

Friday 2:00pm Workshop Locations

<i>Global Communion Issues</i>	<i>Dining Hall</i>
<i>Discipling Young Adults</i>	<i>Betteridge</i>
<i>Being a Welcoming Church</i>	<i>Chapel</i>
<i>Healthy Small Churches</i>	<i>Stanway Alpha</i>
<i>Ministry to Women</i>	<i>Stanway Beta</i>
<i>Children and Families</i>	<i>Cole Common Room</i>
<i>Seniors Ministry</i>	<i>Wade Lodge (upstairs)</i>
<i>Workplace Disciples</i>	<i>St Andrews Hall</i>
<i>Pastor's Hidden Life</i>	<i>St Andrews Hall</i>



The Future of the Anglican Communion

The Nature of Communion

- The Church of England
- The Colonial Church
- The Communion of Anglican Churches
- Matters of Governance

Instruments of Unity

- Archbishop of Canterbury (597)
- Lambeth Conference (1867)
- Anglican Consultative Council (1971)
- Primates' Meeting (1979)

Recent Events

- 1988 General Convention, ECUSA
- 1989 Bishop Spong ordains Robert Williams
- 1990 Bishop Righter ordains Barry Stopfel
- 1991 Attempt to impose orthodoxy by canon defeated

Recent Events

- 1994 Spong publishes Koinonia Statement
- 1996 Righter tried and acquitted
- 1997 Kuala Lumpur Statement not affirmed
- 1998 Lambeth Conference

Liberal Advance

- 2002 Diocese of New Westminster votes for third time to endorse blessing of same-sex couples, with support of bishop
- May 2003 Jeffrey John's appointment as bishop
- June 2003 Gene Robinson elected bishop
- July 2003 Jeffrey John withdraws nomination

Liberal Advance

- Aug 2003 General Convention confirms Robinson's election
- Nov 2003 Robinson consecrated

"If the consecration proceeds the future of the Communion would be put in jeopardy...[it would] tear the fabric of our communion at its deepest level." (Primates' meeting Oct 2003)

Conservative Response

- 1999 Come and See Report (Goodhew)
- 2000 Singapore consecrations of Murphy & Rodgers
- 2001 Denver consecrations of 4 bishops
- Oct 2003 Primates' Meeting – Windsor Report

Conservative Response

- Sep 2004 Windsor Report proposes moratoria on blessings/consecrations
- 2005 Primates' Meeting
Panel of Reference established
- 2007 Primates' Meeting
request for repentance and adequate pastoral care, and set 30 September deadline

Conservative Response

- 2008 GAFCON
1200 clergy and laity
300 bishops
75% of Anglican Communion

Conference Statement

Jerusalem Declaration





Lambeth Conference 2008

- Reflections - no resolutions
- Covenant Process
- Pastoral Forum
- Moratoria on blessings/consecrations/border crossings

Rowan Williams

- "I think if the North American churches don't accept the need for moratoria then at least we are no further forward," Williams said at the conference's concluding press briefing. "As a Communion we would be in great peril."



Bishop John Chane

- The Archbishop of Canterbury has called for sacrifices to be made to keep the garment of the communion together. And for the American and Canadian churches, that clearly means sacrificing once again the full participation of gay and lesbian people in the life of our church. I, for one, will not ask for any more sacrifices to be made by persons in our church who have been made outcasts because of their sexual orientation.



Bishop John Chane

- This Lambeth conference could have been a positive turning point for the Anglican communion, but instead the powers-that-be chose to seek a middle way that is neither "the middle" nor "the way".



Continuing Prosecution

Two parishes received letters on 26 August 2008, informing them that the Bishop of New Westminster had taken action on 10 July 2008 to seize control of those parish properties. The letters also notified the wardens, trustees and parish councils that Bishop Michael Ingham had dismissed and replaced them and ordered the clergy to vacate the church buildings by mid-September.

Gafcon Primates

"First, some Anglicans have sanctified sinful practices and will continue to do so whatever others may think. Second, churches and even dioceses affected by this disobedience have rightly withdrawn fellowship while wishing to remain authentic Anglicans. So-called 'border-crossing' is another way of describing the provision of recognition and care for those who have been faithful to the teachings of Holy Scripture."

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"Third, there is widespread impaired and broken sacramental communion amongst Anglicans with far-reaching global implications. The hope that we may somehow return to the state of affairs before 2003 is an illusion."

Communique - August 2008

Next 12 Months

- 2008 Process for Pastoral Forum
- 2008 Joint Standing Committee (PM/ACC)
- 2009 Primates Meeting
- 2009 Anglican Consultative Council
- 2009 Release of final draft of Covenant
- 2009 TEC General Convention

Next 10 Years

- Realignment
- Authorisation of same-sex unions
- Consecration of non-celibate gay bishops
- New province for North America
- Continued border crossings
- 2012? Gafcon II
- 2018 Lambeth Conference

