

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FORUM

Saturday, October 31, 2015 8:15 a.m. – 3 p.m.

at First United Church of Christ

207 West Horah St., Salisbury, North Carolina



Sponsored by the Western North Carolina Association

Of the Southern Conference, United Church of Christ

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: Monday, October 26, 2015

Dear Pastors, Clergy, and Laity of the Western North Carolina Association,

Greetings! The Western North Carolina Association (WNCA) is sponsoring a Domestic Violence Forum on Saturday, October 31 at First United Church of Christ, 207 West Horah St., in Salisbury, NC from 8:45 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Registration and check-in begins at 8:15 a.m. Coffee, juice and donuts will be provided. A brief devotional period and greetings will be held at 8:45 a.m. The workshop portion of the forum will begin at 9 a.m.

The workshop promotes educational awareness and addresses the issue of domestic violence. In the morning session, **Rev. Dr. Sharon Ellis Davis** and **Rev. K. Ray Hill**, the workshop presenters, will identify the problem and the dynamics of domestic violence.

The afternoon session features resource representatives who participate in a panel discussion and share their expertise on the issue. A question and answer period follows the panel discussion.

According to the Center for Disease Control, domestic violence is a serious public health problem in the U.S. from infants to the elderly, and affects people in all stages of life. The Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ and its three Associations are taking an active stance in addressing this issue.

We support our Southern Conference Minister, Rev. Dr. Edward Davis, and his vision of moving toward being a mission-minded, justice-hearted conference. The domestic violence initiative is one of many justice issues that our church is obligated to address.

Please mail your registration form to the WNCA office at P.O. Box 4265, Salisbury, NC 28145

or call the office (704-633-3191) by Monday, October 26, 2015.

There will not be a registration fee for this event. However, those who plan to attend are strongly encouraged to register in advance as lunch will be provided for them. We cannot guarantee lunch for walk-in registrants.

Please support this special event as we learn, grow, and work together! Your participation is most appreciated.

REGISTRANT: (ONE form for EACH person attending)

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

Church Name: _____ Location: _____

Forum Information is posted on our website at www.wnca-soc.org and on our Facebook group "Western North Carolina Association" and on the Southern Conference website at www.soc-ucc.org

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For additional information email the WNCA office at: wnca-socoffice@fibrant.com or call: (704) 633-3191

The First United Church of Christ in Salisbury website is at: <http://1stucc.org>