

Identity, Theology & Place: Reinhabiting the Mississippi Watershed

Indigenous Peoples' Day weekend: October 9-11, 2015
at Church of All Nations
4301 Benjamin St. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55421

About this conference:

The earth faces an unprecedented ecological crisis that threatens the survival of countless species, including our own. Alienation from the land rooted in settler colonialism causes nature to be treated as mere commodity. The effect is poor health, impoverished spirits, fractured communities, and lost identities.

We invite all committed to the journey of decolonization – indigenous peoples, colonial settlers, and others – to explore a theology of restorative solidarity, ecological sustainability, and connection to place. The Mississippi Watershed (3rd largest watershed in the world) will serve as a case study on how we can reinhabit, fight for, and begin to heal ourselves and the land that we depend on for life.

Speakers include:



Ched Myers is an activist theologian, biblical scholar, popular educator, author, organizer and advocate who has for 35 years been challenging and supporting Christians to engage in peace and justice work and radical discipleship.



Elaine Enns has been working in the field of restorative justice since 1989. She recently completed her Doctor of Ministry on barriers within Settler communities in building solidarity with their Indigenous neighbors.



Sharon Day, Ojibwe, is an award winning artist and writer. As an environmental activist, she has walked the Mississippi River, the Ohio River, Seneca Lake, Pokegama Lake, and the St. Louis River, as well as the 4 Directions Water Walk. She is the Executive Director and co-founder of the Indigenous Peoples Task Force.



Jim Bear Jacobs is a member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican Nation, serves as Parish Pastor at Church of All Nations, and is convener of Healing MN Stories, a committee that advances dialogue and education within faith communities around American Indian causes and injustices.



Jin S. Kim is founding pastor of Church of All Nations and most recently founder of Underground Seminary, which focuses on decolonizing Christian leadership. He writes and speaks widely on the ministry of reconciliation in a post-colonial, post-supremacist world.

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