



BISHOP'S TRAINING EVENT 2017

Anglican Diocese of Tasmania

Bishop's Training Event - Flourish

Session One: 1:30pm – 2:45pm

Workshop A1	Title: Bible Reading One to One	Presenter: Deb Sugars
Outline:	Imagine if there was a way that people could grow in their knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ way that returned gospel growth to the everyday fabric of personal relationship. An activity some simple and universal that it meets the discipleship needs of very different people at very different stages of discipleship - even non-christians! There. Is! It's called one-to-one Bible reading. In this workshop we will explore how to begin, selecting and working with passages, as well as some tools for successful sessions. You don't need to have your own completely under control before being able to minister to others: come along to this workshop to gain some skills and the confidence to get started today.	
Biography:	Deb loves Jesus, and wants others to share in the joy of knowing him. Equipping people for ministry is a passion of hers. Her background is in Social Work. John and Deb have 3 adult children. Deb works at St Jude's Anglican Church in Carlton, as a Discipleship Minister. She and John are hoping to serve in the Middle East from next year, with CMS.	

Workshop A2	Title: Developing Disciplemaking Pathways	Presenter: Chris Bowditch
Outline:	When I was first starting in ministry I had an experience that was both exciting and convicting all at once. I'd prepared a series of evangelistic talks to give on a youth camp culminating in a call to follow Jesus on day 4 of the camp. Well day 4 came, and about 6 or 7 kids put their hand up and said they wanted to follow Jesus... only problem? I had done zero planning on what I'd do to help these kids take the next step in their faith journey. Pathways is a strategy you can use to make sure your church isn't making the same mistake I did back then. Come along and hear about it and how we're trying to use this strategy to guide our new ministry at Lindisfarne Anglican Church.	
Biography:	Chris realised what Jesus death meant for him as an adult on an Anglican Camping Camp in January 2001. He is married to Ellisa and they have one beautiful daughter. In April this year he began ministering amongst the people of Lindisfarne as the Priest in Charge at Lindisfarne Anglican Church.	

Workshop A3	Title: How to start a Children's and Youth Ministry from scratch! Presenter: James Veltmeyer
Outline:	For many of us we want to see children's and youth ministry happening in our church, we get exciting about the idea of making disciples of young people. We want to start something, but we don't know where to start. This workshop focus' on everything you need to know about starting a children's and youth ministry from nothing.
Biography:	James grew up in a Christian home, so there was never a time he can remember that he didn't trust in Jesus' death and resurrection. He is married to Anita and they have 3 children Will(8), Heidi(7) and Hannah(4). He has been making disciples in Tasmania since 2009 where he worked as the Youth Minister till 2013. Between 2014-2016 he was the Director of Children's and Youth Ministry for the Anglican Church of Tasmania. Now he has a dual role as the Diocesan Youth Officer and Youth Pastor at Wellspring. He is passionate about making disciples among children, youth and families, coaching Will's soccer team, coffee and craft beer with mates and holidays on Bruny Island with the family.

Workshop A4	Title: Pastoral Care Basics Presenter: Paul Hueston
Outline:	Of all the Ministries that shouldn't be mysteries, Pastoral Care is probably the top priority. Everything we do for each other in our times of difficulty (and sometimes joy!) is pastoral care. Having skills in pastoral care enables better conversations, stronger congregations and opens up opportunities to serve in ministry. Join Paul for this introductory workshop. Gain a greater understanding of what effective pastoral care is and isn't. Learn some basic skills and increase your confidence in walking beside people in the light of Christ every day.
Biography:	Paul grew up in country NSW, spent some time flying around in aeroplanes, studied at SMBC and has been the Coordinator – RHH Chaplaincy Services for the Royal Hobart Hospital and Chaplain to the Whittle Ward (palliative Care Ward) since 2010, having been the coordinator of Chaplaincy at Liverpool hospital Sydney prior to this. He has a wealth of experience in Pastoral Care, and is a trainer in Pastoral Care, Chaplaincy and CPE. Paul is an Acting Level 2 Clinical Pastoral Supervisor and currently serves as a committee member with Spiritual Care Australia (Tasmania) and southern regional coordinator (and state committee member) of the Tasmanian Council of Churches Emergency Ministries.

