



Announcing the 132nd
Annual Meeting of the
Episcopal Church Women
of the
Diocese of North Carolina

Harris-Evans Conference"Stopping Traffic:One Human At A Time"

Raising awareness and taking action about the growing problem of human trafficking in North Carolina, consistently ranked in the top ten states for trafficking activity.

When & Where: November 7-8, 2014 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church and Community Life Center in High Point Holy Eucharist: The Rt. Rev. Michael B. Curry, preacher and the Rt. Rev. Anne Hodges-Copple, celebrant

This year's meeting will combine with the Harris-Evans Conference, a triennial event hosted by the diocesan ECW, which has traditionally focused on matters of social justice and Christian social ministry. We'll work toward an

answer to this question: How do we, working together as the Church, respond to the scourge of trafficking - "modern day slavery" - happening in **all** parts of our diocese?

The keynote address will be given by Christine McDonald, director of outreach and advocacy for Magdalene Saint Louis, located in the Diocese of Missouri. Christine is an internationally recognized author and speaker on the social injustices facing underserved populations today. As a survivor of human sex trafficking, homelessness, and addiction, Christine - now blind as a result of a disease that forced her to choose between her unborn child and her eyesight - is on a mission to bring justice and awareness to the forefront of social change through education and unconditional love.



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Agenda

132nd Annual Meeting + Harris-Evans Conference

Episcopal Church Women - Diocese of North Carolina

November 7 & 8, 2014

Hosted by the women of the Greensboro Convocation

"Stopping Traffic: One Human At A Time" How can we, working together as a Church, respond to the growing problem of human trafficking across North Carolina?

Schedule of Events & Location: All events except the service of Holy Eucharist will be held in the Community Life Center of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The Community Life Center is located across the street from the church, at 205 W. Farriss Avenue, High Point.

Friday, November 7

10:00-11:30 am: Opening worship, including Holy Communion, with Bishop Michael Curry, Bishop Anne

Hodges-Copple, and the Rev. David Umphlett [takes place at St. Mary's Episcopal Church,

108 W. Farriss Avenue]

11:30 am-12:50 pm: Registration check-in, exhibits & bookstore open, pre-ordered boxed lunches available

1:00-2:00 pm: Call to order and business session

2:00-2:15 pm: Break

2:15-3:15 pm: Keynote address by Christine McDonald, Director of Outreach and Advocacy for Magdalene

St. Louis, a community in the Diocese of Missouri for women who've survived trafficking,

prostitution, addiction and homelessness.

3:30-4:30 pm: Fellowship and exhibit browsing

4:45-6:00 pm: Convocation meetings

6:00-6:30 pm: Reception

6:30-8:00 pm: Dinner and entertainment (RSVP required)

Saturday, November 8

8:00-8:45 am: Pre-ordered continental breakfast at St. Mary's. Exhibits open.

8:30 am: Morning devotions in the Community Life Center chapel

9:00-10:00 am: Share Fair

10:00-10:15 am: Break

10:15-11:00 am: Workshop session I: Creating a Welcoming & Safe Community; How You Can Stand for

Freedom; Internet Safety; Preventing Child Trafficking (pick one)

11:00-11:15 am: Break

11:15 am-12:00 pm: Workshop session II: Repeat of workshops (pick one)

12:00-12:15 pm: Break

12:15-12:45 pm: Closing ceremony: What we've learned

12:45 pm: Blessing and adjournment. Pre-ordered boxed lunches available

1:30-3:00 pm: Diocesan ECW Board meeting

Stopping Traffic: One Human At A Time

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Note: Individuals are responsible for reserving their own lodging. A block of rooms at the High Point Plaza has been set aside with a special ECW rate for Thursday, November 6 (for a more leisurely arrival) and Friday, November 7. Reservations must be made by October 24 to get this rate. See the "Lodging and Food" section for more information.

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A series of workshops will build on the theme. Each workshop will last 45 minutes. All four will be held concurrently. You will attend one workshop during the first session on Saturday and another workshop during the second session.

When registering for Annual Meeting + Harris-Evans Conference, please indicate your first, second and third choice of a workshop. Every effort will be made to place you in your top choices, but understand that the workshop organizers may have to assign workshops based on space constraints. Your workshops will be announced at Annual Meeting.

What Can We Do to Prevent Child Trafficking in North Carolina?

Each of us can do something to raise awareness and foster actions to prevent child trafficking in North Carolina.

Presented by PATH-NC (Partners Against the Trafficking of Humans in North Carolina)

How You Can Stand for Freedom

Human Trafficking must be addressed from many angles. Learn some of the tactics and techniques being used to bring awareness, prevention, and aftercare, and what you can do to get involved.

Presented by World Relief-High Point

Child Internet Safety: An Overview of the Three Major Dangers Found on the Internet

This presentation works through ways to develop family rules and safeguard the family against online risks, and will also give an overview of the technologies that are available for parents, grandparents and guardians to manage their young person's online usage.

