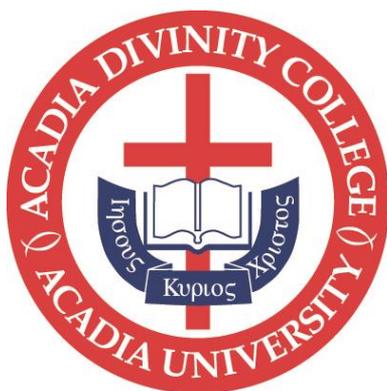


ACADIA

DIVINITY COLLEGE



**Establishing Scholarships in honour of
Dr. Keith Churchill and Dr. Dennis Veinotte**

Clark Commons, Acadia University
Wolfville, Nova Scotia

Thursday, October 11, 2018
12 noon

Scholarships

G. Keith Churchill Scholarship of Worship

Income from a trust fund established by David and Faye Huestis of Saint John, New Brunswick, in recognition of the outstanding church leadership of Rev. Dr. G. Keith Churchill.

First preference to a student who shows evidence of understanding the theology, history, and conduct of worship in its traditional and contemporary forms. Recipients shall demonstrate aptitude, potential, and financial need.



Dennis M. Veinotte Scholarship of Pastoral Counselling and Hospital Chaplaincy

Income from a trust fund established by David and Faye Huestis of Saint John, New Brunswick, in recognition of the exceptional pastoral care and counselling ministry of Rev. Dr. Dennis M. Veinotte.

First preference to a student who shows evidence of commitment to the ministry of pastoral counselling or chaplaincy. Recipients shall demonstrate aptitude, potential, and financial need.

Program

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Rev. Dr. Harry G. Gardner, President, Acadia '77

Table Grace

Rev. Edward (Ted) Britten, Acadia '61, '64

Buffet Lunch

Welcome to David (Acadia '63) and Faye Huestis

Thomas J. Rice, ADC Board of Trustees, Acadia '79

Greetings and Purpose of Scholarships

David Huestis

Remembering Rev. Dr. G. Keith Churchill, Acadia '61

David Huestis

Rev. Dr. Carol Anne Janzen, Acadia '71, '95

Response Joan Churchill

Appreciation Faye Huestis

Special Musical Selection: *Be Thou My Vision*

Barry Snodgrass, Saint John, New Brunswick

Accompanist Anne Huestis Scott, Acadia '67

Remembering Rev. Dr. Dennis M. Veinotte, Acadia '59, '62, '80

David Huestis

George Lohnes, Q.C.

Response Connie Veinotte

Appreciation Faye Huestis

Special Musical Selection: *Psalm 23*

Barry Snodgrass

Accompanist Anne Huestis Scott

Closing Remarks

David and Faye Huestis

Rev. Dr. Harry G. Gardner, President

Gordon “Keith” Churchill (1939-2013)

Acadia '61



Gordon “Keith” Churchill, the son of Rev. Ernest and Blanche Churchill, was born in Sydney, Nova Scotia. During his early days of schooling, in Digby, he showed a keen interest in student affairs, which continued while at Acadia University where he served as the student council president.

After graduating from Acadia in 1961 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in math, Keith felt called to pastoral ministry. He served as a student pastor in the Nova Scotia communities of Port Bickerton and Spryfield and went on to study at Union Theological Seminary in New York.

After graduating in 1964, Keith returned to the Maritime Provinces where he accepted the position of Associate Pastor at First Baptist Church in Amherst, Nova Scotia, and later the position of Senior Pastor at Lancaster Baptist Church, in Saint John, New Brunswick. In 1968, he married Joan Neily, from North Kingston, Nova Scotia, and two years later in 1970, Keith and Joan welcomed their son, Jeffrey. Their family later grew to include a daughter-in-law, Devony, and two grandchildren, Hayden and Callum.

After ministering in the Maritimes for several years, Keith began pastoring in Western Canada. Over the years, he served at First Baptist Lethbridge, Alberta, West Point Grey Baptist, Vancouver, British Columbia, and Trinity Baptist, Sherwood Park, Alberta, and, while still in ministry, also completed doctoral studies with San Francisco Theological Seminary. In 1995, Keith became Area Minister for the Baptist Union of Western Canada, an area that stretched from the Arctic Circle to the northern border of the United States.

After retirement, Keith served in interim ministry roles in British Columbia, Alberta, and Ontario, as well as in Nova Scotia. After he and Joan settled in Greenwich, NS, they became very active members of the Port Williams United Baptist Church and Keith served as the president of the Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council.

Although, Keith's primary calling was to serve the needs of the local church, his other passions took him farther afield. His interests were vast, but they all showed his care and love for others as God's children. He participated in civil right demonstrations, visited Africa and India to further witness mission around the world, and spent time building houses in Nicaragua.

