

PRICING

Tax included in all amounts.

Option 1 Registration - \$225.00 *
 5 Nights Accommodation
 - Single \$201.25
 - Shared \$133.10
 5 breakfasts - \$35.65
 5 lunches - \$62.10
 4 suppers - \$63.96
Total (Single) \$589.96 or
(Shared) \$519.81

Option 2 Registration \$225.00 *
 5 lunches - \$62.10
 Supper Tues, Wed, Thurs - \$47.97
Total \$335.07

Option 3 Registration - \$225.00 *
 5 lunches - \$62.10
Total \$287.10

I choose option # ____ (Single ____ Shared ____)
 Amount Amount
 included \$ _____ owing \$ _____

Registration fee required with form.

- * Cost per lecture \$35.00;
 For full-time students & those over 65,
 pricing is \$120/week or \$20/lecture.
- PLEASE NOTE: There will be no small group
 orientation at Monday breakfast. Monday's
 worship will be from 8:45 - 9:15, first lecture
 begins at 9:30 followed by refreshment break.
 Small group time begins at 10:45, allowing
 15 minutes for orientation prior to discussion.
- **No reimbursement** on room and meals not
 taken. **\$25 fee** for cancellation.
- Only **pre-purchased meal cards** accepted at
 cafeteria (see options above).
- **Meal cards are not transferable.**

GUEST LECTURERS



Diarmuid O'Murchu, a member of the Sacred Heart Missionary Order, and a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin Ireland, is a social psychologist whose working life has mostly been in social ministry, predominantly in London, UK. In that capacity he has worked as a couple's counselor, in bereavement work, AIDS-HIV counseling, and, in more recent times, with homeless people and refugees.

As a workshop leader and group facilitator he has worked in Europe, USA, Canada, Australia, The Philippines, Thailand, India, Peru and in several African countries, facilitating programs on Adult Faith Development.

His best known books include Quantum Theology (1996 - revised in 2004), Ancestral Grace (2008), Jesus in the Power of Poetry (2009), Christianity's Dangerous Memory (2011), In the Beginning was the Spirit (2012), and God in the Midst of Change (2013).



Nancy's faith has been nurtured in several Christian communities. She began her faith journey in a Baptist church in northern New Brunswick. After completing a B.Sc. in psychology, Nancy studied at Fuller Theological Seminary in California and Toronto School of Theology. She was ordained by the Presbyterian Church in Canada in 1981 and served Valleyview Presbyterian in Calgary before moving to Edmonton to study

law at the University of Alberta. During her years as a law student, Nancy served Metropolitan Community Church of Edmonton and Evansburg-Greengrove Pastoral Charge. In 1993, Nancy began practicing law on a part-time basis and serving in ministry positions with Rio Terrace (Moravian) Community Church, Deer Park United Church in Calgary and Buchanan Eastwood United Church in Edmonton.

Nancy has been part of the ministry team at Southminister-Steinhauer United Church, Calgary, an Affirming Congregation within the United Church of Canada, since August, 2003. She received a Doctor of Ministry in Preaching in May 2009.

Nancy's vision of ministry is companioning the journey; sharing the search for spirit; critiquing the social order; advocating justice; feeding hungry hearts; speaking truth to power and to the powerless. She is committed to the gospel as a vision of social and global transformation.

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A bursary to cover the cost of registration is available to a lay person attending for the first time. For further information, visit:

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The 47th
ATLANTIC SEMINAR
 IN
THEOLOGICAL
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~ presents ~



Diarmuid
 O'Murchu



Nancy
 Steeves

FREE-RANGE SPIRITUALITY

Spirituality for Today's World

"My loyalties will not be bound by national borders, or confined in time by one nation's history, or limited in the spiritual dimension by one language and culture"

- Edward Abbey

June 14-19, 2015
 at the

Dalhousie Agricultural Campus

10 Horseshoe Crescent,
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Theme Statement

Free-Range Spirituality: Spirituality for Today's World

Can one have a spiritual life and not be religious? Can we talk about spirituality without assuming a god upon which spiritual values are built? What does it mean to be spiritual and how does being spiritual manifest itself in our lives?

