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*Weaving Our Strengths* is a day-long conference of fellowship, inspiration, and skill-building to strengthen local churches’ efforts for the common good. Connect across denominations, share best practices, foster spiritually-grounded action, and bring insights and opportunities back to your home congregation.

The day includes worship, two sessions of workshops, a resource fair, a celebration of the Gertrude Apel Pioneering Spirit Awardees, and an opportunity to weave together what we’ve learned. Workshop themes include: Interfaith Dialogue & Approach to Scripture; Storytelling for Community Action; Immigrant & Refugee Accompaniment; “Habits of the Heart” for Healthy Conversations; Mental Illness & The Church; Racial Justice – through Scripture & in Congregations; Conflict & Reconciliation in Colombia; Church in the Neighborhood; Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery; and Creative Worship. Bring a group to take advantage of more workshop offerings, build shared capacity, and help implement new learnings.

Last year, **over 200 people** from **16 faith traditions**, and at least **60 congregations** gathered for this transformative day of learning, sharing, and fellowship. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to learn from each other, share information, and network.

More information and registration at <http://thechurchcouncil.ejoinme.org/WOS>.

$40 Early Bird rate through September 15 / $55 for Individuals / $25 Students
Group Rates are $175 for up to 5 people; and $275 for 6 – 10 people.
Scholarships available. No charge parking available. Coffee, tea, and snacks provided. Purchase lunch from the invited vendor, bring your own lunch, or eat out on Capitol Hill.

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