



# STIRRED NOT SHAKEN

FAITH ACTIVATED | II TIMOTHY 1:3-8

**CY2018** July 2-7, 2018

**BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ON**

## NEXT TRACK

A brand new track specially designed for congregational leadership! In keeping with the theme Stirred Not Shaken, the NEXT Track offers outstanding plenary presentations and unique workshops on the topic of Resiliency and Congregational Leadership.

The NEXT Track runs Thursday, July 5 (beginning with lunch) to Saturday, July 7 (ending at 4:30 p.m.) and will join the CY2018 for worship and recreation each evening. The registration fee of \$265.00 includes housing and meals. Brock University offers the NEXT Track a more independent housing option from the rest of the CY community.



### PLENARY SPEAKER

**REV. DR. ROSS LOCKHART** is Associate Professor at St. Andrew's Hall at The University of British Columbia. Ross is the Director of Denominational Formation at The Vancouver School of Theology where he teaches courses in Reformed Worship, Creeds and Confessions as well as Evangelism and Catechesis. He is the founding Director of The Centre for Missional Leadership at St. Andrew's Hall with experiments in church planting and New Monasticism. Ross also teaches Pastoral Care at Regent College. Ross is author of *Lessons from Laodicea: Missional Leadership in a Culture of Affluence* and his forthcoming work *Beyond Snakes and Shamrocks: St. Patrick's Missional Leadership Lessons for Today* will be published in 2018. Ross lives in North Vancouver with his wife Laura and their three children where he serves as Minister-in-Association at St. Andrew's/St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church.

### "Resiliency and Congregational Leadership"

Rev. Dr. Ross Lockhart  
St. Andrew's Hall, UBC

### NEXT Track Schedule

	Thursday, July 5	Friday, July 6	Saturday, July 7
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.		Breakfast	Breakfast
8:45 – 9:05 a.m.		The Zephyr Zone	The Zephyr Zone
9:15 – 11:30 a.m.		Plenary Session #2 – Speaking to Itchy Ears: Resiliency in congregational leadership	CY Worship
11 a.m. – Noon	Check-in at Brock U		11:30 Lunch & Plenary Session #3 – Don't Lose Your Lid: Resiliency in building the community Jesus intended
Noon – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch	Lunch	
1:15 – 2:45 p.m.	Plenary Session #1 – Open Season: Resiliency in a time of confusion	Workshop #2	Workshop #4
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Workshop #1	Workshop #3	Wrap-up & Goodbyes
4:30 p.m.	CY Responds Art, worship & recreation	CY Responds Art, worship & recreation	
5:30 – 7 p.m.	Supper	Supper	
7:30 p.m.	CY Worship	CY Worship	
9:15 p.m.	"Stirring Performances" The Talent at CY	CY Dance Party	

### Plenary Session #1 Open Season: Resiliency in a time of confusion

*Key Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:1 & 2*

As CY2018 participants explore Paul's advice to a young adult disciple in 2 Timothy 3:1-8, our NEXT Track will continue the conversation of "Stirred Not Shaken" by looking at the Apostle's advice of how to lead Christian communities in a time of change. As we move further into a post-Christendom Canada many continue to struggle with Christian witness in what can feel like an "open season" against those who hold the belief that Jesus is Lord. Together, we will narrate the steps of how we got here and what our next most faithful step might look like as Presbyterians in Canada.

### Plenary Session #2 Speaking to Itchy Ears: Resiliency in congregational leadership

*Key Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:3 & 4*

Paul gives Timothy the charge to preach the Word no matter what the season, but the reality is that many will wander off to find self-help gurus who say exactly what they want to hear. What to do and say in a culture that no longer sees Scripture as authoritative or the role of the church essential in human flourishing? How do we read culture, exegete our neighbourhoods and translate the gospel into our local context without reducing or trimming it to suit personal preferences?

### Plenary Session #3 Don't Lose Your Lid: Resiliency in building the community Jesus intended

*Key Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:5*

Without a vision, the people perish. Scripture is clear. So what's the vision for your local church? So how Sessions and other leaders help build the life of the witnessing community in service of God and neighbour? Paul gives Timothy a clear vision in this passage: keep your lid on, perseverance and patience are required in spades, the work of evangelism is at your doorstep so get busy with the calling God has given you. God's mission has a church and your local congregation is playing a vital role in God's unstoppable plan of redemption and reconciliation for this world Christ died to save.

# NEXT TRACK WORKSHOPS

YOU MAY CHOOSE ONE WORKSHOP PER TIME SLOT

## We are offering a 3-part workshop series “Adapt or Bust”. You may sign up for all three sessions or just one or two.

Jesus didn't invite us into a stable institution; He invited us into a living and dynamic faith that calls for a radical openness to change. The younger generation has learned that uncertainty is filled with possibility and has used this awareness to build deeper connections and strengthen communities. This series of workshops explores how welcoming the new by adapting our approaches to ministry, worship, and inclusion creates vitality from the changes we once feared.

