



Tuesday, July 18, 2017

11:00am - 1:00pm Registration

1:15 Welcome

Dr. Dustin Swanger, President, Fulton-Montgomery Community College

1:30 to-3:30pm Theological Basis for Bridging the Divide

Speaker: Dr. James Evans, Former President, and Professor Emeritus of Systematic Theology, Colgate Rochester Divinity School, and Senior Pastor, St. Luke's Tabernacle Community Church, Rochester.

Panel: The Reverend Karina Feliz, Pastor, United Methodist Church of the Highlands and Co-Chair, Task Force on Immigration, New York Conference, United Methodist Church Dr. Alison Collis Greene, Associate Professor of History, Mississippi State University

3:30pm Wine & Cheese Reception

5:30pm Dinner

7:00-9:00 Historical Considerations in Bridging the Divide

Speaker: Dr. Alison Collis Greene, Associate Professor of History, Mississippi State University

Panel: Dr. James Evans, The Reverend Karina Feliz and The Reverend Ralph English, Professor of History, Empire State College and Pastor of Gloversville United Church of Christ

9:00- 11:00pm Networking time for participants

Wednesday, July 19, 2017

7:30 - 8:30am Breakfast

8:45 - 9:15am Welcome

Mr. Craig Tallarica, Deputy Mayor of Johnstown and Elder, First Presbyterian Church in Johnstown

9:15 - 11:15am

Hospitality and Outreach as a Basis for Bridging the Divide

Speaker: *The Reverend Karina Feliz, Pastor, United Methodist Church of the Highlands and Co-Chair, Task Force on Immigration, New York Conference, United Methodist Church*

Panel: *Dr. James Evans, Dr. Alison Collis Greene and The Reverend Pete Willner, Interfaith Works, Syracuse, New York*

11:30am - 12:30pm Lunch

12:30 – 2:30 pm Addressing Poverty: Educational, Business, Political and Faith Based Perspectives

Mr. Dan Cullen, Regional Director - Capital Region, Workforce Development Institute (WDI)
The Reverend Zach Labagh, Convener of Reull's Well, Dean Foothills Conference Upstate New York Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and Pastor of St. John's and St. Mark's Lutheran Church,
Canajoharie, New York and Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Point Arabia, New York
The Reverend Emily McNeil, Executive Director, Labor-Religion Coalition of New York

2:45 - 5:00pm Creating Together Models for Ministry in Rural and Urban Settings

The Reverend Peter Cook, Executive Director, New York State Council of Churches with Conference Participants

5:15 pm Picnic Dinner featuring Soul Sky Band

7:00 - 9:00pm Education, Labor, and Business Approaches to Bridging the Divide

Speaker: Dr. Dusty Swanger, President, Fulton-Montgomery Community College

Panel: Mr. Ron Peters, Fulton County Center for Regional Growth

Dr. Patrick Michel, District Superintendent, BOCCES

Mr. Mark Emanatian, Senior Field Coordinator, Capital District Area Labor Federation

Thursday, July 20, 2017

7:30 - 8:30am Breakfast

8:45am-10:00am Movement Building

Ms. Katie Cook, English Teacher, Condon High School and Farmer, Condon, Oregon and Convener of Rural Voices

10:15am-12:00pm Closing Reflections on Where We Go from Here

Dr. Evans, Dr. Collis Greene, and Reverend Feliz

Schedule as of July 8. Additional speakers and panelists soon to be announced.