

Welcome to the March 2021Gathering!

We, DUCC's Coordinating Committee, are very excited to spend time with you all diving into the theme of Diaconal Identity through the exploration of who we are as diaconal individuals, community participants, vocational practitioners, and global participants. We invite you to participate in worship, prayer, discussion, and of course the business of our national DUCC community.

A few notes before we see you all on Wednesday the 3rd of March:

- 1) We invite you to print out the attached documents and use them as notes for yourself in the various sessions you will be encountering.
- 2) We ask that you bring a candle with you for both days of our meeting as it will be a part of worship times.
- 3) We want you to know that the chat box will be open 30 mins before and 30 mins after the sessions for our community to welcome one another. We have chosen to turn the chat off for the majority of sessions so that we may each focus on what is being presented.

And finally we end this welcome with the scripture we are using as our guiding light throughout this gathering:

#### Philippians 4:8-9 (Inclusive translation)

Finally, friends, your thoughts should be wholly directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is honest, pure, decent, admirable, virtuous or worthy of praise. Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have heard me say and seen me do, than will the God of peace be with you.

See you all very soon!

**DUCC Coordinating Committee** 

## **DIACONAL IDENTITY**

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### DIAKONIA OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA (DUCC)

### CHARTER

June 17th, 1984

"To strengthen the diaconal ministry within The United Church of Canada, we the undersigned covenant with each other in founding the DIAKONIA of The United Church of Canada on this the seventeenth day of June in the year one thousand, nine hundred and eighty-four. We commit ourselves to support this association as it participates in affirming our diaconal heritage, fostering a better understanding of the vital dimension of Christian Ministry and support for those individuals and groups committed to Diakonia. This association shall be guided by the principles and responsibilities which have been accepted on this same date, and by those on which we agree in the future. With faith in God we renew our commitment to diaconal ministry."

YOUR THOUGHTS?

# AGENDA

### DUCC March 2012 Gathering

March 3 and 4, 2021 Time Zone 10 am—1 pm PST 11 am—2 pm MST 12 pm—3 pm CST 1 pm—4 pm EST 2 pm—5 pm AST 2:30 pm-5:30 NST (Please note that all Agenda times are in PST)

### March 3

| Welcome Chat with the Zoom Room open!<br>Welcome and Worship with time for Check In! |
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| Who are we as Diakonia—Individual?   |
| Who are we as Diakonia—Community and Voca-   |
| Closing Worship!   |
| Zoom Room open!  |
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| Welcome Chat with the Zoom Room open!  |
| Welcome and Worship!   |
| Who are we as Diakonia—Community Business!   |
| Who are we as Diakonia—Global?   |
| Closing Worship with Breakout!   |
| Zoom Room open!  |
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