



CENTRE FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Imagine Church Differently

2019

Year Book

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Our Mission

“Educating leaders for justice, compassion and transformation.”

Our Core Values

1. Acting in faith.
2. Living a theology of justice.
3. Educating through action/reflection, integration, transformation.
4. Grounding ourselves in sacred community
5. Living out of a spirit of abundance and gratitude.
6. Participating in a larger story.

CCS Staff

Principal	-	Michelle Owens
Program Staff	-	David Lappano
Program Staff	-	Janet Ross
Program Staff	-	Marcie Gibson
Program Admin / Registrar	-	Scott Douglas
Development Coordinator	-	Lori Stewart
Office Administrator	-	Cheryl Thiessen
Communications	-	Kimiko Karpoff (until Oct 31, 2019)

Central Council

ACC co-Chair	-	Ansley Tucker
UCC co-Chair	-	Kathy Platt
UCC member	-	Keith Simmonds
ACC member	-	Jane Barter
Student rep	-	Karlene Kimber
Student rep	-	John Helps (until fall 2019)
Student rep	-	Joyce Dickson (starting in fall 2019)
Treasurer	-	Stacy Stanley Young
Staff Support rep	-	Mona Denton
Program rep	-	Deborah Laforet
Communications rep	-	Ray McGinnis
Planning & Governance rep	-	Bob Osborne
Recording Sec. (non-voting)	-	Patty Evans
Principal (non-voting)	-	Michelle Owens
Staff rep (non-voting)	-	David Lappano (until fall 2019)
Staff rep (non-voting)	-	Cheryl Thiessen (starting fall 2019)



(Staff: Kimiko, David, Marcie, Lori, Michelle, Cheryl, Janet, Scott)



(Central Council Face-to-Face meeting, March 2019)

Students - Diaconal Ministries Program

2018-2019

Charmain Bailey Foutner
 Tani Baskett (Inactive)
 Tammy Bleue
 Alison Brooks-Starks (Inactive)
 Lisa Byer- de Wever (Inactive)
 Jennifer Carter-Morgan (NEW!)
 Pat Chabluk (Inactive)
 Christina Crawford
 Joyce Dickson (NEW!)
 Don Evans
 Lesley Fairley (Inactive)
 Meghan Gilholm
 Keith Hall
 John Helps
 Joe Kadi
 Karlene Kimber
 Dan Leaver
 Lisa Leffler
 Lorrie Lowes
 Sandra Maltby-Mills (Inactive)
 Dyanne Marlok (NEW!)
 Alana Martin
 Marion Martin
 Barbara McGill
 Lynn McGrath
 Patricia McLeod (Inactive)
 Kim McNaughton
 Kendra Mitchell-Foster
 Rachel Myers-Jordan
 Karen Orlandi
 Debra Osmar (Inactive)
 Rebecca Pike
 Jennifer Prince
 Bri-anne Swan

2019-2020

Charmain Bailey Foutner
 Tani Baskett (Inactive)
 Letitia Berger (NEW!)
 Alison Brooks-Starks (Inactive)
 Lisa Byer- de Wever (Inactive)
 Jennifer Carter-Morgan
 Pat Chabluk (Inactive)
 Christina Crawford
 Michelle Creedy (re-admitted)
 Joyce Dickson
 Don Evans (Inactive)
 Lesley Fairley
 Meghan Gilholm
 John Helps
 Joe Kadi
 Karlene Kimber
 Dan Leaver
 Lisa Leffler
 Lorrie Lowes
 Sandra Maltby-Mills (Inactive)
 Dyanne Marlok
 Alana Martin
 Barbara McGill
 Kim McNaughton
 Kendra Mitchell-Foster
 Robert Murdock (NEW!)
 Rachel Myers-Jordan
 Karen Orlandi
 Debra Osmar (Inactive)
 Rebecca Pike
 Kristie Pilling (NEW!)
 Jennifer Prince
 Bri-anne Swan
 Susan Toller (NEW!)

