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## The 2023 ADULT CONFERENCE "All Things in Common"

Acts 2:42-47

We are pleased to announce that this year's Adult Conference will welcome members from The Heartland Conference United Church of Christ to join us in the week's festivities. Our theme is "All Things in Common." Throughout our week together, we will have several opportunities to find the "things in common" with our honored guests. The conference is held at Northwest Christian Church in Columbus, Ohio, from **June 19 – June 23, 2023**. The Vesper Speaker for the evenings will be the retired UCC minister, Rev Loey Powell, and Disciples of Christ's Rev. Dr. Donald Gillett, II will be our Bible Lecturer for the weekdays. Early in the week, DOC's Regional Pastor, Allen Harris, and UCC's Rev. David Long-Higgins will have a forum discussing the UCC/DOC Ecumenical Partnership. Later in the week, we will get another chance to find our "things in common" with the LGBTQ community when DOC's Regional Elder, Rev Judy Alston, leads a forum titled "We are One."

We have several classes available Tuesday through Friday, and conferees may choose from two of the seven classes we offer. Our teachers and their classes are:

- **Revs. Deb and Harry Bolen - "Everything is Everywhere: Signs and Wonders"** - This class will spend the week sharing stories of the presence of God in our everyday lives.
- **Rev. Ken Slenkovich – "Christian Bridge Building"** - The class will present why Christians are uniquely positioned to build bridges between different groups of people, including churches, and explore specific issues that should be considered.
- **Pastor Sonny Whitehead – "Music as Worship"** - This "Music as Worship" class will explore creating and experiencing worship through a musical lens.
- **Rev. Enrique Ocasio – Speaking about Money** - This class will discuss money and how we manage it as individuals and as congregations.
- **Rev. Beth Long-Higgins – "Aging – Everyone is Doing It!"** - This class will consider current research about aging, along with Biblical study and the sharing of some frameworks for approaching spirituality as we age.
- **Revs. Drs. Betty & Irvin Green – "All Things in Common: For Better AND For Worse"** - From the time of the original text (the first century church) to the present, unity has been assumed to be an attribute. This workshop will consider the possibility that we are often also united in our shortcomings.
- **Rev. Seth Stout – "LGBTQ+ Issues – Sexuality, Relationships, and Gender!"** – This class will look at Biblical concepts related to these topics and learn and discuss the respectful behaviors for each.

The Registration fee for this exceptional week of learning, worship, fun, fellowship, and relaxation is only **\$230** (not including lodging). We also have part-time registration for any number of days, and the cost is as follows:

Daily Fee with two meals - **\$50** per day    Daily Fee with one meal - **\$40** per day

Daily Fee with no meals - **\$30** per day    Meal Price only - **\$12** per meal

Please get in touch with Reneé Graham for payment instructions if you opt for part-time registration or have any registration concerns. The 7:30 p.m. evening vesper services and 7:00 p.m. Thursday Consecration Service are open at no cost. Many churches consider the experience so valuable that they pay part of the registration for their members. Where there is a need, scholarships for the registration fee and 25% of the hotel fee are also available through Adult Conference and are handled confidentially. To request scholarship help for a parishioner, ministers should write a letter of request with the person's name and mail it to:

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Or via email at [xphile1955@hotmail.com](mailto:xphile1955@hotmail.com)

You may also register and pay online at [www.ccinoh.org](http://www.ccinoh.org). Check out the Adult Conference [Facebook page](#) for more info, pictures, etc.

We respectfully ask that you announce the Adult Conference to your congregation and highlight the importance of spiritual growth and learning to them. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you need further information or have other questions about Adult Conference. We stand ready to serve you and your parishioners in any way possible!

***Grace and Peace to you from your Adult Conference 2023 Officers.***

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