

For all Christian Ed Directors in Maine Episcopal Churches:

Emily Keniston is leading a new Learning Group

Begins: Sunday January 29 at 1:00 – 2:30 – online

Sponsored by Maine Episcopal Christian Ed Collaboration and Province One

IT'S FINALLY HAPPENING! Our online community of practice is beginning on January 29th with an online discussion. The first meeting is open to all- come and find out more! After January's meeting, the group will be closed to allow a more intimate community to develop, and we will spend the next year meeting once per month to discuss our ministries: our questions, our concerns, our joys...



Here is what you need to know:

**WHO:** The group is run by Emily Keniston and is open to all faith formation directors in the Diocese of Maine and Province One. Sunday school teachers and youth group leaders are also very welcome, but you will find that some content is specifically directed at program management.

**WHAT:** Faith Formation Connect is a new program designed to support faith formation practitioners in developing their practice and enhancing their experience of ministry. It is particularly aimed at supporting those who are new to faith formation ministry or new to their context, and will explore a variety of topics (selected via survey of participants) related to volunteer recruiting and management, curriculum writing/selection, working with rectors and vestries, developing a culture of intergenerational formation, setting boundaries and maintaining self care, and lots more.

**WHEN:** This group has two time components:

Online meetings will be 1 1/2 hours, once per month on the last Sunday of the month at 1 pm. Our first meeting is January 29 and it will be an open meeting for anyone interested in learning more about the group.

Additionally, Emily will share new topic content in the Facebook group once per month and we will engage in discussions throughout the month specifically related to that topic. Participants will choose how much time to invest in exploring the provided resources and participating in group discussion, and each person will find their own balance. Generally speaking, the more time invested in the group, the more fruitful the discussions will be.

**COST:** Free to people in the Episcopal Diocese of Maine

**HOW DO I REGISTER?** Sign up on the Province registration page: <http://tinyurl.com/jy5bf4w>

**LINKS:** After you register, Emily will email you the link to the online discussion. She will also post it on the new Facebook group [Faith Formation Connect](#) at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1650808958546538/>  
**Do you have questions?** Contact Emily Ainsworth Keniston on Facebook, or at [emilykeniston@yahoo.com](mailto:emilykeniston@yahoo.com)