

Eastern Synod of the ELCIC Newsletter



September 4th, 2013

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EVENTS:
Visit the **Eastern Synod website** for more information on all these events

FaithCARE Workshop
September 6th – 7th 2013

Book Launch for “Parables for Today” by Jane Ann McLachlan
September 7th, 2013

A Quiet day of Prayer in Crieff Hills
September 16th, 2013

The Women’s Auxiliary of Waterloo Lutheran Seminary 100th Annual Meeting
September 25th, 2013

You’re Invited to a Book Launch!

CONNECTIONS: Parables for Today by Jane Ann McLachlan

CONNECTIONS: Parables for Today is a book of 10 short stories; each one is followed by a brief reflection on the theme of the story and Christian-based questions for discussion or personal reflection.

All proceeds from the sale of this book will go to assist in world relief efforts by the Mennonite Central Committee and Canadian Lutheran World Relief.

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2013

Time: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Place: Christ Lutheran Church, 445 Anndale Rd., Waterloo (Take the first University Ave. exit from Hwy 8 off the 401 to Bridge St. Turn left on Bridge St (lights) and drive to Lexington (next lights). Turn left on Lexington. Christ Lutheran Church is on the right at the corner of Lexington and Anndale.)

Refreshments provided. No charge to attend and all are welcome.

The first hour will be a reception and presentation on the work of Canadian Lutheran World Relief by Tom Brook, director of CLWR; the second hour will go directly into the book launch followed by refreshments and book signing.

Come for the entire event or any part of it that you are available for.

Ministry Changes

Rev. Chun Zhang ended at Emmanuel, Toronto and finished as Interim at St Paul's, Toronto August 25th

Rev. Fred Ludolph finished as Director at Edgewood Camp and Conference Centre on August 31st and began at St John's, Waterloo on September 1st

Rev. Henriette Donner retired on September 1st

Rev. Tanya Ramer began at Bethany, Woodstock on September 1st

Rev. Douglas Reble finishes at Zion, Stratford on Sept 15th and begins at the Eastern Synod Office on September 16th

Rev. Brad Mittleholtz finishes at St Peter's, Warton on Sept 15th and begins at Zion, Sault Ste. Marie on September 16th

Rev. Heidi Wachowiak has accepted the call to St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ellerslie, AB



New Ontario WSIB Rules of Importance for Charities

Ontario churches and charities that retain contractors to perform construction work need to be aware of new legal obligations that were recently added to the

Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997 (the "Act").

To view the article visit www.cccc.org

Prayers and Best Wishes

Margareta Weingartner, wife of our late brother and colleague, Rev. Phillip Weingartner (1905-1992), entered peacefully into eternal life on August 13, 2013 at the age of 102

Pastoral Opportunities

The following Congregations are seeking a pastor. For more information, please contact [Rev Riitta Hepomaki](#), Assistant to the Bishop (1-877-373-5242)

Northern Conference

Trinity, Sudbury

Toronto Conference

St. Paul's, Richmond Hill
Christ the King, Whitby

Kitchener/Waterloo Conference

Mount Zion, Waterloo
St. Stephen's, Kitchener

Georgian Bay Conference

South Grey Bruce Parish

Atlantic Conference

Grace Evangelical
Lutheran Church and Zion
Evangelical Lutheran
Church, Lunenburg, NS



**THE LUTHERAN-ANGLICAN-ROMAN CATHOLIC
INTERCHURCH GROUP**

invite all Clergy and licensed Lay Workers to

**COME AND ENJOY A QUIET DAY OF PRAYER
IN THE NATURAL SETTING OF CRIEFF HILLS**

pray, meditate, read,
walk an outdoor labyrinth or one of six natural paths
casual dress, walking shoes suggested
lunch and snacks provided
opening and closing prayers

MONDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2013

9:30 AM TO 3:00 PM

ONLY \$20.00 PER PERSON

For maps and more information about Crieff Hills Community:

www.crieffhills.com

Numbers are limited

To register and pay your fee
Contact Rev. Jeffrey Smith
St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church
210 Silvercreek Parkway North
Guelph, ON, N1H 7P8

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: THURSDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 2013

Learning Opportunities

New Visions Training with Peter Steinke

New Visions is a training program for raising awareness and action regarding mission by establishing a 'mission school' within the congregation. Using a curriculum built around Peter Steinke's 'A Door Set Open' and the DVD 'Make A Difference' attendees will be trained to establish and teach the school in their own settings (a training manual, DVD set, and hard copy of 'A Door Set Open' will be provided at the training to each participant or team).

Those who attend will learn to:

- See the many external changes taking place in today's world affecting congregations
- Give direction to mission awareness and vitality in the congregation
- Recognize that change requires leadership
- Use biblical concepts and themes as the foundation for mission awareness and action
- Make mission central to the life of the church
- Know that change is resisted less if connected to Mission

When: Friday October 25, 1–8 pm and Saturday October 26, 9 am–2:30 pm

Where: Runnymede Presbyterian Church. 680 Annette St. Toronto.

Registration: Register online at <https://newvisions.eventbrite.com>.

Please note the deadline for special rates (see below) is **Friday October 11** and the final registration deadline is **Tuesday October 22**. Registration payments must be received by October 22 (please contact us if special circumstances apply).

