Fifty Years of Faithful Witness

Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Priesting of Women in the Anglican Church of Canada

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, BC

8:30 AM

Registration - South Narthex

Collect tote bag and pre-purchased items

Coffee - Chapter Room

Snacks available

9:15 AM

Morning Prayer - Nave

Spoken office with hymns

9:40 AM

Opening and welcome - Nave

The Right Reverend Anna Greenwood-Lee
LCdr (retired) The Reverend Canon Jeannine Friesen
The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

10:00 AM

Panel 1: First Generation - Stories of Courage and Calling

Moderator: The Reverend Dr. Judy Rois (Diocese of Islands and Inlets)

Panelists:
The Reverend Dr. Wendy Fletcher (Diocese of Huron)
The Right Reverend Victoria Matthews (Diocese of Algoma)
The Venerable Elizabeth Northcott (Diocese of Islands and Inlets)
The Venerable Cheryl Palmer (Diocese of Toronto)

11:30 AM

Grace and Anniversary Hymn - Nave

Sing the Anniversary Hymn Guide Us, O God, with Blessing

Lunch - Chapter Room

The organizers gratefully acknowledge the support of The Anglican Church of Canada, and the generous grant which made this event possible.

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1:00 PM

Panel 2: Discipleship and Mentorship Alongside Our Elders

Moderator: The Venerable Sarah Usher (Diocese of Yukon)

Panelists:
The Venerable Jacqui Durand (Diocese of Calgary)
The Right Reverend Ann Martha Keenainak (Diocese of the Arctic)
The Right Reverend Barbara Andrews (Territory of the People)
The Right Reverend Riscylla Shaw (Diocese of Toronto)

2:30 PM

Break - Chapter Room

Coffee available

3:00 PM

Panel 3: Faith in Action - 50 Years of Women Transforming Communities

Moderator: The Venerable Tanya Phibbs (Diocese of Huron)

Panelists:
The Reverend Hana Scorrar (Indigenous Ministries, Diocese of Huron)
The Venerable Jordan Haynie Ware (Diocese of Edmonton)
The Reverend Laurel Dykstra (Diocese of New Westminster)
The Reverend Canon Alison Falby (Diocese of Toronto)

4:30 PM

Wrap up of day

6:00 PM

Meet for optional dinner at restaurants

Optional sign-up for a dinner - Narthex

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Gather for Coffee - Chapter Room

9:00 AM

Morning Prayer - Nave

Spoken office with hymns

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Panel 4: Next Generation: Stories of Hope and Resilience

Moderator: The Venerable Kelly Duncan (Diocese of Islands and Inlets)

Panelists:
The Reverend Leslie Flynn (Diocese of Islands and Inlets)
The Reverend Rajathy Gerlyn Henry (Diocese of Toronto)
The Reverend Dr. Patti Brace (Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island)
The Reverend Christine Burton (Diocese of Qu'Appelle)

11:00 AM

Wrap-up and thank you

The Right Reverend Anna Greenwood-Lee (Diocese of Islands and Inlets)
The Reverend Louise Peters (Territory of the People)
LCdr (retired) The Reverend Canon Jeannine Friesen (Diocese of Islands and Inlets)

12:15 PM

Midday Office - The Chapel of the New Jerusalem

Invitation to join the cathedral community for prayers in the Chapel of the New Jerusalem

3:30 PM

Call for vested participants

All participants who are vesting and processing are due, vested, in the Lady Chapel at 3:30 PM. The Chapel of the New Jerusalem (upstairs) is available for vesting.

4:00PM

50th Anniversary Holy Eucharist - Nave

The Right Reverend Ann Martha Keenainak, Suffragan Bishop, Diocese of the Arctic, presiding
The Very Reverend Catherine Short, Dean and Rector, Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Corner Brook, Newfoundland, preaching.
Followed by optional group photo and reception.

Thank you to Christ Church Cathedral and the Diocese of Islands and Inlets for hosting this event.

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