

# **Rev. Dr. Katherine (Kathy) Edmison**

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## **Education**

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**Doctor of Ministry** (October 2002) St. Stephen's Theological College, University of Alberta

**Master of Divinity** (April 1992) Queen's Theological College, Queen's University

**Certificate – Health Care Administration – Long Term Care** (August 1988)  
College of Commerce, University of Saskatchewan

**Bachelor of Arts (Music)** (October 1977) Brock University

### **Canadian Association for Spiritual Care (CASC) Training and Qualifications**

Certified Teaching Supervisor (CPE) (October 2012)

Certified Specialist, Spiritual Care (April 2008)

### **Other Training and Qualifications**

- “Being with Dying” – Compassionate End of Life Training  
Upaya Zen Center, Santa Fe, New Mexico March 2007
- Association for Psychological Type, Kansas City, Missouri  
Certified to Administer Myers-Briggs Personality Type Indicator, February 1993

## **Experience**

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### **Ministry**

Wooler United Church, Wooler, Ontario  
September 2012 to present (pulpit supply contract)

Fairlawn Avenue United Church, Toronto, Ontario  
September and October 2010 (supply ministry contract)

Eastside United Church, Regina, Saskatchewan  
October 1996 to July 2002

Maymont Larger Parish of The United Church of Canada, Saskatchewan  
July 1992 to July 1994

- Provided pastoral care, spiritual counselling, and worship leadership for various congregations in rural, urban, and new church development settings
- Offered spiritual leadership for congregational development and redevelopment, drawing on the resources and wisdom within the congregation and the wider church

## **Chaplaincy**

Bridgepoint Hospital, Toronto, Ontario  
November 2010 to present (full-time temporary contract and casual)

Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Toronto, Ontario  
July 2005 to September 2009

Roberta Place Nursing Home, Barrie, Ontario  
October 2003 to June 2005 (part-time contract)

Canadian Armed Forces, CFB Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan  
July 1994 to August 1996 (retired)

- Offered multi-faith spiritual and religious care in a variety of hospital settings including acute care, chronic, complex continuing care, palliative, rehabilitation, and long-term care, as well as for military members and their families posted to CFB Moose Jaw
- Provided emotional support and active listening for people facing life-changing crises
- Promoted wholeness and well-being through the development and integration of an individual's own spiritual resources
- Functioned as an integral member of various teams in collaboration with multidisciplinary professionals
- Supported the training and advancement of hospital chaplains by providing clinical/professional mentorship and direct clinical supervision

## **Teaching**

Faculty, Interprofessional Psychosocial Oncology Distance Education (IPODE) Project

- Teaching Graduate Credit and Continuing Education programs in an online environment with students from a variety of health professions from January 2008 – present
- Developed a curriculum module “Spiritual Care with Families in Oncology and Palliative Care” for Graduate Credit program first offered in September 2009

Clinical Pastoral Education (CAPPE/CASC) Leadership

- Provided educational leadership and supervision for Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) programs in Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Bridgepoint Hospital, Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre, and St. Joseph's Care Group (Thunder Bay)
- Developed CPE program with Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre and St. Joseph's Care Group (Thunder Bay) for delivery May to July 2012
- Mentor hospital chaplains applying for advanced standing and professional certification with CASC

Military Chaplains' Trauma Resiliency Training Program  
Sunnybrook HSC January 2007 – March 2009

- Developed curriculum and delivered program for military chaplains preparing to serve in Afghanistan

Conference and Other Speaking Engagements

- Delivered lectures and talks on a variety of topics related to spiritual care, grief, death, and dying in various settings including hospitals, churches, and funeral homes

## **Consulting**

Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care, Toronto and GTA  
December 2012 to present (contract)

Simcoe Presbytery of The United Church of Canada, Barrie, Ontario  
June 2003 to June 2005 (full-time 2-year contract)

- Conducted local research to support development
- Provided spiritual guidance for senior institutional leadership
- Prepared extensive reports presenting research findings and recommendations

## **Achievements and Professional Memberships**

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### **Publication of Book – 2004**

“Growing a Healing Ministry: A Resource for Congregations & Communities”  
Published by Wood Lake Books, ISBN 1-55145-508-0

### **Academic Scholarships**

2007 (Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre)

- Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre (CESF) Discretionary Award

1990 – 1992 (Queen’s Theological College)

- Mylks Postgraduate Fellowship Award – Queen's Top Graduate (1992).
- Alice Pierce Waddington Scholarship – Queen's top student in 2nd year (1991).
- The Rev. H.J. Miller Scholarship – Queen's top student in 1st year (1990).

### **Commander's Commendation – 1986 (Canadian Forces Base Montreal)**

For outstanding contributions to the military community as editor of Base Newspaper

### **Commander's Commendation – 1983 (Canadian Forces Second Language Training)**

For outstanding achievement in second language (French) training

### **Professional and Association Memberships**

Ordained Minister, The United Church of Canada (UCC) 1992

Adjunct Faculty, Toronto School of Theology, University of Toronto

Faculty, Inter-professional Psychosocial Oncology Distance Education (IPODE) Program

Member, Canadian Association for Spiritual Care (CASC)

Member, CASC Supervisors of Ontario Central Northwest Region