2019 Graduates:

Tammy Bleue
Keith Hall
Marion Martin
Lynn McGrath

Integration year students 2019-2020:

Christina Crawford
Joe Kadi
Lorrie Lowes
Barb McGill
Kim McNaughton
Karen Orlandi



(Keith, Lynn, Marion, and Tammy)

Students - Continuing Studies Program

Active in 2019

Kathleen Argent
Catherine Gutjahr
David Hughes
Lorilee Leslie-Cole
Laurie Marusyk-Peper
Murray Pruden
Nancy Renwick
Dieneke Spronk
Ellen Wood



(Ellen, Catherine, and David at Power and Privilege 2019)

Matching Gift Campaign

In 2019 CCS ran a matching gift campaign to support the development of our online courses.


Raised \$13,000

Match \$13,000

TOTAL RAISED FOR ONLINE CIRCLES **\$26,000 !**

Learning Circles 2019


 Ministry as Listening (online)
Jan/Feb 2019

 Integration 3 (final circle)
March 2019


 Living Scripture (online)
Jan/Feb 2019




 Power and Privilege
March 2019

 Health, Pain, and Trauma
March 2019




 Learning on Purpose
June 2019



 Integration 1 (fall circle)
September 2019 and
Integration 2 (online)
October to March



 Ministry as Storytelling
October 2019



 Spiritual Practice
October 2019



2019 Circle and Course Enrollment Numbers:

Praxis 18-19	-	25	Learning on Purpose	-	8
Field 18-19	-	12	Praxis 19-20	-	28
Ministry as Listening	-	3 (online)	Field 19-20	-	10
Living Scripture	-	9 (online)	Integration 1 & 2	-	6
Integration 3	-	4	Ministry as Storytelling	-	11
Power and Privilege	-	17	Spiritual Practice	-	12
Health, Pain, & Trauma	-	16			

Field Placements in 2019

Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary,
Calgary, AB
Brigden United, Brigden, ON
Central United, Windsor, ON
Grace United, Lloydminster, AB
Grace United, Chelsea, QC
Goodwill Industries, Bridges Out of Poverty
Circles, London, ON
Hartney-Lauder Pastoral Charge, MB
Jubilee United, Toronto, ON
Living Presence Ministry,
East Gwillimbury, ON
McDougall United, Calgary, AB
Ottawa West End Community Chaplaincy,
Ottawa, ON
Palgrave United, Caledon, ON
Riverside United, London, ON
Scarboro United, Calgary, AB
Silver Spire United, St Catharines, ON
Stella's Circle - Brian Martin Housing
Resource Centre, St. John's, NL
Symons Valley United, Calgary, AB
The GO Project, Toronto, ON
Trinity United, Prince George, BC
Trinity Memorial, Abbotsford, BC
United Church General Council, Toronto, ON
Villages United, Granton, ON



Learning Facilitators

Joanne Anquist
Bill Booth
Rose-Marie Cipryk
Amy Crawford
Bob Fillier
Deanna Gibson
Stephen Harper
Melanie Hickey
Andrew Hyde
Natalie Istead
Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Cathy Kinsman
Erin Klassen
Vicki McPhee
Leslie Sedore
Norm Seli
Jo Ann Silcox
James Ravenscroft
Heather Sandilands
Elizabeth Stewart
Teajai Travis
Paul Vollick
Kelley Warner
Steve Zink

Diaconal Mentors

Elaine Beattie
Lis Bowyer
Jamie Bradshaw
Marilyn Burnard
Susan Butler-Jones
Brenda Curtis
Deborah Deavu
Kathy Douglas
Anne Duncan
Linda Ervin
Tracy Fairfield
Joan Golden
Mark Green
Keith Hall
Jim Hatt
Cheryl Kirk
Deborah Laforet
Jody Maltby



Maureen McCartney
Betty Lou McNabb
Vicki McPhee
Dorothy Naylor
Valerie Pitt
Nancy Post
Don Retzlaff
Tracy Robertson
Jill Rogers
Yoon Ok Shin
Keith Simmonds
Lynn Smith
Elizabeth Stewart
Karen Thorne
Eric Tusz-King
Carey Wagner
Beth Walker
Kelley Warner

Are you a deacon or diaconal minister interested in mentoring a student? Be in touch.

