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MEMO

TO: Ministry Personnel and Lay Members
FROM: Faith March-MacCuish, Executive Minister
RE: Regional Council Annual Meeting Registration
DATE: **March 18, 2024**

Greetings on behalf of the Regional Council Executive!

Faith in action is love, and love in action is service. By transforming that faith into living acts of love, we put ourselves in contact with God. (Mother Teresa)

It is a gift to have this wonderful faith community of Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters to live out our discipleship together. Thank you for all you do, both large and small, for our collective ministries.

As we prepare for our Annual Meetings it feels good to be gathering with one another in PEI again. For those who have been to regional meetings before welcome back and for those who are new, we are glad that you have decided to answer the call to this important ministry.

As Regional Council Members, we have important work to be about so in preparation for our time together please see the information below. This will help you with everything you need to be a participant and a vital part of our meeting.

Blessings to you all and see you in May.

“Daring to Dream Faith in Action” is the theme for the 2024 Regional Council in-person meeting being held May 31-June 2, 2024 at University of Prince Edward Island (UPEI), Charlottetown, PE.



Webinars

In preparation for our time together, we ask all members to attend webinars that will provide time for listening, learning and discussing the matters before us. As our meetings are a little shorter in duration, the webinars will help us have a more fulsome discussion about the items that will be coming to our annual meeting. Please mark your calendars as we are hoping to have all members attend the webinars. A memo with the webinar links will be sent to all those who have registered on May 3 (and then as you register).

Webinar #1: Orientation, Proposals and Commissioners

Date: Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 7:00pm-8:30pm

Webinar #2: Committee Reports, Budget 2025 and 2023 Audited Statements

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 7:00pm-8:30pm

Registration

Please note that all ministry personnel and lay members will have to register for the meeting. The **registration deadline is May 17, 2024**. Please fill out the registration form found on the website (<https://ucceast.ca/fundy-st-lawrence-dawning-waters-regional-council-14/2024-fundy-st-lawrence-dawning-waters-regional-council-meeting-registration>).

To read UPEI's welcome letter go to the following link (<https://ucceast.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/FSLDW-2024-UPEI-Welcome-Letter-1.pdf>).

Note that this year's registration form will again include your meals and accommodations booking. This information will be provided to UPEI for payment. A staff member from UPEI will be calling you to obtain your payment information for your meals and accommodations. If you have any questions while filling out the form please contact the Regional Office.

If for any reason you are unable to attend the meeting following your registration please ensure to contact Jenn Whittemore (jwhittemore@united-church.ca) to cancel your accommodations and meals no later than **May 27, 2024** or you will be billed by the Regional Office for those expenses.

Kitchen Party

Did you read "Kitchen Party" on the agenda? Yes, you did! Saturday evening will be a time together to relax and enjoy each others company. Beverages will be available for purchase by the University (no outside beverages will be permitted). We are hoping that we will have lots of people willing to share their talents (music, story, poetry) for us to enjoy! Make sure to let us know if you would like to share your talent when you register.

UPEI Food Bank

We will be collecting items for the UPEI food bank during our meeting. If you would like to donate something you can do so at the registration table or the business table. The University Chaplain will be there to collect the non-perishable food items. Food security is always a concern for the students and staff at the university. Thank you for your support.



Celebration of Ministries Service

The celebration of ministries service will be held on campus in the W.A. Murphy Student Centre (#4 on the UPEI map) on Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 10am. This is a reminder to all members of Regional Council that the service is a continued part of our meeting and we encourage everyone to attend.

In preparation for the annual meeting please refer to the posted material on the Regional website (<https://ucceast.ca/fundy-st-lawrence-dawning-waters-regional-council-14/fsldw-annual-meeting-2024>).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to be in contact.

Sincerely,



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Executive Minister



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