

We'd like to invite you to a space of nurture for those in rural congregations and for the communities in which they live. Rural Routes is a gathering with time for both structured and informal conversations, worship, education, play, prayer, and table fellowship. We'd like to share our stories and to hear yours; what is working well and what you lament or long for, what brings you joy and who is your neighbor. We'd like to imagine together ways in which members of small, rural congregations might remain grounded in and able to share the Gospel despite sometimes challenging circumstances.

Your Rural Routes Team

When: Thursday, June 16th at 10:00 to Saturday, June 18th at 2:00

Where Camp Ta Wa Si, Johnston Point, NB (Right on the Northumberland Strait)

Main Presenter & World Café facilitator: Dr. Marvin Lee Anderson

<u>Tasters</u>: Thirty-minute presentations given by a variety of people on a variety of things so good we may want to go home and cook them up in our own communities. Spiritual Memoir, Messy Church, Healing Pathways, Food Forests at Port Elgin High, The Beautiful Working of Wood, . . . are just a few of the offerings, each given by someone who loves them well.

Registration Fee: \$35 Register: https://hemofthelight.com/ruralroutes/

<u>Accommodation</u>: Attendees are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements. To help with this a list of local accommodations has been prepared and will be posted with registration information. If you have questions, please phone 506-536-0216 and leave a message. All meals except breakfast are provided. Coffee, tea, and muffins are available from 9:30 am

<u>Prayer Stations</u> A labyrinth and a variety of prayer stations will be set up in quiet corners for moments of individual pause and reflection. Gratitude or lament, intercession, or deep stillness, here you'll find ways of being prayer.

Kitchen Party: Do you play an instrument? Bring it along. Do you love to sing or dance? This is your chance.

Rural Routes grows out of the United Church of Canada but is glad to be an ecumenical gathering