Presented by Nimasheena Burns, N.C. Department of Justice

Creating Community: Love Heals

In addition to talking about her book, "Cry Purple," Christine McDonald will explain how her work at Magdalene St. Louis, modeled after the very successful Magdalene Nashville program (which has ties to Thistle Farms, a social enterprise run by women who have survived lives of prostitution, trafficking, addiction, and life on the streets), helps to provide a community where women can recover and rebuild their lives.

Presented by Christine McDonald

All are welcome. For more information and to register visit www.ecw-nc.org

"The commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking of girls doesn't happen in a vacuum, it happens in a world where girls aren't valued"

Rachel Lloyd-GEMS Founder & CEO

Pledging To Make It All Possible

The constitution and by-laws of the ECW of North Carolina state, "To have voting privileges (at the Annual Meeting) a Branch must have paid a pledge to the Diocesan Church Women's budget for the current year." These funds help to carry out the work of women's ministries throughout the Anglican Communion, our country, our province and our diocese.

While our yearly gathering is open to all, those branches <u>current</u> with their pledge are entitled to send up to five voting delegates to Annual Meeting. Anyone belonging to a church that does not have an ECW branch and who would like to participate in the Annual Meeting as a voting member can pay \$10.00 in the name of the church and be entitled to voting delegate status.

The diocesan ECW treasurer, Mary Hawkins, has mailed statements to current pledging branches. If you didn't receive your statement or have questions about it, contact Mary at treasurer@ecw-nc.org or (919) 682-4647.

We Have Been Called

"In March of 2013, at a church wide forum about human trafficking, Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori asked that everyone consider individual and collective responses to trafficking. She suggested setting statistics aside for the moment to instead focus first on the most basic response, the one that 'concerns the image of God and how we receive or encounter someone caught in slavery. Can we befriend, welcome, and accompany a person who has been so abused, in the same way we'd welcome the Crucified One or the Suffering Servant? Trafficked persons are often imprisoned by shame and rejected by the wider community. They are also traumatized by their dehumanization. Building relationships is the first step in healing the outcast and caring for someone who has been treated as less than human. When Jesus charged his followers to care for the 'least of these' he certainly included the trafficked."

(Excerpted from an article about human trafficking that appeared in the summer 2014 issue of "The North Carolina Disciple." The entire article can be found in the Annual Meeting + Harris-Evans Conference section of our website.)



One of our contributions to the diocese's bicentennial celebration will be **By Word and Example: Women Who Have Graced the Episcopal Church in North Carolina, 1817-2017**. This success of this ambitious long-term project will rely on the gathering of information from people in places large and small throughout all three dioceses (remember, we used to be just one diocese).

Lynn Hoke, archivist and historian for the ECW of the Diocese of NC, is spearheading this project. Read all about it on our website, www.ecw-nc.org, by clicking on the "By Word & Example" link. Lynn is also happy to visit your parish to talk about how to collect the stories of the women, past and present, who helped nurture its growth. We want to help you tell the story of how these women, in their own special ways, believed out loud.

Feel free to contact Lynn directly at archives@ecw-nc.org or (919) 602-4305.



In Remembrance

Reading from *The Book of Remembrance* is a cherished tradition at the annual meetings of the Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of North Carolina.

All ECW branches are invited to submit a list of members who have died since the previous Annual Meeting for inclusion in *The Book of Remembrance*.

If you have a name or names you want enrolled in the book, they must be postmarked by Saturday, November 1, 2014 in order to be read aloud at the Annual Meeting on November 7th.

A *Book of Remembrance* enrollment form is offered here. It can also be found in the Annual Meeting section of the ECW's web site (www.ecw-nc.org) and in section IV of the **ECW Handbook**. You may submit multiple names, but please put only <u>one name on a form</u>.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE ENROLLMENT

Send by November 1, 2014 to:
Gertrude Murchison
3025 Airport Road
Winston-Salem, NC 27105-4058
(336) 767-4635

PLEASE PRINT

(Copy as necessary)

Name as you want it entered in the book:
Parish and town/city (example: St. Mary's Episcopal Church, High Point):
Date of death:

Lodging and Food

Lodging:

Each person is responsible for securing their own lodging. A block of rooms has been reserved for the ECW on Thursday, November 6th (for those who want a more leisurely arrival) and Friday, November 7th at the High Point Plaza. The hotel is located at 135 S. Main Street, High Point, NC, 27260, less than 5 minutes from St. Mary's Church.

