

Greetings fellow walkers! Oh, my word, we are so far ahead of schedule. This week we were a formidable crowd - 38 of us from across Brighton, the East Central Ontario Regional Council and even beyond all walked, cycled, did yoga and cleaned our houses! We defied all the public health gathering limits, so thank goodness this is all virtual. I thought we would get to Toronto today, but instead we made it almost to Chapleau Ontario! Our journey this week has taken us through Haudenosaunee territory as we left Montreal and made our way to Ottawa, passed through [Algonquin territory](#), then through [Tyendinega](#) and then the north shore of Lake Ontario to Toronto, where we have entered the traditional territory of the Huron Wendat, Anishinabee, the Mississaugas. But we have also passed through an urban area, where a new community of indigenous people are gathering, many maintaining ties to their traditional territory, but for various reasons are now calling urban Toronto their home. Welcome to Toronto Urban Native Ministry (TUMN), where Indigenous Spiritualities and Christian Traditions have walked together Since 1996. Rev. Evan Axefoot Swance-Smith is a United Church minister serving the Toronto Urban Native Ministry, along with ecumenical colleagues. She is Turtle Clan Anishinaabe, two-spirit, grandfather/grandmother. Getting her Mdiv from Emmanuel College in 2013, Evan has served TUNM since 2004. TUNM serves a diverse indigenous population in the Greater Toronto Area, estimated at more than 95000 people. While their offices are based at 6 Trinity Square downtown, much of their work has gone online. Join us Wednesday at 2:30 to learn how Evan and her colleagues have offered worship, and pastoral care in creative ways on their ever-growing social media presence, including Tuesday night drumming on Facebook Live! For more information on who they are, please check out their [web site here](#).