



“Gathering Strength
Scattering Light”

Proposed Agenda

91st Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference
The United Church of Canada

Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre
Sackville, NB
May 26-May 29, 2016

OFFICERS OF CONFERENCE

PRESIDENT
Matthew Fillier

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
David Hewitt

GENERAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES
Michael Blair

WORSHIP TEAM
Ivan Gregan, Ian Harrison & Mary White

MUSIC LEADERS
Kevin Parks & Dana Pardy

As an Affirming Conference, Maritime Conference seeks to create a safe and welcoming space for all people.

THURSDAY, MAY 26th

- 11:00 Check-in begins (Arena, Lower Level Lobby)
- 3:00 Orientation for New Delegates (MTA, Avarad-Dixon G12)
- 4:00 Presenters Check-in with Tech Team (Tech Table, Arena Floor)
- 5:00 *Supper at Jennings Meal Hall (Business Desk Opens, Arena Floor)*
- 6:15 *Business Desk Closes*
 - Constitution of the Court (Arena, main floor)
 - Opening Motions
 - Introductions & Greetings
- 6:30 Welcome from Aboriginal Representatives: Acknowledgement of Place & An Act of Reconciliation
- 7:15 Introduction to Open Space – *Emma Hebb, speaker*
- 7:35 Maritime Conference Executive Report
- 7:45 Staff Committee Report
- 7:55 General Council Executive Representatives
- 8:05 Gathering Worship & Service of Remembrance
- 9:00 President's Reception (Arena)

FRIDAY, May 27th

- 7:00 Chapel (*Sackville United Church*)
- 7:00 *Breakfast*
- 8:00 *Business Desk Opens*
- 8:50 Gathering Music
- 9:00 Worship (*Business Desk Closes*)
- 9:45 Stewardship
- 9:50 MP & E Report
- 10:00 Church in Action
- 10:30 President Designate Nominees
 - Ballot for President Designate
 - Ballot Circulated for Ordinands/Comissionands
 - General Council Executive Alternate Reps ballot
- 11:00 Educational Presentation on the Remit Process
- 11:55 Announcements & Blessing
- 12:00 *Lunch at Jennings Meal Hall (Business Desk Opens)*
- 12:30 *Choir Practice (Campbell Hall Residence)*
- 1:30 Open Space (*Business Desk Closes*) – *Mat Whynott, speaker*
- 4:15 Gathering the Light
- 4:55 Announcements and Blessing
- 5:00 *Supper at Jennings Meal Hall*
- 6:00 *Business Desk Opens*
- 6:30 Open Space (*Business Desk Closes*)
- 7:45 Gathering the Light
- 8:10 Settlement Committee Report
- 8:20 Tatamagouche Centre
- 8:25 Atlantic School of Theology
- 8:30 Nominations Report
- 8:40 Announcements

SATURDAY, May 28th

- 7:00 Chapel (*Sackville United Church*)
- 7:00 *Breakfast*
- 8:00 *Business Desk Opens*
- 8:50 Gathering Music
- 9:00 Worship (*Business Desk Closes*)
- 9:30 Open Space – *Penny Nelson, speaker*
- 11:20 Gathering the Light
- 11:55 Announcements & Blessing
- 12:00 *Lunch at Jennings Meal Hall (Business Desk Opens)*
- 12:30 *Choir Practice (Campbell Hall)*
- 1:30 Finance and Property Report (*Business Desk Closes*)
2017 Proposed Budget
Business/Proposals
- 4:30 Choir Practice (Business Stage, Arena) (*Business Desk Opens*)
- 5:00 *Supper (Business Desk Closes)*
Banquet for Retirees and Jubilarians at the Legion (*pre-purchased ticket required*)
- 6:30 *Business Desk Opens* (final time)
- 7:30 Introduction of Retirees and Jubilarians
Business Desk Closes: mileage receipts and printed evaluations due, (final time)
Book Room Closes
- 7:35 Report from the Ecumenical Guests
- 8:00 Introduction of President Designate
Presentation to Ordinands/Commissionands
- 8:15 Worship
- 8:55 Courtesies and Closing motions

SUNDAY, May 29th

- 7:00 *Breakfast*
- 8:30 Ordinand/Commissionand Rehearsal (Worship Stage)
- 10:00 Service of Praise and Celebration of Ministry
- 12:00 Closing of Conference
- 12:15 Meeting of the new Conference Executive

WELCOME

Maritime Conference seeks to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of age, ability, race, cultural background, sexual orientation or gender identity.

NO SCENTS IS GOOD SENSE

Please do not wear perfume, scented hairspray, cologne, scented deodorant, aftershave or other scented products.

TRAVEL CLAIMS & EVALUATIONS

Please be sure to turn in your travel claim as soon as possible. There is a box located at the business desk on the floor. Evaluations can be completed online at <http://marconf.ca/evaluation-form-2016/>.

UCRD (BOOK ROOM)

Located on upper level of the Arena.

OTHER NEEDS

Consultants with the Conference Co-ordinating Committee on Sexual Abuse will be available for consultation for anyone requiring this ministry while at the Conference Annual Meeting by calling 536-1334, ext 2.

OFFERINGS

The Thursday evening offering will be in support of the Conference Fundraising Project and Sunday offering will be forwarded to the M&S Fund. We thank you for your generosity.

CHAPEL SERVICES

7:00 am Sackville United Church (110 Main Street, corner of York and Main Streets). Chapel Services this year will be conducted by President-Elect, Rev. Catherine Stuart.

MARITIME CONFERENCE CENTRE

The Conference Centre will be open on Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm and closed on Monday.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Ambulance/Fire	911
Sackville R.C.M.P.	536-0830
Maritime Conference Office	536-1334
Mount A Conference Office	364-2247
Mount A Emergency Number	364-7821

APPRECIATION

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