



ROCKY MOUNTAIN SYNOD

# **GENEROSITY CONFERENCE**

# **STEWARDSHIP**

**SEPTEMBER 25 – 27, 2023**

HYBRID EVENT:  
FROM MESSIAH MOUNTAIN RETREAT CENTER

REGISTRATION:  
**[GENEROSITY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION](#)**

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## CONFERENCE DETAILS

The purpose of the Rocky Mountain Synod Generosity Conference is for the individuals interested in the financial health and well-being of our church - to engage in the abundance-mindset work necessary to enhance and grow a culture of generosity that will sustain the future of our congregations, members, and leaders that make ministry possible!

### THE 2023 CONFERENCE WILL FOCUS ON **STEWARDSHIP** AND INCLUDE:

- ▶ Stewardship Kaleidoscope Plenary and Workshop Sessions
- ▶ Rocky Mountain Synod Stewardship Best Practices
- ▶ Stewardship focused Worship, Devotions, & Community Building

### CHOOSE FROM **ONLINE** OR **IN-PERSON** REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

#### ▶ ONLINE

The online conference will be on Zoom where participants will have the opportunity to sleep in their own beds and provide themselves with their favorite snacks and meals.

- Participants are welcome to participate with a congregational group or as an individual for one registration fee per login code or device
- COST = \$25 per login code/device
- Scholarships for Online registrations are available <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Contact Tina Kvittek at [tkvittek@rmselca.org](mailto:tkvittek@rmselca.org) for more information. Also, Donations toward the Online Registration Scholarships are happily accepted!

▶ IN-PERSON

The in-person conference will be located at the Rocky Mountain Synod's *Messiah Mountain Retreat Center*, only 30 minutes from Downtown Denver, CO

- Participants are welcome to bring a pillow & sleeping bag to bunk-up in the MMRC cabin; set up a tent or camper (no power or water hook-ups available); or book a room at one of the nearby hotels
- Snacks and the following meals will be provided:
  - Monday dinner (Lunch on your own)
  - Tuesday breakfast, lunch, and dinner
  - Wednesday breakfast (Lunch on your own)
- Dietary restrictions can be accommodated upon request
- COST = \$125 per person
  - Includes conference registration, meals, snacks and any printed materials
  - Space is limited to a maximum of 30 in-person people...
    - The cabin sleeps a maximum of 20 people, therefore RSVP's are required

## AGENDA

**Key:**

IN-PERSON PARTICIPANTS ONLY

ALL PARTICIPANTS: RMS CONTENT

ALL PARTICIPANTS: KALEIDOSCOPE CONTENT

|          | Monday<br>September 25 | Tuesday<br>September 26         | Wednesday<br>September 27 |                                   |
|----------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 7:00 AM  |                        | BREAKFAST 7-8                   | BREAKFAST 7-8             |                                   |
| 7:30 AM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 8:00 AM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 8:30 AM  |                        | PLENARY 2 8-9:30                | WORKSHOP D 8-9:30         |                                   |
| 9:00 AM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 9:30 AM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 10:00 AM |                        |                                 | WORKSHOP B 9:30-11        | PLENARY 4 9:30-11                 |
| 10:30 AM |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 11:00 AM |                        | CHECK IN 11-12                  | LUNCH 11-12               | RMS STEWARDSHIP ROUND TABLE 11-12 |
| 11:30 AM |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 12:00 PM | WELCOME 12-1           | BREAK                           | CHECK OUT 12-1            |                                   |
| 12:30 PM |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 1:00 PM  | PLENARY 1 1-2:30       | PLENARY 3 12:30-2               |                           |                                   |
| 1:30 PM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 2:00 PM  |                        | WORKSHOP C 2-3:30               |                           |                                   |
| 2:30 PM  | BREAK                  |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 3:00 PM  | WORKSHOP A 3-4:30      | RMS STEWARDSHIP PANEL 3:30-4:30 |                           |                                   |
| 3:30 PM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 4:00 PM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 4:30 PM  | BREAK                  | BREAK                           |                           |                                   |
| 5:00 PM  | DINNER 5-6             | DINNER 5-6                      |                           |                                   |
| 5:30 PM  |                        |                                 |                           |                                   |
| 6:00 PM  | BREAK                  | BREAK                           |                           |                                   |
| 6:30 PM  | WORSHIP 6:30-7         | WORSHIP 6:30-7                  |                           |                                   |

## PLENARY SPEAKERS



Plenary 1

***By: Kevin Kling, Playwright, Performer, Storyteller from Minneapolis, Minnesota***



Plenary 2

***By: Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey, Senior Minister of Parkdale United Church, Ottawa, Ontario***



Plenary 3

***By: Rev. Kim Dawsey-Richardson, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, El Cajon, CA***



Plenary 4

***By: Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo, President of Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA***

## WORKSHOP SPEAKERS



### **Workshop A**

#### Leveraging Modern Tools to Increase Giving & Volunteering

Biblically based material that can be used to develop sermons and study series that promote multi-faceted stewardship.

**By: Rev. Dr. Robert Driver-Bishop, ELCA Pastor/Consultant, Frederick, MD**



### **Workshop B**

#### Is it Wrong to be Rich?

Get new insights into your attitudes, feelings, and beliefs about money. Learn to feel more comfortable talking about money in constructive ways, including about stewardship and generosity, and how to encourage others to do so as well.

**By: Sherry Hester Kenney, PCUSA Elder, Denver, Colorado**

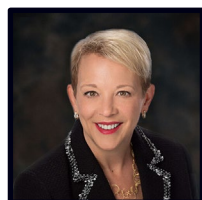


### **Workshop C**

#### Data Driven Practices for Engaging Your Existing & Potential Donors

Understand frameworks for generosity and active giving patterns across different experiences; learn to use open-access tools to identify connections with givers and consider best practices for integrity-filled engagement with donors.

**By: Meredith McNabb, Associate Director at Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy and the Lake Institute on Faith and Giving, Indianapolis, IN**



### **Workshop D**

#### Powerful Strategies to Maximize Year-End Giving

Learn to take advantage of high donor activity in the fourth quarter of the year with specific strategies, tools, and templates.

**By: Kristine Miller, Partner and Executive Vice President at Horizons Stewardship from Novi, MI**

## **RMS STEWARDSHIP SPEAKERS**



**Rev. Nicolé Ferry**  
**Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Los Alamos, NM**



**Rev. Joel Pancoast**  
**Zion Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO**



**Rev. Pam Challis**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church, Boulder, CO**



**Rev. Gary Sandquist**  
**Bethany Lutheran Church, Cherry Hills Village, CO**