### WORKSHOP #1: THURSDAY, JULY 5 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

#### NT–TH00A1 ADAPT OR BUST – PART 1 Why Children Aren't the Future of the Church

*“If we only had kids on Sunday mornings...”*

How often have you heard this lament? We often lift up children and youth as the keys to a better future, seeing them as the saving grace to the problems of today. This focus on the future causes us to turn away from the present needs of the church and the present needs of the child. In this workshop, we will examine the benefits of moving beyond generational divisions and hierarchy to create a healthy and inclusive faith community.

#### NT–TH00B MOTIVATING THE MASSES

*What stirs your congregation?*

Churches get stirred up about many things, but sometimes unhelpful stirrings lead congregations away from God's plan instead of towards it. In this workshop, you will learn how your leadership team can motivate your congregation to act on the stirrings of the Holy Spirit instead of those of insecurity, fear and self-preservation.

### WORKSHOP #2: FRIDAY, JULY 6 1:15 P.M. – 2:45 P.M.

#### NT–FR00A2 ADAPT OR BUST – PART 2 Why Contemporary Music Isn't the Solution

*“If we only had a worship band, more young people would come...”*

Churches often look for band-aid solutions to low attendance at worship rather than examining the worshipper's holistic experience. We hope that, if we get a screen, change the music or get an edgy youth pastor, people will flock to worship...and then they don't. In this workshop, we will look at the deeper factors that create space for people to truly worship God and keep them coming back.

#### NT–FR00B BUILDING UP FROM WITHIN

*Take a moment to imagine what would happen if your church had all the resources necessary to build the Kingdom of God and transform the lives of people in big, unbelievable and amazing ways.*

Well...the good news is that you do! In 2 Timothy 1:5, we are encouraged to “rekindle the gift of God that is within [us].” In this workshop, you will learn how to discover, nurture, and “rekindle” gifts within your congregation to do more than you ever imagined and tackle challenges that you were beginning to think had no solution.

1:15 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

#### NT–FR00C LEADING THROUGH STRESS & RISK

*Isn't stress bad for congregations? Isn't it unwise for churches to take risks in this era of decline?*

Effective congregational leadership in this day and age involves both STRESS and RISK. Churches that know how to work with these realities, rather than hide from them, are more resilient and more likely to grow in vitality. In the first part of this workshop, you will learn how to promote the emotional health of your congregation as a whole by working with the stress in the system. In the second part, you will learn how to support productive risk-taking in your congregation through adaptive leadership. Overall, this workshop is about transforming stress and risk from points of tension in your congregations to springboards for progress and change.

### WORKSHOP #3: FRIDAY, JULY 6 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

#### NT–FR00D LIVING OUT YOUR VISION

*Have you heard the joke about the guy who prayed to God to help him win the lottery? He felt lost and forsaken because he didn't win, so he prayed to God again. And God said, “Next time, buy a ticket.”*

After discerning a vision, many congregations feel disappointed that the vision isn't becoming a reality. Just like the man in the joke, we often fail to create the conditions necessary for God to work with us in moving the vision forward. In this workshop, you will learn how to guide your congregation in crafting a practical plan for living out your vision.

#### NT–FR00E ROOTED IN GOD OR GUMPTION?

*Unshaken, adjective: steadfast and unwavering; not weakened; not disturbed from a firm position.*

Ministries that are unshakable are rooted in God. When we lose sight of this and start relying on our own gumption, our ministries easily become unstable. In this workshop, we will discuss inspiring, sustainable and life-giving ways to keep God at the center of our ministries.

### WORKSHOP #4: SATURDAY, JULY 7 1:30 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

#### NT–ST00A3 ADAPT OR BUST – PART 3 Why We Shouldn't Minister to Millennials

*“If only we offered a youth-focused program, young people would be engaged in the church.”*

Programs and events that minister to young adults often miss out on the opportunities that could be gained from ministering with them. Millennials are known for their flexibility, love of innovation, collaborative work ethic, strong cultural intelligence, and desire to make a meaningful difference in the world. In this workshop, you will learn how engage young adults, from within your congregation and the larger community, in mission and ministry in a collective, collaborative and inclusive way.

#### NT–ST00F UNSHAKABLE TEAMS

*“Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.” –1 Peter 4:10*

Christians are called to serve one another; yet, as anyone who has volunteered or worked in a church will tell you, we often fall short of that ideal when it comes to ministry team dynamics. In this workshop, we will discuss how to build a healthy ministry team and provide practical tools for establishing clear expectations together and handling conflict when it arises.

**CY2018** Register at [presbyterian.ca/canada-youth-2018](http://presbyterian.ca/canada-youth-2018)

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