Sadly, on December 7, 2013, Keith passed away quietly in his home after a two-year battle with Lymphoma.

Rev. Dr. Churchill was a gentle man, thoughtful in his work. His ministry enriched many in the faith with love that was genuine, while also offering vibrant and effective leadership. He inspired generations of Baptists with his love, compassion, dignity, and leadership.

Dennis Maynard Veinotte (1937-2012)

Acadia '59, '62, '80



Dennis Maynard Veinotte was called to serve God in pastoral ministry early in life. Born in Cross Roads Country Harbour, Nova Scotia, to Maynard and Annie Veinotte, as a young man he served in several summer pastorates in the Atlantic Provinces.

Dennis was educated at Acadia University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts (1959) and his Bachelor of Divinity (1962). Following his ordination in 1962, he ministered in Nova Scotia Baptist Churches in Gaspereau, Kentville, Windsor, Dartmouth, and Pereaux, as well as in Saint John, New Brunswick. While in Saint John, Dennis answered the call to serve as Chaplain in the city's hospitals and subsequently as Chaplain with Correctional Service Canada in the Springhill Institution, Springhill, Nova Scotia

In 1965, Dennis married Constance "Connie" Barteaux. He was devoted to Connie, and to their two children; daughter, Lori-ann, and son, Paul; and later to their spouses, Nicole and Michael and grandchildren Grace, Mason and Luke.

Dennis was greatly influenced by his mentor, Dr. Charles Taylor, and devoted his life's work to pastoral care and counselling. He shared Dr. Taylor's view that in order to be in ministry, one must be qualified and proficient to the best of his ability. In addition to Master of Theology degree (Acadia '80) and a Doctor of Ministry (Andover Newton Theological School '85) degree, Dennis received accreditation from the Canadian Association of Pastoral Care and Education, now the Canadian Association for Spiritual Care, and was certified as a teaching supervisor in both Clinical Pastoral Education and Pastoral Counselling Education. He was also a certified counsellor with the Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association and the Nova Scotia Association of Counselling Therapists. Dennis shared his skills and knowledge freely with others in ministry through his classes at the Divinity School, his writings and workshops on pastoral care and counselling, communication skills, marriage counselling, grief and end-of-life issues.

Dennis also played a leadership role in advancing pastoral counselling in Canada. He served on Boards and Committees at the regional and national levels with the Canadian Association of Pastoral Practise and Education and the Institute of Pastoral Training. Dennis was instrumental in founding the Valley Pastoral Counselling Services Association, serving as director and counsellor.

In 1984, Dennis succeeded Dr. Charles Taylor as Professor of Clinical Pastoral Education at Acadia Divinity College and held the position of Director until his retirement in 2001.

Sadly, on March 15, 2012, Dennis passed away at the Valley Regional Hospital in Kentville following a lengthy illness which he bore with great perseverance.

Dennis was well respected as a strong and effective leader in each area of his ministry. However, it was his generosity to those in need and the sharing of his gifts as a counsellor where he made his greatest impact. In his quiet and unassuming manner, he gave of his time and shared wise counsel with many individuals from all walks of life, as well as with the church, friends and family.

David Berton Huestis & Faye Cameron Huestis

David Berton Huestis was born in Saint John, New Brunswick, the son of Berton and Grace Huestis. In 1966, after completing his post-secondary education at Acadia University and Dalhousie University, David returned home to make sure a certain nurse he had his eye on didn't slip away. While home, he joined his uncle in a small brokerage out of his house. After just a year and a half in the business, David purchased his first two brokerages – and has not stopped growing since.

Faye Cameron Huestis (née Lebens) was born in Saint John, New Brunswick, the daughter of Kathaleen and Norton Lebens. During her childhood, her family lived in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and New Brunswick. She is a graduate of the Saint John General Hospital School of Nursing, where she continued to teach for five years following graduation.

Today, Faye and David live in Saint John, and David continues to serve as the Owner and Chief Executive Officer of the Huestis Insurance Group, the largest Independent Insurance Brokerage in Atlantic Canada, operating over 40 insurance agencies in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island. Together, they have three children: Paul (partner Paulette Nickerson), who works with Hub International; Peter (married to wife, Betsy), Headmaster of a private school in Georgia; and, Jennifer, who works in the family business. In their spare time, they visit their two grandsons, Xavier and Oliver, in Georgia and enjoy time at their second home in Rockport, Maine.

Over the years, they have faithfully served hospital boards, as well as many church and community organizations. Currently, David chairs the Audit Committee of the World Scout Foundation.

Both David and Faye have been recognized for their exemplary contributions to their community, both receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002. In 2011, David was awarded the 330th Bronze Wolf Award, World Scouting's Highest Award, for his outstanding international services to the Scout Movement, and in 2012, he received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.