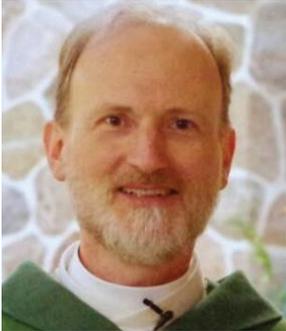


# KAIROS Palestine Israel Delegation – Delegates Bios



## **The Rev. Andreas Thiel**

Ordained in 2010, the Rev. Andreas Thiel currently serves as Rector of St. Matthew's Anglican Church in Windsor, Ontario. In 2018 Andreas oversaw the creation of an ESL program at St. Matthew's for newcomers to Canada from China. In addition to Parish responsibilities, Rev. Andreas offers pastoral

care in his role as Chaplain to residents and staff at Windsor's Huron Lodge (Long Term Care facility). A past member of the Diocese of Huron Anglican Fellowship of Prayer, Andreas has been a retreat leader and facilitator for post-ordination training. He currently serves on the PWRDF-Huron Committee.



## **The Rev. Mary Helen Smith**

Rev. Helen Smith is a graduate of Knox College, Toronto. She has served congregations in Alberta (Edmonton and Calgary), and Ontario (Chatham and Thornhill). She served at Evangel Hall, an inner-city mission of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in downtown Toronto and as the minister on staff at Calgary Urban Projects

Society. For the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Helen has served on the Justice Ministries Advisory Committee, and the Life and Mission Agency Committee. Ecumenically she has served on the Caribbean and North American Area Council of the World Communion of Reformed Churches and on the Working Group for Affordable Housing, and KAIROS.



## **Father Paul E. Hansen**

Paul Hansen is an ordained Roman Catholic priest of the Redemptorist Congregation, with a life-long commitment to faith for justice, peace and the integrity of creation. Paul directs his Order's justice commitment in Canada and serves as the Director of the Redemptorist Biblical Justice Consultancy.

He is a member of the Social Affairs Commission of the Ontario Bishops as well as President of the Canadian Alternative Investment Foundation (CAIF). Paul has a long history with the Canadian ecumenical justice coalitions and has served as a past member and Chair of the Board of KAIROS.



## **The Rev. Susan Johnson**

The Rev. Susan C. Johnson is the National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC), a role she has held since 2007. Bishop Johnson is actively engaged

on behalf of her church in many justice issues as well as in pursuing ecumenical and interfaith relations. The ELCIC is a partner of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land.



### **Lori Ransom**

Lori Ransom is Reconciliation and Indigenous Justice Animator, Indigenous Ministries and Justice, United Church of Canada. She is a member of the Algonquins of Pikwàkanagàn First Nation. She was appointed as the first Healing and Reconciliation Program Animator for The Presbyterian Church in Canada (PCC) and later as Senior Advisor, Church and Interfaith Relations, for the Truth and Reconciliation

Commission of Canada. Lori has also had a number of leadership positions at the federal government department of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada. She currently serves on the Trustee Board of the PCC, as an ecumenical member of the Canadian Indigenous Ministries Advisory Committee of the Christian Reformed Church of North America, and on the Aboriginal Education Council of Centennial College, Scarborough.



### **The Rev. Rosalyn Kantlaht'an Elm**

The Rev. Rosalyn Kantlaht'ant Elm is the first Indigenous woman ordained in the Anglican church's Diocese of Huron, which covers most of Southwestern Ontario. She is priest for the Parish of the Six Nations, as well as chaplain to Her Majesty's Royal Chapel of the Mohawks, in addition to being Assistant Chaplain at Renison University College and the Diocese of Huron Reconciliation Animator.

mother, an elected band official and a teacher of the Oneida language and has served on various committees as well as the Synod of the diocese. Elm's late father Leslie was an elected band official and also served as Synod delegate. They are descended from the Elm Williams family that donated land for the Anglican church on the Oneida settlement in the 1800s. Ros helped facilitate qtopc (queer and trans people of colour) on campus, along with speaking on numerous occasions about Indigenous history, theology culture from a Haundensaunee perspective.

Ros is from the Oneida First Nation and has deep roots in both Aboriginal and Anglican life. Her mother Olive is a hereditary clan



### **Lana Robinson**

Lana Robinson serves as the Clerk of the Canadian Friends Service Committee of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). She has served as an intern for the Quakers, both at the UN in Geneva, and with the Quaker International Affairs Program in Ottawa. Lana was born and raised on Vancouver Island; lived in the Peace River region of

Northern Alberta, Saskatchewan, Norman Wells in NWT as well as Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver before returning to Vancouver Island, and the Cowichan Valley. Currently, she manages a storage facility in Duncan BC. Lana also has history with the ecumenical social justice coalitions, serving as a regional representative on the Board of Ten Days for Global Justice.



### **Jennifer Henry**

Jennifer Henry currently serves as the Executive Director of KAIROS: Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives. She has worked in ecumenical social justice for over 25 years, beginning in 1993 when she joined the Ecumenical Coalition for Economic Justice (ECEJ). Raised in Treaty 1 territory in Winnipeg, Jennifer's settler ancestors include those arriving on Turtle

Island in the early 1600's. She had the honour of being an ecumenical witness at six of the seven national events of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and served on the Primate's Commission on the Doctrine of Discovery, Reconciliation and Justice from 2013-2019. Jennifer has a Masters of Social Work and a Masters in Theological Studies from the University of Toronto.