

Peter Wyatt will speak from “the radical middle” – after his ordination in 1969 by Hamilton Conference, at Trinity Church, Kitchener, Peter Wyatt has served as a pastoral minister in four conferences of the United Church, as General Secretary for Theology, Faith and Ecumenism of the General Council and as Principal of Emmanuel College. At Emmanuel he taught in the areas of ecumenism, mission and congregational leadership. While his Th. D. dissertation and continuing scholarly interests have their focus on the theology of John Calvin, there are those who suspect him of being a closet Methodist. He is an avid reader of historical and detective fiction, and a swimmer. Together with his high school sweetheart, Joan, he continues to negotiate the path of parenthood with four grown children and their mates.

Youth Participation

We are hoping that our day will be for all ages. We are inviting confirmation classes and youth groups to come, listen and share with each other where they think the church is going. We’ve structured our costs so that Youth can come and will only pay for their lunch! Besides – the church we’re discussing will be theirs and not most of ours.

Costs

The registration for the day is \$35 including lunch. We are deeply committed to making this accessible to EVERYONE and let cost not be the barrier to your participation. So, if you cannot afford \$35, then please contact Desmond Jagger-Parsons to discuss our bursary options at desmond@tuckitchener.org or 519-742-3578 x.3

Registration

Please send us the following information along with your cheque:

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TurningPoints@2050

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9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

*Where is the United Church heading theologically?
Where should we go?
Where is God leading us?*

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Right Wing? Lefty? Not sure? Don't like the labels. Ever wonder what direction the United Church is heading theologically? Or where it should be heading. Do you wonder what other folks are thinking?

At Trinity United Church in Kitchener, we began talking about where the church was heading and instead of going from crisis to crisis, started to wonder what church we should be building for the children of our congregation.

What will the church be at it's 125th anniversary in 2050?

What will or should our statement of faith be in forty years?

Our Speakers

Different voices lead our present church. We've invited three speakers from three different perspectives to give a presentation on the church of 2050 and which way we should be turning with our beliefs.

This conversation will be moderated by Lorna MacQueen, Hamilton Conference Minister for Faith Formation and Discipleship and will include break out groups.



Diane Walker has been in congregational ministry in the United Church since her ordination by Hamilton Conference in 1981. Since 2000 she has served as Senior Editor of Fellowship Publications which celebrates “the historic Christian faith in the United Church.” She is still searching for a felicitous theological label: the words “conservative” and “evangelical” seem both freighted and tainted. Right now she is trying on “conservationist” as a label for those who are nourished and empowered by the essential teachings of the great ecumenical consensus of the Christian faith. Time will deliver a verdict as to the usefulness of such a word.

Diane is married to Rev. Dr. Paul Miller and they have four adult children and two grandchildren.



Mary Joseph is an Ordained United Church Minister, former Mission Strategist for the Toronto United Church Council and Certified Spiritual Director. She specializes in New Church development. Currently Mary is the spiritual leader of Pathways, an experimental emergent United Church community in Markham Ontario. Mary created the highly successful ‘Seekers Dialogue’ series in 2004/2005, a 6-part multi faceted sacred gathering series that drew over 4,000 people. The series featured reflections by various community leaders including General Romeo Dallaire and Stephen Lewis as well as original music, readings, prayers and meditation. An anthology of the series was published titled *Seeking the Sacred – Leading a Spiritual Life in a Secular World* published by ECW press and available in bookstores everywhere.

For more information about Pathways visit: www.pathwayschurch.ca