Cost: \$220 for the first twenty individual registrants (thereafter, \$275 per person), \$410 for the first ten teams of two (thereafter, \$515 per team).

For more information contact: Ali Hayes at Toronto United Church Council, (905) 771-5124 or ali@tucc.ca

Nurturing Generous Giving

There is a workshop taking place on Saturday, October 5, 2013, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. where there will be an opportunity to learn how to create a congregational culture of generosity and gratitude. Attendees will discover ways to nurture increased giving and become the church God is calling us to be. Jeff Pym will be leading this workshop, which will be taking place at St. Philip's Lutheran Church, 61 West Deane Park Drive, Toronto, ON. This event is hosted by the Toronto Conference. Cost is \$20 per person to a maximum of \$100 per congregation. The registration deadline is September 20.

If you wish to know more about this workshop or if you have any questions, feel free to contact Judy Baribeau at judybaribeau@rogers.com. Also, feel free to visit the Toronto Conference website at www.toronto.easternsynod.org

Maranatha Lutheran Church Black History Fieldtrip: Uncle Tom's Cabin

Join us in exploring the community of "Dawn", one of the end-stations of the Underground Railroad. Founded by the Rev. Josiah Henson and his family, the community helped dispel the myths upon which American slavery was founded. Rev. Henson's life story is the factual basis for Harriet Beecher Stowe's best-selling abolitionist novel, Uncle Tom's Cabin.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN

DRESDEN, ON

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15, 2013

Cost: \$60.00 Adults

\$40.00 Youth (16 and under. Limited seating)

Trip includes: travel by Cherrey Buslines motor coach, picnic lunch, museum fees.

For more information: Please contact Rev. Peter Kuhnert at 519.888.7800 or via email maranathalutheran@bellnet.ca

FaithCARE Workshop

The registration for the FaithCARE Workshop is full. If you are interested in attending a workshop in the future, please contact Phil Heinze at pheinze@elcic.ca

Emotional Intelligence (EQ) and Human Relations (HR) Workshop

October 21, 2013 - October 26, 2013

Location: Five Oaks Retreat Center, Paris, ON Canada

EQ-HR 5 day Workshop Registration

- EQ HR Workshop Tuition is \$595; The EQ 360 assessment is \$185
- Food/Lodging: single room is \$546; double is \$420; Commuter rate is \$250
- Because this workshop begins at 11:00 on Monday for those wishing to arrive on Sunday evening, Pre-workshop lodging is available, single occupancy room & breakfast at \$136.50 and double occupancy room and breakfast at \$105.

Information on workshops for 2014 is available on our website at

<http://www.eqhrcenter.org/category/2014-eq-human-relations-workshops/>

EQ-HR 5 day Schedule and Registration

- Most workshops begin at 2 PM on Monday and ends after lunch on Friday.
- The 4-day workshop in Delray Beach begins on Tuesday.

There are two ways to register for these workshops:

- Register online at www.eqhrcenter.org or
- Send a check to the Center for EQ HR Skills, 19806 Mill Point Road, Boonsboro, MD 21713, Attn: Barbara Holder. For general information, please contact Barbara Holder at eq-hrctr@myactv.net, or call 301-432-8933.

What happens at an EQ-HR Workshop?

This core EQ HR Center workshop is an intensive 5-day session designed to enable participants to learn about, build and practice emotional intelligence skills in a small group setting. Skilled facilitators provide tools and feedback to enable participants to learn about themselves and to immediately practice emerging skills. As group life unfolds, participants give and receive feedback regarding the impact they have on others in the group. Participants will learn both inter-personal and intra-group communication skills. The content of the workshop revolves around the five areas of emotional intelligence as keys to improving leadership effectiveness for faith-based leaders.

What is the EQ 360 Assessment?

As part of this core event, workshop participants complete a comprehensive self-assessment of their emotional intelligence. They also identify up to 20 people who know them well and are willing to complete the same assessment in order to provide valuable feedback. What results is a detailed report of one's Emotional Intelligence strengths and development needs. This will be for the participant's eyes only and will provide possible personal items to be explored in one's small group.

What are the expected outcomes of the EQ-HR 5-day Workshop?

- Improved awareness of the concepts of emotional intelligence and the impact of emotional intelligence on the participant and all with whom he or she interacts
- Enhanced ability to identify, articulate, and reflect on various aspects of working and living in a faith community
- Strengthened understanding of how one is impacted by others in a group and one's own impact on a group
- Increased skills in pastoral leadership for lay and clergy
- Heightened awareness of the importance of constructive behavioral information about self and others as leaders
- Enhanced awareness of the presence of God's Spirit in group life and ability to identify and reflect on that presence

About the Center for Emotional Intelligence and Human Relations Skills -

Our mission is to equip leaders within faith-based organizations with skills that enhance their leadership abilities by developing emotional intelligence competence, building human relations skills and providing coaching support. Our trainers and coaches come from diverse faith traditions and professional backgrounds. Many have worked or continue to work as clergy or lay leaders. Others are teachers, coaches, organizational consultants and facilitators. They share a common passion for strengthening the individual leaders and organizations that support us all in the spiritual aspects of our lives.

We recommend this to our lay and ordained leaders!