The rate, including all taxes, is the same for a single or double room: \$95.55, which includes a continental breakfast (for those staying Thursday night.) (A full breakfast can be included for a rate of \$101.24.) **The deadline for the special group rate is October 24th.** Reservations: Call the hotel directly, toll-free at 855-477-5292 [local number 336-889-8888] - make sure to ask for the "**ECW**" or Episcopal Church Women block. These rates do not include parking. A city-operated parking deck is located directly adjacent to the hotel. The fee for overnight guests is \$6 per car per night, and this can be paid when checking in.

Food:

All food for the meeting is being catered by REAL Kitchen & Market of High Point. Please indicate your choices on the registration form itself.

Friday Lunch

An optional boxed sandwich lunch will be available on Friday (\$10.00 per person) and will include the following:

Sandwich options (choose one):

- Turkey wrap
- Pimento cheese and red pepper sandwich

Each lunch will also include potato chips, a cookie, and sweet or unsweetened tea, or bottled water

Friday Dinner

A plated dinner will be served on Friday (\$28 per person) and will include the following:

Dinner salad: mixed greens with fresh strawberries and Gouda cheese with poppyseed dressing

Dinner entrée (choose one):

- Herb crusted chicken breast stuffed with prosciutto and smoked Gouda topped with white wine lemon sauce. Served with wild rice and roasted vegetable medley.
- Tricolored cheese tortellini with fresh spinach, red and yellow peppers, roasted Roma tomatoes and capers tossed with a sun-dried tomato pesto sauce.

All entrées served with dinner rolls and butter, sweet or unsweetened tea or water

Dessert offering (choose one):

- Key lime pie
- · Chocolate cake

Saturday Breakfast

An optional paid continental breakfast (\$4 per person) will be offered in the Community Life Center on Saturday, November 8th. Please indicate on the registration form if you plan to participate.

Saturday Lunch

An optional boxed sandwich lunch will be available on Saturday (\$10.00 per person) and will include the following:

Sandwich options (choose one):

- · Chicken salad on croissant
- Veggie wrap

Each lunch will also include pasta salad, a brownie, and sweet or unsweetened tea, or bottled water

Directions

Directions to St. Mary's:

St. Mary's (www.stmarysepisc.org) is located at 108 W. Farriss Avenue, High Point, NC 27262. The meeting will be held in the Community Life Center at 205 W. Farriss Avenue, with parking adjacent - see the map below.

From the east: Take I-40 W onto I-85 S. From I-85 S take exit 118 to merge onto I-85BUS S/US-29 S/US-70 W toward High Point. After 3 mi, take the Kivett Dr exit toward E High Point/N G Armory, then turn right onto E Kivett Dr. After 3.7 mi, continue onto E English Rd. After 0.3 mi, turn right onto N Main St. After 0.9 mi, turn left onto W Farriss Ave. Take the 2nd left onto Ardmore Cir, then left into the front parking lot of the Community Life Center. If parking is not available there, continue to the other end, then exit right onto Hillcrest Dr and take the next right into the rear parking lot.

From the south: Take I-85 N. In Lexington, keep right to continue on I-85BUS N/US-52 N, follow signs for Interstate 85 Business/Lexington/Winston-Salem. After 4.1 mi, take exit 87 for I-85/US-29/US-70 toward High Point. After 14.7 mi, take the N Carolina 68/National Hwy exit toward Thomasville/W High Point. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for N Carolina 68 N, then turn left onto NC-68 N. After 2.6 mi, turn left onto Westchester Dr. After 1.7 mi, turn right onto Chestnut Dr. Take the 3rd left onto Rotary Dr. After 0.9 mi, turn right onto Otteray Ave. After 0.3 mi, continue onto Ardmore Cir. After passing Totera Pl, the entrance to the front parking lot of the Community Life Center will be on your right. If parking is not available there, continue to the other end, then exit right onto Hillcrest Dr and take the next right into the rear parking lot.

Church to hotel:

- 1. Exit the east end of either Community Life Center parking lot and turn left onto Hillcrest Dr.
- 2. Take the 1st right onto W Farriss Ave.
- 3. Take the 1st right onto N Main St.
- Follow Main St for 1.1 mi, past High Ave. The hotel will be on the left in the next block.

Hotel to church:

- 1. Exit the parking garage onto S Main St, turning right toward High Ave.
- 2. Follow Main St for 1.1 mi, then turn left onto W Farriss Ave.
- 3. Take the 2nd left onto Ardmore Cir, then left into the front parking lot of the Community Life Center. If parking is not available there, continue to the other end, then exit right onto Hillcrest Dr and take the next right into the rear parking lot.



Can We Get A Witness?

Please join us on Saturday, November 8th for an ECW Share Fair. Here's your opportunity to share stories of how you and the women of your parish witness to God's love, and to learn more about how your support helps the diocesan ECW bear witness. There's also a surprise or two in store.

Social Media: We're There

Our website can be found at www.ecw-nc.org. You can find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ecwnc and on Twitter @ECWDioNC (an archive of all our tweets is located on our website.)