

2026 Graduating Students

Diploma in Diaconal Ministries:

Lauri Greenwood

Jennifer Krall

St. Thomas, ON

Coppersands, SK

Anglican Certificate in Diaconal Ministry:

Cassandra Golondrina

Winnipeg, MB

Certificate in Social Justice:

Andy Pitter

Wolfville, NS

2026 Companion of the Centre

Carol Stevenson-Seller

Hartsville, PEI

Staff of the Centre for Christian Studies

Marlene Britton

Principal

Robyn Cruz

Finance and Admin

Scott Douglas

Program Coordinator

Marcie Gibson

Program Staff

Alcris Limongi

Program Staff

Janet Ross

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Karlene Kimber

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Ian McLean

Co-chair

Stacy Stanley Young

Treasurer

Janet Nield

Secretary

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Vanessa Benoit

Student Rep

Megumi Matsuo Saunders

Member-at-large

Kathy Douglas

Member-at-large

Charmain Bailey

Member-at-large

Linda Ervin

Member-at-large

Dawn Dickieson-Léger

Member-at-large

Beth Baskin

Member-at-large



CENTRE FOR
CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Imagine Church Differently

ANNUAL SERVICE OF CELEBRATION

April 18, 2026



**“I will bless you,
so that you might be a blessing”**

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Gathering of Diaconal Symbols and Candle-lighting

Where Two or Three are Gathered in Your Name (MV 14)

Opening Collect

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Learning

Hymn I the Lord of Sea and Sky (VU 697)

Hebrew Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Poem: "Beginning with Beloved" by Jan Richardson

Hymn: I Have Called You By Your Name (MV 161, vs 1 & 2)

Gospel Reading: Luke 10: 25-37

Hymn: I Have Called You By Your Name (MV 161, vs 3 & 4)

Companion of the Centre Award

Citation & Companion Pin

Marlene Britton

Response

Carol Stevenson-Seller

Hymn: Song of Community (Carolyn McDade)

Recognition of Graduates

Presentation of Diplomas and Certificates

Citation

Marcie Gibson

Presentation of Diaconal Pins and Towels

Invitation to Offering

Offertory Hymn: What Can I Do? (MV 191)

Blessing of Graduates

Prayers of the People

... Hear our prayer, O God,

All: And in your love answer.

Song: One Foot in Front of the Other/Lead With Love
(Melanie DeMore)

Commissioning & Blessing

Sung Commissioning Go Make a Difference (MV 209)

Following the service please join us in the Guild Hall for a
Reception.

Our thanks to:

St. Mary's Road United Church

The ASC worship planning team (Scott Douglas, Cassandra
Golondrina, Andy Pitter, Jenni Krall, and Lauri Greenwood) and
volunteers

Robyn Cruz for organizing refreshments

Graduation Anniveraries:

25 Years: Patricia Baker, Sheila Martin, John McGonigle, Robert
Moore

40 Years: Elaine Barber, Clare Carruthers, Katherine Edmonstone,
Mark Green, Deborah Hoekstra, Susan Lauzon-MacDonald,
Russell Mitchell-Walker

50 Years: Douglas Ball, Mary Barker, Jill Curd, Owen Dawe, Wendy
Hunt, Marcella Mugford, Karen Richardson, Diana Urquhart

60 Years: Barbara Barrow, Sylvia Bell, Laina Bowring, Venice
Guntley McKenzie, Margaret Hetherington, Ann Hinton, James
Johnson, Frances MacKenzie, Betty Mackey, Ruta Muhlberger,
Mina Pool, Ginny Shrivastava, Betty Way