

January 21, 2020

Grace be yours and peace!

This letter is written to invite laypersons of the Eastern Synod, ELCIC, and the Diocese of Niagara, Anglican Church of Canada to attend a spiritual retreat.



This year, our presenter will be The Rev. Dr. Allen Jorgenson. Allen is Assistant Dean at Martin Luther University College, WLU. He holds the Bishop William D. Huras Chair in Ecclesiology and Church History. His areas of research include Martin Luther, Friedrich Schleiermacher, Comparative Theology and Indigenous Spiritualities and Worldviews. Allen is the father of three adult daughters and husband to Gwenanne. Drawing upon recent research on the theme of leadership after the TRC, the Leading in Truth and Reconciliation: Colonialism, Conflict and Diversity presentations will explore how addressing these difficult issues can serve to orient, energize and inform ministry. You won't want to miss this opportunity to spend these special days in conversation, worship, and silence, as we explore the Spirit together.

Register soon, for space is limited!

The retreat will be held from Friday, April 17th – Sunday, April 19th, at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Ave, Niagara Falls, Ontario. The all-inclusive registration rate is \$265 and the commuter rate is \$125, which includes meals.

Please note that this is a fragrance free event.

If you have any questions about the retreat, you are invited to contact the Retreat Director, Dorothy Frook (dbfrook@wightman.ca), or the Registrar, Prijna Gingrich (anp.gingrich@rogers.com). Registration will be available at:

https://form.jotform.com/EasternSynod/2020-lay-spiritual-retreat

or on the Eastern Synod website at: www.easternsynod.org.

All attendees must complete an online registration.

Contact the Registrar if you require additional assistance with the registration process.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Bishop Michael Pryse

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