As Creation Groans: Worshiping God on Holy Ground

ISM CONGREGATIONS PROJECT CONFERENCE – JUNE 13-15, 2018

Wednesday, June 13
As we gather, we bring the gifts and concerns of the communities from which we have come, and we lift up the needs of all.

9:00am Check-in

10:00am Morning Prayer
  ▪ led by Maggi Dawn

10:30am Introduction to the Conference
  ▪ Martin Jean, Welcome
  ▪ Dorothy Bass, Reflections on the Theme

11:00am Singing God’s Creation: Psalms, Hymns, Earth
  ▪ Don Saliers

12:00 pm Lunch provided

1:30pm Congregations Tell Their Stories
Three congregations from different settings and traditions report on their ministries and invite others in attendance to consider their own as well.
  ▪ Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Washington, DC
  ▪ Kingdom Living Temple, Florence, SC
  ▪ United Church of Santa Fe, NM

4:00pm Break

4:15pm Breakout Groups for response and mutual introductions

5:30pm Catered Supper

7:30pm Hymn Festival
We gather in Marquand Chapel for an evening of hymns and meditations, led by organist, composer, and conductor John Ferguson, together with a choir, other musicians, and conference presenters. This event is open to the public.
Thursday, June 14

9:00 am  Morning Prayer

9:45am  *How Do We Hymn the Planet in the Anthropocene?*
- Larry Rasmussen

11:00am  Break

11:15am  **Workshop Session I**
*(Select one of three choices, which will be repeated at 2pm)*
- Fletcher Harper - *GreenFaith*
- Betty W. Holley – *Raising Ecological Consciousness*
- Anne and Jeffery Rowthorn – *God’s Good Earth*, a new liturgy and hymn collection

12:30pm  Lunch provided

2:00pm  **Workshop Session II**
*(Select a second option)*
- Fletcher Harper - *GreenFaith*
- Betty W. Holley – *Raising Ecological Consciousness*
- Anne and Jeffery Rowthorn – *God’s Good Earth*, a new liturgy and hymn collection

3:15pm  Breakout groups

4:15pm  Break

4:30pm  **Art and Prayer**
- A conversation with Maggi Dawn and Ted Lytton Hadden

5:30  Adjourn for the day
Friday, June 15

9:00am  Morning Prayer

9:45am  Worshiping God, as Creation Groans
Three panelists address the question: What language, what art, what song, what ritual may be life-giving in these times?
  - Teresa Berger
  - Jill Crainshaw
  - Michelle Lewis
  - Dorothy Bass, convener

12:00pm  Lunch provided

1:15pm  Breakout groups

2:15pm  Break

2:30pm  For the Journey Home: Reflections, Questions, Insights
As we prepare to depart, we harvest insights and questions to carry back to our own congregations.
  - Martin Jean, convener

3:30pm  Closing Worship

4:00pm  Adjourn