

SWRC LAY REPS

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FORUMS FOR LAY REPRESENTATIVES

Shining Waters Regional Council:

The Big Picture

Oct. 19, 2022 7-8 PM



6:45 informal start

# Meeting Notes

51 Registered • 47 Attended

There is a link to the recording, the Bird's Eye View video and more documentation on our website. <https://shiningwatersregionalcouncil.ca/communities-of-faith/lay-reps/>

## NOTES FROM PARTICIPANTS

- Peter & Penny Wilkins, Eglinton St-George's. We are active in the North Toronto Cluster. ESG Live attendance lower at 78 last week, and more online live stream.
- June Cavers-Northlea United Church
- Sandra Kirby, King City UC, part of York United Ministries of York Pines, New Hope and King City
- David Leyton-Brown - Richmond Hill United Church and President of Shining Waters RC
- Barbara Hendren - Stouffville United
- Phyllis Airhart, St. Andrew's United, Toronto. St. Andrew's will be welcoming a new music director in a few weeks and are delighted to have Morgan Bell doing his internship with us. We became an Affirming congregation in the spring.
- Susan Williams Virginia United
- Sam Cha - North York Korean UC
- Glen Greenwood St. Mark's UC, Scarborough. We are getting a new lift to make us more accessible and inclusive. 😊
- Patti Rodgers, Bond Head United Church. Member of Communities of Faith Commission, member of the Property sub-committee and a liaison to our Community Ministries: Jane Finch, Davenport Perth and Regent Park.
- Allan Hux, Fairlawn Avenue United Church. We are preparing to call a new Minister.
- Nathan Y Lee. - North York Korean United Church

- Carolyn Harding Bond Head United lay member, communities of faith member. Bond Head is a vibrant congregation of diverse ages, mainly older though. We have a choir on occasion, organist & pianist with supporting musicians.
- Joan Chinnery - Ebenezer United Church Markham. We have a new minister - Rev Nicholas Forrester, and a new Music Director, Christine Hanson, and both are fitting in very well.
- Chris Bennett - East End United and CFC: Along with hosting food and shelter justices ministries at our two locations EEU also hosts community events like raves and Greektown wrestling among many others
- Deborah Hardwick, Grace United Church Barrie. We are vibrant, diverse, and inquiring.
- Bill Melvin, Timothy Eaton Memorial Church. We have a new Senior Minister named Jason Byassee who replaced Dr Andrew Stirling who served our Church for approximately 23 years.
- Ruth Bramham, Cummer Avenue UC, Yonge and Cummer, North York. Starting 2023 we will be back in our newly renovated church building, eager to expand our services to the community. I have been involved in the transgender community for many years. ... P.S. I have been involved with Affirm United since 2001 and retired from national council 2015
- Lynella Reid-James
- Ron Wigle - Parkwoods United Church, Don Mills, Toronto
- Lea Elcombe St. Paul's Scarborough
- Ralph Birtch - Temperanceville UC in Oak Ridges
- Joy Crawford Regional Rep from Queensville Holland Landing. which is a small church with 30+ attending service most Sundays. We are no longer having our services on Zoom.
- Ron Scott Northlea United
- Helen Norris. My church family is Seguin Pioneer in the Parry Sound area. We are a small aging community of faith who looks hopefully to the future.



## SHINING WATERS REGIONAL COUNCIL LAY REPRESENTATIVES



### REPRESENT

As an elected representative to the Shining Waters Regional Council you have been given a responsibility to consider and discern decisions about ministry, mission and priorities for service and stewardship.



### COMMUNICATE

Help us share ongoing news. Keep contact information up to date. Report annually. Link local and regional communication tools, i.e. website, social media, newsletters.



### PRAY

Contribute to growing a sense of belonging across the region by lifting up one other in prayer.



### PAY IT FORWARD

Recruit, orient and support your successor in the role as regional lay representative.



### SHARE

Let us know how we can be more effective in our regional purpose to encourage and support communities of faith.

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