

2013 Bridgefolk Conference:

Reconciliation: A Way to Peace

Conrad Grebel University College
Waterloo, Ontario

July 25-28, 2013

Thursday, July 25 (*at St. Paul's University College*)

1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Registration

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner at St. Paul's UC cafeteria ("Full Conference" registrants)

7:00 p.m. *Evening Prayer*

- Worship and song leader – Ken Nafziger

7:30 p.m. **Opening Session**

- Introduction of special guests and board members:
Darrin Snyder-Belousek
- Introduction of conference participants
- Bridgefolk practices and the theme of Reconciliation
(Bridgefolk co-chairs: Marilyn Stahl and A. John Klassen)
 - Social gathering - Iftar (Leon Kehl and Andy Martin)

Friday, July 26 (*at Grebel's Great Hall*)

7:30 Breakfast (Grebel Cafeteria)

8:30 *Worship* Ken Nafziger

- Welcome to Conrad Grebel by
Jim Pankratz, the academic dean

9:00 **Keynote Session I: The Catholic Tradition of Reconciliation**

- **Keynote Speaker: Christian McConnell**
Assistant Professor, Liturgical Studies
University of St. Michael's College, Toronto

- Facilitator: Margaret Pfeil

10:15 Break

10:30 Questions & Discussion

11:30 ***Lectio Divina***

- Scripture text: Mt 15.21-28
- Facilitator: Muriel Bechtel

12:00 ***Midday Prayer*** Aelred Senna, OSB

12:30 p.m. Lunch

1:45 p.m. ***The Gospel of Our Lives: Stories of Reconciliation***

3:00 p.m. Afternoon Break

- Time for Silence and Personal Prayer
- Spiritual direction
- Journaling
- Afternoon Tea

5:30 p.m. ***Footwashing and Agape Meal - Elmira Mennonite Church***

- Presider: John Rempel
- Homilist: Theresa Schumacher, OSB

7:30 p.m. Evening event – *Of Gods and Men*

Saturday, July 27 (*at Grebel's Great Hall*)

7:30 a.m. Breakfast (Grebel Cafeteria)

8:30 a.m. ***Worship*** Ken Nafziger

9:00 a.m. **Keynote Session II: The Mennonite Tradition of Reconciliation**

- **Keynote Speaker: John Rempel**
Director, Toronto Mennonite Theological Centre
Conrad Grebel University College
- Facilitator: Andy Martin

- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 a.m. Questions and Discussion
- 11:30 *Lectio Divina*
- Scripture text Mt. 5.23-24, 6.9-15
 - Facilitator: John Hanson, OSB
- 12:00 *Midday Prayer*
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:45 p.m. *The Gospel of Our Lives: Stories of Reconciliation*
- 2:15 p.m. **Reconciliation in Action:** *Called Together &*
new International Trilateral Dialogue on Baptism --
Catholic, Lutheran, and Mennonite
- Panel: Msgr. John Radano, Dr. John Rempel
Dr. Gerald Schlabach
 - Facilitator: John Klassen, OSB
- 3:30 *Invitation to the Table:* A brief word on how we will proceed during the
Double Eucharist
- Given by: Marilyn Stahl and John Klassen, OSB
- 3:45 p.m. Break
- 4:00 p.m. *Double Eucharist*
- Presiders: Eleanor Kreider, Presider
and Gord Alton, preacher
 - and Fr. John Meoska, OSB
- Readings: Genesis 18:16-32
Psalm 85
Col 2:12-14
Lk 11:1-13
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Hymn sing

9: 00 p.m. Ice Cream Social (Andy Martin)

Sunday, July 28 (*at Grebel's Great Hall*)

7:30 Breakfast

8:30 ***Worship*** Ken Nafziger

9:00 **Reconciliation in Action**

- Monastic Interreligious Dialogue & exploration of a Bridgefolk Trialogue (Fr. William Skudlarek, OSB, Mohammad Ali Shomali, and Susan Kennel Harrison)

10:15 Break

10:30 **Mystagogical reflection and Conference Evaluation**

- Facilitator: Theresa Schumacher, OSB

12:00 Lunch and Farewell