Workshop A5	Title: Ageing in Body, not in Soul - Encouraging mature age disciples in their mission and ministry Presenter: Dennis Quinn
Outline:	One area that provides room for continuing growth in the senior years is the spiritual domain. The body may slow down, but the spirit is still active and capable of growth, renewal, and serving in Ministry. In this session, we will explore how to tap into the rich untapped resource of senior congregation members. As well as equipping seniors for ministry, and mission and ministry options embracing mature ministry.
Biography:	Dennis is an Associate Minister at St Marks Bellerive; he currently ministers at three aged care facilities and co-ordinates Pastoral Care activity across a 300 strong congregation. Dennis is passionate that we value the benefits of growing older, that is, the wisdom and insight each person brings from their unique life journey. Dennis himself is an active retiree, and encourages active mission across all age groups and genders.

Workshop A6	Title: Sharing your Story Presenter: Bishop Richard Condie
Outline:	Each of us has a story to tell, of how God has changed our lives. Being confident in telling this story is a natural way to engage others in thinking about God. This will be a practical workshop where we work on our own stories, and opening up conversations to talk about God naturally.
Biography:	Bishop Richard Condie has spent most of his adult life active in ministry. He taught in a theological college before leading St Jude's Church in Carlton for 14 years. He became the 12th Bishop of Tasmania in March 2016. Bishop Richard is passionate about the bible and helping people grow as disciples of Jesus. He is married to Helen with two young adult children.

Workshop A7	Title: Intimacy and Power in Prayer Presenter: Jenny Pender (& Trish Stuart Smith)
Outline:	The power of prayer is not the result of the person praying or some magic formula. Rather, the power resides with God. The Bible is full of accounts describing the power of prayer in various situations. In this workshop we will look at what prayer really is, how we engage with God through prayer and growing in intimacy with God through prayer. As a result of this workshop you will walk away with some new tools and increased confidence to re-invigorate your prayer life.

Biography:	<p>Trish Stuart-Smith is a member of St Clements parish Kingston. Before coming to Tasmania Trish served as rector, or Priest in charge, of several parishes in the Canberra Goulburn Diocese. She is now Executive Director of The International Anglican Order of the Cross (TIAOC) and as part of that ministry Trish enables Adoration Houses of Prayer (AHOPs) or Prayer Stations to be established & encouraged in local areas. Trish has a passion for The Lord, for seeing people come into God's Kingdom and for Prayer. She is particularly interested in the power of praise and the place of being in God's presence leading to targeted God inspired intercession.</p> <p>Jennifer Pender is a lay member of the South Launceston parish. Before coming to Tasmania, she worked in the Dioceses of Carpentaria, Melbourne and Bunbury and taught in Queensland and Mozambique. Her postgraduate study in the University of Divinity centred on the Greek New Testament, and her research through the University of Melbourne focused on manuscripts written for the laity in fourteenth- century England to guide them in their life of prayer. Her current ministry is within the Bethany house of prayer in West Launceston</p>
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Workshop A8	Title: Raising up new leaders	Presenter: Stephen Carnaby
Outline:	How do you raise up and recruit new leaders to serve with you in your church/ministry? How do you make sure it doesn't all depend on you? How do you multiply your ministry so it grows beyond just you? What if it feels like there is no one else to raise up? If you are asking these sorts of questions, come to this workshop.	
Biography:	Stephen Carnaby starts in September as the Diocesan Director of Ministry Development, co-ordinating training and developing local churches. Before that he spent 17 years leading local churches in Bellerive, Sandy Bay and Burnie, where he raised up many leaders (lay and ordained). He is passionate about equipping people to serve God in Tasmania and beyond.	

Workshop A9	Title: Developing Small Groups	Presenter: Stephen Savage
Outline:	<p>Flourishing churches, whilst being each different, have a common feature incorporated into their DNA. It is that they value the importance of small groups. Small Groups are not just a new trendy idea for churches. In one form or another, they appear to be as old as the Christian church itself. Small groups provide for the nurture and growth of Christian disciples and they allow for close and regular contact between Christians at various stages of their faith walk. Small groups seek to make available, healthy environments in which the ministry of care, compassion, restoration and healing can be readily exercised. Through small groups members may find an equipping, encouraging, support base to be able to witness to the love of Christ in their work, home and social environment.</p> <p>Join us for this workshop, as we explore how to develop small groups and the significant role they can play in the life of your church.</p>	
Biography:	<p>Stephen has been the Rector of Edge Anglican in Claremont, since 2006. Married to Margaret and a former electrician, he studied at Ridley College and then entered a full time ordained ministry in December 1998. 'I have been in a small group of some sort, since becoming a Christian at the age of 8, and I cannot imagine a church growing without a small group network'. Stephen's desire is for the church to be equipped, empowered and released to do, and to be, all that Jesus has called us to be.</p>	

