

Join us for spirit-filled enrichment and learning as we explore diaconal ministry through . . . and as . . . the lens of hope. Be with us through prayerful discernment and courageous risking as we conduct the business of DUCC. Come and experience joy and meaning as we dare to imagine God's abundance in a world of love and respect.



Tatamagouche Centre
Nova Scotia

When: We will begin with lunch on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 and finish with lunch on Friday, May 3, 2013. Lunch time is 12:30 pm.

Where: We are celebrating the *29th Anniversary of DUCC* at the Tatamagouche Retreat Centre located approximately two hours north of Halifax. in Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia.

Accommodations: There is plenty of room for 65 guests with shared accommodations.

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NATIONAL GATHERING

2013

DIACONAL MINISTRY: THE LENS OF HOPE

April 30 to May 3, 2013



OUR theme for DUCC National Gathering 2013 is *Diaconal Ministry: The Lens of Hope*. We will be exploring the meaning of HOPE . . . HOPE . . . not as noun but as a verb . . . not as a longing for something to happen . . . but as an intention to live in a way that heals and satisfies the longing for wholeness for ourselves and all of creation.

Part of our time together will involve doing the business of the *Diakonia of The United Church of Canada*. Part of our time will be spent reconnecting with old friends and building new friendships.

Our theme time will include storytelling and the arts, an ecological educational piece on HOPE and an afternoon of creative activities including fabric art, music, photography, and creative writing. A Ceilidh-style evening of entertainment will round out the event.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Applications to the Kaufman Fund could be a source of funding for this event. To request assistance, contact: Joan Tuchlinsky, 59 Trafalgar Ave. Kitchener, Ontario N2A 1Z5, (519) 893-0873

DIACONAL MINISTRY: THE LENS OF HOPE



DUCC was founded in 1984 to celebrate and advocate for Diaconal Ministers within and beyond the United Church of Canada.

Through DUCC, we develop friendships, expand our interfaith connections, and build a strong network of colleagues.

ECUMENICAL GUESTS

Joining us will be *Lisa Scherzer Polito*, Executive Director of the Lutheran Deaconess Association and President of DOTAC; *Joanne Vines*, a Presbyterian Ordained Deacon; and *Maylanne Maybee*, an Anglican Deacon and the Principal of CCS.

REGISTRATION FEES \$450

This includes accommodation for 3 nights, 10 meals and snacks as well as a \$100 contribution to the travel pool. This cost will be the same for all participants including those arriving later or departing early. No reductions will be made for those who stay off site. Register online at www.ducc.ca.

Please submit your registration form and a non-refundable deposit of \$50 by April 1, 2013 to:

Registrar DUCC 2012: Kay Dean
Apt 3, 422 Pleasant St,
TRURO, Nova Scotia
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LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

Participants are encouraged to choose ecologically friendly ways to travel. Ground transportation will be provided to and from airports and train stations.

The two closest airports are the Halifax International or the Moncton Regional Airports. Rail destinations include Halifax, Moncton and Truro.

For driving directions, go to www.ducc.ca