From academic institutions to coffee shops to pubs, many are discussing spiritual values and how they connect with moral and ethical issues and global responsibility. Terms like salvation, redemption, and confession, which are deeply rooted in Christian spirituality and tradition, are seldom part of the discussion. Do they need to be?

Time has brought about a shift in understanding spirit, breaking away from the authority that defined the past, allowing the new generation to leave behind their childhood understanding of what it means to be spiritual and seek alternate expressions of faith by which they can live. The church's authority is giving way to self-exploration, the seeker is no longer bound by doctrines and creeds.

How can we expand our understanding of spirituality in ways that move beyond the traditional?

How do we affirm a sense of the spiritual in those whose expressions of spirit are non-traditional?

Join us as we explore this year's topic with our guests, Diarmuid O'Murchu and Nancy Steeves, at the 47th Atlantic Seminar in Theological Education.

Schedule

Sunday, June 14

2:00-5:00 Registration - Trueman House
7:00 Welcome and Worship and introduction of our Guest Speakers
Riverview Room - Jenkins Hall

Please note: All lectures will be held in Cox Institute, Room 24.

Monday, June 15

7:30 Breakfast **
8:45 Worship - Riverview Room
9:15 Walking Time
9:30 Lecture - Diarmuid O'Murchu
10:30 Refreshment Break *
10:45 Small Group Discussion
11:30 - 12:15 Question/Answer
12:30 Lunch
2:00 Lecture - Nancy Steeves
3:00 Refreshment Break *
3:15 Small Group Discussion
3:45 - 4:30 Question / Answer
5:00 Supper
FREE EVENING

Tuesday, June 16

7:30 Breakfast
9:00 Worship - Riverview Room
9:30 Walking Time
9:45 Lecture - Nancy Steeves
10:45 Refreshment Break *
11:00 Small Group Discussion
11:30 - 12:15 Question/Answer
12:30 Lunch
2:00 Lecture - Diarmuid O'Murchu
3:00 Refreshment Break *
3:15 Small Group Discussion
3:45 - 4:30 Question/Answer
5:00 Supper
7:00 'I. Judson Levy' Evening Forum

* You may bring a mug for personal use.
** No hot breakfast served after 8 AM.

Wednesday, June 17

7:30 Breakfast
9:00 Worship - Riverview Room
9:30 Walking Time
9:45 Lecture - Diarmuid O'Murchu
10:45 Refreshment Break *
11:00 Small Group Discussion
11:30 - 12:15 Question/Answer
12:30 Lunch
FREE AFTERNOON
6:00 Doors Open
6:30 Lecture - Nancy Steeves
7:30 Small Group Discussion
8:00 - 8:45 Question / Answer
8:45 Closing

Thursday, June 18

7:30 Breakfast
9:00 Worship - Riverview Room
9:30 Walking Time
9:45 Lecture - Nancy Steeves
10:45 Refreshment Break *
11:00 Small Group Discussion
11:30 - 12:15 Question/Answer
12:30 Lunch
2:00 Lecture - Diarmuid O'Murchu
3:00 Refreshment Break *
3:15 Small Group Discussion
3:45 - 4:30 Question/Answer
5:00 Supper
7:00 **EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP & FUN**
Riverview Room

Friday, June 19

7:30 Breakfast
9:00 Worship
9:45 A.G.M.
10:30 Refreshment Break
10:45 Speakers' Closing Remarks
11:15 - 12:15 Questions & Wrap-Up
12:30 Lunch and Departure

Thank you for complying with our **NO-SCENTS** policy.

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration fee required with form.

Name _____
Address _____
Postal Code _____
Phone _____ (H) _____ (W)
E-mail _____
Denomination _____

Because privacy laws require your permission, please indicate your desire to remain on our mailing list.

Book Room - A selection of books, courtesy of the United Church Book Room (Toronto), will be made available for purchase Monday through Thursday. Times will be posted.

Please send by **May 3rd, 2015** to:

ASTE Registration
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Persons registering after **May 3rd** are responsible for arranging their own accommodations & meals.