Workshop A10	Title: Engaging Storytelling	Presenter: James Oakley
Outline:	<p>Visitors with three small children have just walked in the church door, but there's nothing planned for the kids! Do we pull out the 1960s era colouring pages again? Or try to stick the torn out pages back into our fading Big Book of Bible Stories?</p> <p>How about connecting with them the way Jesus did: with well crafted, engaging stories that tell listeners part of God's big story? Come to this workshop to learn something of the skill of bible storytelling - an adaptable, interesting way to bring the bible to life for people of all ages. Whether you are in a small church with few children or involved in leading a huge children's ministry to hundreds, whether your ministry is inside the church walls or reaching out to unchurched people, or whether you're just trying to open the bible with your own children or grandchildren, this workshop will give you skills you can use.</p>	

Biography:	James worked for many years as a criminal defence lawyer with Legal Aid in Bendigo, Victoria. During this work, he was confronted by the lack of hope that so many of his clients struggled with - a hope that they could only find in Jesus. He has worked for the past 5 years in children's, youth and families ministry, wanting to share that hope with young people before they got into the criminal justice system. Much of James' work has been in exploring and pioneering ways to take the love of God and the good news about Jesus out of the church walls and into places where children and young people are.
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Workshop A11	Title: Generous Justice	Presenter: Margaret Savage
Outline:	<p>"Less well known is the Biblical teaching that a true experience of the grace of Jesus Christ inevitably motivates a man or woman to seek justice in the world."</p> <p>In His book <i>Generous Justice</i>, Timothy Keller demonstrates that the gospel and social justice go hand in hand, one flowing from the other. He reassesses key Bible verses that promote just practice and reveals that it is only through a profound experience of God's grace that we can truly be motivated to care for the poor.</p> <p>In this workshop, we will have a look at some of the key points Keller makes and challenge ourselves to look again at familiar Bible passages that show why and how Christians and the Church should be active in social justice.</p>	
Biography:	<p>Margaret is Anglicare's Parish Community Development Worker, a position that endeavours to link the work of the Diocese with the work of Anglicare, forging partnerships that reach out to a community in need.</p> <p>I grew up in Tasmania and have been part of the Anglican Church since before I can remember. I am married to Stephen who is rector at Edge and amazingly we have been in that Parish for 11 years, the longest we have ever been in one place.</p> <p>I believe in social justice and I have a passionate love for the church and Gods people. I really want to see us reaching out to the communities we live and work in, bringing hope to people and making a tangible difference in their lives.</p>	

Workshop A12	Title: Creative Engagement Strategies	Presenter: John Stanley
Outline:	<p>In an era of declining church attendance, how do you grow your church and advance your mission? Many churches seem to struggle with building a good reputation in their neighbourhood. But churches that are transformational are not waiting for the neighbours to come to them. Instead, they go out and meet the neighbours. They have abandoned the "come and see" model for the "go and be good news" model.</p> <p>In this session we will explore ways to be intentional in our engagement, inviting discipleship without sacrificing relationship, and by listening to our neighbourhood we'll identify gospel opportunities that will provide context for our witness. We will try out a variety of attainable engagement tools and equip you to strategically link your lifestyle to your church vision.</p>	
Biography:	<p>John Stanley is an evangelist who works in community; in family with Alison and their three boys, in churches in Hobart, Melbourne, Kings Cross and the US, as neighbour to the least the last and the lost.</p> <p>Through 29 years of ministry on the edges of the church John has seen how the church-as-community can transform the city around us. He lives in New Town with Alison and their dog Max.</p>	