Joint Degrees

Congratulations to Vicki McPhee, who completed her Master of Theological Studies program at St. Stephen's College in 2019.



Rev. Canon Nancy Ford

2019 Companion of the Centre

Introduction from the 2019 Annual Service of Celebration, read by Ansley Tucker...

Nancy Ford has been a deacon for 20 years, and currently serves in Victoria BC, as Christ Church Cathedral's "Deacon to the City." Nancy has brought natural gifts and professional training and experience as a therapist to her ministry as a deacon. In her time at the Cathedral she applied and redirected those skills, along with a passion for gospel justice, to the evident social inequities and suffering all around her. She has become a brave advocate for the poor, for the homeless, and especially for those who are least likely to enjoy the sympathy of our society – including those living with addiction or other mental health



issues. During the 2016 "Super InTent City" encampment on grounds of the Victoria Law Courts and right across from the cathedral, Nancy befriended the campers, participated in their daily sacred circles, went to bat for them in Court, and assisted the Cathedral community to find respectful and helpful ways to respond. Not surprisingly, she has continued – quietly and tenaciously – to advocate for those living with addictions, and assist others to respond compassionately and effectively.

In addition, Nancy serves as the "Director of Deacons" for the Diocese of British Columbia. In this capacity she has a key role in discernment, formation and the ongoing mentoring of each new generation of deacons. In addition, her work involves assisting congregations to understand the unique role of deacons, and the primary locus of their ministry. This is a particular challenge amongst Anglicans, many of whom continue to think of the diaconate as an apprenticeship program for priests (by which they mean to say "real" clergy), rather than as a full, equal and distinct order of ministry.

Nancy has brought her skill for servant leadership to many corners of church and society. She has been a trusted member of Victoria's Downtown Service Providers. She has also served on Victoria's Community Social Planning Council, and is the current Vice Chair of the Board of the Umbrella Society, which focuses on mental health and addictions. In this way, she has forged important connections between the church and those local agencies who are best equipped to address complex social issues, thereby building up mutual trust and expertise.

Within the orbit of the Church itself, Nancy has provided additional service and leadership at both the national and international levels. She attended and gave workshops at the World Diakonia Assemblies in Atlanta in 2009 and Berlin in 2013, and was instrumental in the production of a video called "Pathways to Compassion," which was shown at the latter. She was an active participant in the program review conducted here at the Centre for Christian Studies between 2015 and 2017. In 2016, Nancy assisted in bringing together a list of competencies for diaconal

ministry (the “Iona Report”), which was subsequently adopted by the Anglican Church of Canada’s General (national) Synod. Given the diversity of understanding and practice across the Anglican Church in this country, the adoption of agreed competencies was a singular achievement.

Nancy’s peers consider her to be a role model for deacons of all denominations, a lifelong learner who has the gift of talking her walk, while yet walking her talk. She embodies the wisdom enunciated by the prophet Micah, “What does the LORD require of you, O mortal, but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.”

Esteemed guests, I am honoured to commend the Reverend Canon Nancy Ford, deacon, as a worthy addition to that select group of friends, mentors and exemplars known as “Companions of the Centre for Christian Studies.”

In Memoriam

Grads, donors, and other friends of CCS who died in 2019:

Barbara Copp	(UCC 1963)
Margarete Emminghaus	(UCC 1952)
Margaret Fleck	(ACC 1980)
Bill Harwood	(Friend)
Basil Henderson	(Friend)
Bill Hickerson	(Friend)
Dorothy Landells	(UCC 1961)
Joan Lum	(UCC 1960)
Garth Mundle	(Friend)
Dorothy Naylor Crowder	(Friend)
Fletcher Stewart	(Friend)

