

# Vital Church Maritimes 2024

#### **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

May 9 to May 11, 2024



Jesus says, "When the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me in Jerusalem, in all of Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" - Acts 1:8 (NLT)

THURSDAY, May 9, 2024		
12-noon to 1 p.m.	Registration & Gathering Time with Refreshments (lunch not included)	
1 p.m. to 2 p.m.	Conference begins with Welcome, Introductions, Worship, etc.	
	WHAT IS?	
2 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.	SESSION #1: Setting The Scene	
3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.	Break (Refreshments provided)	

3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.	EXERCISE #1: Your Church's Missional Story	
5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Dinner (provided)	
6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.	SESSION #2: Recalling the Work	
8 p.m.	Ascension Day Celtic Worship	
FRIDAY, May 10, 2024		
WHAT COULD BE?		
8 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Gather & Coffee, Tea, etc.	
9 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.	Welcome & Worship	
9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.	EXERCISE #2: Bible Study	
10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	Break (Refreshments provided)	
10:45 a.m. to 12-noon a.m.	SESSION #3: Getting Out of the Box	
12-noon to 1 p.m.	Lunch (provided)	
	MINI-SEMINARS: Shifting from What Could Be to What Will Be.	
1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.	TALK: Gifts From the Spirit – Yours and Others – <i>Kim Lively</i>	
1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	TALK: We Are Not Alone - Collaborating as Teams – <i>Heather McCance</i>	
2:30 p.m. Stretch BREAK	(no refreshments)	
2:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	PANEL: What does it look like?	
3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.	DISCUSSION: What could be for you?	

4 pm to 5:30 pm	Free Time	
5:30 pm to 6:45 pm	Dinner (provided)	
7 p.m. to 8:20 p.m.	SOARING – Faith & Fun Trivia, Sing-a-long, and a special talk from an Airport Chaplain!	
SATURDAY, May 11, 2024 WHAT WILL BE?		
8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Gather & Coffee, Tea, etc., Room Check-out	
9 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.	Welcome & Worship	
9:15 a.m. to 10:30 am	SESSION #4: Mission-Shaped Church	
10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.	Break (hearty refreshments provided)	
11 a.m. to 12-noon	EXERCISE #3: Devising a Flight Plan	
12-noon to 12:15 p.m.	Wrap-up, Commissioning Worship	
12:15 p.m.	Sent to Soar into the future!	



## **SPEAKER / PRESENTER INFO:**



**David Robinson.** A recent migrant to Nova Scotia, David is passionate about mission and congregational flourishing with more than 30 years' of experience in Canadian Anglican churches. Originally from Ontario, he has served in the Dioceses of Toronto, Rupert's Land (Manitoba) and Montreal, as well as consulted in many other areas across North America. David was a key staff driver to the implementation of missional change in Toronto. He has extensive experience in strategic planning, supporting new church plant, reconfiguration of historic congregations. Dave also held portfolios in Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Rural Ministry Support, Conflict Management and Congregational Health. Dave was a recipient of the Canada 125 Award for his urban mission work and in 2013, he was appointed an Honourary Lay Canon of St. James' Cathedral in Toronto by

Archbishop Colin Johnson. Born and raised in the southern Ontario area, Dave spends his free time on the water as an avid sailor, wilderness canoeist and amateur boat-builder. He now lives in Whites Lake, NS, with his spouse, The Rev. Dr. Heather McCance, President of Atlantic School of Theology, and together they support a 23-year-old child, a 6-year old border collie cross, a 6-year-old black cat and a 40-year-old sailboat.

Through Appreciative Inquiry, Dave has come to understand his purpose in life as, "I am a Skipper and a Guide; I help people to get where they need to go." He continues to do this as a coach, consultant and facilitator in the Church through his consulting practice "Loose Canon Consulting".

#### **OTHER SPEAKERS & PRESENTERS:**

**Kim Lively** – Facilitator, The Connectors (missional leadership learning cohort); Parish of Fall River & Oakfield, N.S.



Rev'd. Dr. Heather McCance – President and professor, Atlantic School of Theology, Halifax, N.S.



#### **MUSIC:**

#### Rebecca Fairless

Music Director/Pianist, St. Margaret's of Scotland, Halifax, N.S.

An organist, music therapist, and singersongwriter. Originally from Alberta, she moved to Nova Scotia in 2014 to attend Acadia University. Most recently, she sang soprano and studied organ at St. George's Round Church in Halifax.





# **Don Arenburg**

Licensed Lay Minister, Music Worship Leader, cohort member of The Connectors ONE, St. James' Kentville, N.S.

### AND MORE!