Workshop A13	Title: Workship	Presenter: Kara Martin
Outline:	<p>How can workplaces be the 'next great missionfield of the church' (Billy Graham)? How can workplace Christians be prepared so that their faith flourishes at work? This workshop will explore how work can be a way of worshipping God. Take your faith to work and bring your faith to life.</p>	
Biography:	<p>Kara Martin is the author of a new book about Christian faith and work, "Workship: How to use your Work to Worship God". Kara Martin is Project Leader with Seed, Lecturer with Mary Andrews College, and was formerly Associate Dean of the Marketplace Institute at Ridley College in Melbourne. She has worked in media and communications, human resources, business analysis and policy development roles, in a variety of organisations, and as a consultant. Kara wrote this book as part of her lifelong passion to integrate faith and work, and equip workplace Christians. She believes that Christians can be a powerful force for Gospel transformation in the workplace, if biblically-aligned and affirmed in their ordinary work.</p>	

Workshop A14	Title: Exploring the challenges of rural ministry	Presenter: Ian Oates
Outline:	<p>Living on the land is hard these days and engaging in rural Christian ministry is hard. Can Christian community not just survive but thrive in such a climate? Let's talk about how things are and explore the challenges rural ministry is presenting us</p>	

Biography:	Ian has been engaged in missions for a large part of his adult life, both here in Australia and also cross-culturally. He has a passion for Jesus and seeing people coming to know Jesus. Ian is married to Fiona and has two adult children, Peter and Sarah
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Workshop A15	Title: Transformative Public Worship: An oxymoron? Or achievable possibility?	Presenter: Dane Courtney
Outline:	Churches all have their distinctive style and flavour. We face different opportunities and barriers, and we are set in different communities. But one feature we all have in common is 'public worship'. Do our services - in whatever form they take - make a difference to the lives of those who take part? How can we make them even better? We can't promise a 'magic bullet', but we will do some serious thinking about practical steps we can take in pursuing the aim of transformative public worship aimed at discipling.	
Biography:	Dane Courtney has been in ordained ministry for almost 30 years and has been Rector of 4 very different parishes - ranging in styles from 'contemporary young family oriented' through to 'very formal liturgical', and in quite different social settings. Having worked entirely in Sydney until this year, Dane become the Rector of Holy Trinity Launceston in May. He is also a member of the Anglican Church of Australia's Liturgy Commission. Dane and Bronwen have been married for 35 years and have three adult children.	

Workshop A16	Title: Evangelism is for Everyone!	Presenter: Helen Devenish
Outline:	How are people going to hear the Gospel? Isn't that just for evangelists? Who was the Great Commission for anyway? Surely that's for those gifted in evangelism and that's not me, is it? How can you share the Gospel in 1 minute, 5 minutes or more? When sharing the Gospel are you preaching the same Gospel as the apostles? Are you explaining Biblical terms in today's English without compromising the true meaning? Along the way you'll hear testimonies and stories of Helens journey into evangelism and of those she has reached with the message of the Gospel.	
Biography:	Helen Devenish is a wife, mother of nine children, evangelist and pastor. She lives with her husband David and family in Hobart, Tasmania, Australia. Together they pastor Church on the Rock and run a weekly youth night for the young people they meet through the street ministry. With their small team of helpers they have a passion to share the powerful message of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus with the lost, hurting and broken. Helen has studied her diploma in Ministry and Theology through Vision College. She has also written and runs a seminar called Fearless Evangelism for training Christians in evangelism	

Workshop A17	Title: Workplace Evangelism	Presenter: Wilbur Longbottom
Outline:	<p>The Christian in the workplace can feel pressure from both sides. On Sunday they are hearing the gospel of grace and the importance of evangelism. On Monday they perceive the pressure to keep their heads down, fit in and keep their faith to themselves.</p> <p>Is the answer to ignore the consequences and preach the gospel at all times? (Acts 4:8-12)</p> <p>Or should Christians keep their heads down and let their works invite opportunities to preach the word? (Matthew 5:16)</p> <p>In this workshop we will explore how prayer and peer-support will sometimes lead to fearless preaching and sometimes to quiet, diligent works - arising out of a sensitivity to context and giftings.</p>	
Biography:	<p>Wilbur is an elder and missions co-ordinator at Crossroads Presbyterian Church. Wilbur made the move into full time ministry this year and is Tasmanian State Director for City Bible Forum where he co-ordinates workplace outreach and evangelistic prayer teams. He was a founding member of the Pilgrim Hill Association and served for five years on the association committee as treasurer and then secretary. Previously he worked at Vodafone as an analyst and team leader and is passionate about using his experience of the corporate world to help other Christians to better navigate the workplace.</p> <p>Wilbur lives in Kingston with his wife Shiloh who is a graphic designer.</p>	