

**NORTHEAST JURISDICTION NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES
COMMITTEE (NEJNAMC)
2024 Annual Gathering**

The NEJNAMC Executive Committee is happy to announce an in-person-only gathering set for Friday, Oct. 25 – Sunday, Oct. 27 in Vineland, NJ hosted by the Eastern Pennsylvania and the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference CoNAMs.

OUR LOCATION: The annual meeting, to be held at St. John UMC, Bridgeton, NJ, on Nanticoke Lenni Lenape ancestral land, is the collaborative work of EPA and GNJ Annual Conference CoNAMs, arising from the growing partnership of the two conferences under the leadership of Bishop John Schol. The partnership of the two CoNAMs has resulted in the creation of a Land Acknowledgement and Welcome to open each Annual Conference session for the past several years. EPA CoNAM and GNJ CoNAM have focused on working together on differences and similarities and while doing so we have discovered that we are relatives. We do many things in common such as education and advocacy, addressing Native American issues through developing workshops and informational displays, sharing resources and addressing community needs such as hunger and nutrition.

QUESTIONS: Questions about the event may be directed to Breanne MacFarland, at Breanne.MacFarland@gmail.com.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 25, 2024.

SILENT AUCTION: Due to space, the NEJNAMC silent auction will not happen this year.

SERVICE PROJECT: In place of a Silent Auction, our Co-Hosts at St. John UMC have graciously invited us to share and help with their annual Winter Gear Giveaway which will be held on Saturday morning, October 26 during our Annual Meeting (time TBD). YOUR CoNAM is cordially encouraged to contribute to the Giveaway by sending new and gently worn coats, jackets, and boots for all family members; also hats (handmade are cherished), gloves, scarves, coat sweaters, and other winter gear. Lately at the request of our families, we also welcome blankets. We are particularly in need of children's coats and blankets. We will gratefully receive your donations on Friday afternoon/evening when you first arrive.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS: Philadelphia International Airport is located 45 minutes away from both of the hotel sites and Atlantic City International Airport is located 50 minutes away from both of the hotel sites. The William H. Gray 30th St. Train Station in Philadelphia services all Northeast Amtrak Train routes. Most national bus companies stop at or near the 30th St. Station. Lyft or Uber services are

easily available. EPA will be able to coordinate rides from Philadelphia, to Vineland.

HOTEL DETAILS: We have blocks of rooms reserved in Vineland, NJ at the Wingate by Wyndham and The Holiday Inn Express & Suites. There are 10 rooms available at each hotel. Both hotels provide complimentary breakfast, parking and WiFi. When making your reservation, specify that you are with the NEJ CoNAM United Methodist event. Reservations can be made by phone or online. After the reserved blocks of rooms are booked, those rates may not be available. You are responsible for reserving your own room and ensuring that all payments are made. The hotels will hold these rooms for us at this rate until September 25.

Wingate by Wyndham:

- Address: 2196 W. Landis Avenue, Vineland, NJ 08360
- Phone number: (856) 690-9900
- Beds: King bed is \$149/night and 2 doubles/queens are \$159/night
- Website: [Click here](#)

Holiday Inn Express:

- Address: 398 Smith Street, Vineland, NJ 08360
- Phone number: (856) 293-8888
- Beds: King bed is \$149/night and 2 doubles/queens are \$159/night
- Website: [Click here](#)
 - Enter dates of our event (October 25 to October 27)
 - Number of rooms and people
 - Go to rate preference, click on group rate, type in “UMB”
 - Click: view prices

MEALS: Friday dinner and Saturday lunch will be provided by EPA. Complimentary hot breakfasts are offered at the hotel each morning. Dinner is on your own Saturday evening with local options available.

***TENTATIVE AGENDA:**

Friday, October 25, 2024:

Registration at St. Johns

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| 5-6pm | Welcome, devotional, and hymn sing |
| 6-7pm | Dinner |
| 7-8:15pm | Hymn sing and Get-to-know-you Games |
| 8:15-8:30pm | Orange dance |
| 8:30pm | Return to hotel |

Saturday, October 26, 2024:

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| Check posted times | Breakfast at hotels |
| 9-9:15am | Devotion |

9:15-10:45am	Winter give-away: Service Project
10:45-11am	<i>Break</i>
11-12:30pm	Business Session #1
12:30-1:30pm	Lunch
1:30-2:15pm	EPA presentation
2:15-2:30pm	<i>Break</i>
2:30-5pm	Group activity: discussion of relationships with Indigenous peoples in your regional area
5-5:15pm	<i>Break</i>
5:15-6pm	GNJ presentation
6pm	Return to hotel, dinner on your own

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Check posted times	Breakfast at hotels and check-out
9-10:45am	Business Session #2
10:45-11am	<i>Break</i>
11-12pm	Worship with St. John's Church and congregation
12pm	Departure

*Agenda subject to change 😊

REGISTRATION

Deadline is September 25, 2024

Registration is online. Please [click here](#).

Registration fee is \$50/person and payment can be accepted in the form of Venmo or check.

- **Venmo:** @Breanne-MacFarland
- **Checks made out to NEJNAMC and mailed to:**

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Some financial assistance is available if needed, please contact Jennifer at jhkmicah6v8@gmail.com for details.