God in the World- a Spiritual Revolution*. We will be discussing our thoughts on this beautiful work, and how we can find our spiritual roots within nature. All are welcome.

## PASTORAL CARE AND EASTER MESSAGES

- Thinking of everyone and wishing each of you a happy Easter, from Mary Murray.
- Isabelle Brown fell on the weekend and is in the hospital with an injured hip and leg. We send her all our best and ask everyone to keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Easter Plant Delivery: at the back of the Sanctuary there is a sign-up board for the delivery of flowers to our home bound members.



## A NOTE FROM THE MINISTER

As we approach the end of my time at MRUC, many have asked if I knew where I was headed next. I am thrilled to report I can finally say "yes". Starting on May 7th, I will be working at Rosedale United as their Interim Minister of Community and Youth Engagement, until the end of 2019. Thank you all for your well-wishes, support and I wish you and MRUC all the best with John Joseph. Our time together is not yet done! I am looking forward to seeing you between now and the end of April. Until then, may God bless you and keep you. Sincerely, Roberta

April 12<sup>th</sup> - April 19<sup>th</sup> 2019



# Children's Ministry

## Welcome to All Children and Families as Prepare for Easter!

**Children's Worship on Sunday mornings:** Fina Aldaba will be in the nursery for those 3 and under, Allison Marcaccini in the upper room with those from 3-10 years old. We are still searching for a Youth Ministry Coordinator. If you are interested please send your resume and/or visit our website for more details.

### Little Rainbow Fish Drop In

We will be going strong on Wednesdays from 9:30 - 11:30am with the beautiful Spring weather. We welcomed our new LRF Coordinator, Nina, who started last week after the March Break. We hope you can join us and even help out. If you would like to volunteer you can email [littlebfish@gmail.com](mailto:littlebfish@gmail.com).

### Messy Church

Our next event will be held May 31<sup>st</sup>. More news to come next month.

### Children's Choir

Thanks to all of the kids who sang for Blue Radish! There were lots of great country tunes performed on Saturday but you were definitely the highlight of my night. Coming up this Sunday the children's choir will be singing with the adults during the Palm Sunday service and all by themselves on Easter Sunday.

On Good Friday at 10:30 am there will be a special service for the kids in the upper room. The kids can come right upstairs and can be picked up afterwards as we will be leaving the church quietly.

There will be a special Kids AGM, complete with lunch provided right after the service on April 28th. We want to know what you like about MRUC, what didn't work for you this year and what you'd like to do next year. Let's share our dreams and visions for our church and make them a reality!



Peace to you all as we prepare for the miracle of Easter.

## This week. . .

**Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Palm Sunday**

**Worship at 10:30am**

**Patient Focused Health Policy Town Hall from 3:30-5:30 in the Sanctuary**

**Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> -**

**Little Rainbow Fish Drop-In from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Executive Council Meeting at 7pm in meeting room**

**Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Good Friday**

**Worship at 10:30am**

## And Beyond. . . .

**Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 - Easter Sunday**

**Worship at 10:30am**

**Rev. Roberta's Well Wishes Celebration to follow after**

**Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> -**

**Little Rainbow Fish Drop-In from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Sunday, April 28<sup>st</sup> -**

**Worship at 10:30am**

**Annual General Meeting at 12pm**

**Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> -**

**Little Rainbow Fish Drop-In from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> -**

**Worship at 10:30am**

**Rev. Dr. John Joseph 1<sup>st</sup> Worship with MRUC**

**Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> -**

**Little Rainbow Fish Drop-In from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> -**

**Worship at 10:30am**

**Mother's Day**

**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> -**

**Little Rainbow Fish Drop-In from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Executive Council Meeting at 5:30pm, location TBC**

**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> -**

**Worship at 10:30am**

**Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> -**

**Little Rainbow Fish Drop-In from 9:30am to 11:30am**

**Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> -**

**Spring Rummage Sale from 10am to 1pm**



### MUSIC AT MANOR ROAD UNITED CHURCH

Manor Road Choir is actively recruiting new members and we would love to hear from you! Please speak to Tom (at the piano) or any member of our choir for further information regarding practice and performance times. Remember it's not, "How you sing," rather, "That you sing."