



The Reverend Dr. Jennifer Janzen-Ball

Jennifer currently serves as the Executive Minister, Theology and Ministry Leadership at the General Council Office (GCO), living in Saskatoon.

Jennifer's ministry has taken her from the prairies to New Brunswick, where she was settled as a newly ordained minister. After serving her settlement charge, she moved to Toronto to undertake doctoral studies and earned her PhD in Christian social ethics through Emmanuel College and the University of St. Michael's College, Toronto School of Theology.

Throughout her doctoral studies, she worked part-time as a teaching assistant and with various organizations, including as co-General Secretary for the Student Christian Movement of Canada, United Church congregations, and in the General Council Office, as well as teaching at Emmanuel College and Queen's School of Religion. Upon completion of her doctoral studies, Jennifer became the director of the Designated Lay Ministry Program (Calling Lakes Centre and then St. Andrew's College). She served as director for almost 10 years.

She is passionate about eco-theological ethics and the climate crisis. In her spare time, she likes to garden, knit, bird-watch, and most recently, play pickleball. During the long prairie winters, Jennifer and her partner like to build snow forts and create ice art, as a way to practice gratitude for the seasons and the gifts of the earth throughout the year.