



January, 28, 2011

Greetings:

The 137th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada will be held in London, Ontario from June 5th to 11th on the campus of the University of Western Ontario. There will be many ways that people from the Presbytery of London will be able to participate in and volunteer with General Assembly.

These ways include:

- (a) Attending and volunteering with the Opening Worship Service to be held on Sunday, June 5, 2011 at 7:30 PM at Alumni Hall on the campus. We will need parking lot attendants, greeters, ushers, and elders to serve communion. We are planning a mass choir. We also need people to donate and serve refreshments after the Opening Worship Service. These refreshments will be served in a tent at Huron College;
- (b) Transporting commissioners to their residence, London Hall, from the London International Airport, the VIA rail station and the bus station. Once Assembly is over, people are needed to take people back to these places;
- (c) Volunteering at the registration desk, acting as a porter or a parking lot attendant, and serving at the local arrangements desk. We need to register a lot of people on Saturday and Sunday;
- (d) Being present at the local arrangements desk and around the campus in case of emergencies or when transportation may be necessary.

We also are encouraging congregations to show up early on Sunday morning to pick up commissioners who have arrived early for General Assembly to take them to Church, host them for lunch, and then bring them back home. Congregations should get started on ways to welcome these special visitors to Church that Sunday.

Many other activities are planned by the Local Arrangements Committee:

- (a) The Above mentioned Opening Worship Service;
- (b) Morning Worship Services;
- (c) The Monday Night Banquet at Great Hall
- (d) Special Wednesday night events;
- (e) An Art Exhibition at the McIntosh Gallery;
- (f) An Art Walk on Thursday night.

We have been working on ways to make General Assembly a wonderful experience for Commissioners, Church office staff, honoured guests, and visitors. In order to achieve our goals, volunteers are needed. A full list of volunteer opportunities is available from Mrs. Donna Robinson, volunteer coordinator. Please contact her at: bdrobinson@sympatico.ca. There will be updates regularly to this website.

We thank you for considering participation at General Assembly this year through your local arrangements committee.

Yours in Christ's Service,
Rev. Keith McKee
Convener