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Jesus' Diner is

- a place where the weary find rest
- a place where all are welcome
- a place where there's always room for another

Jesus' Diner...

... is GLAD's theme for the Ft. Worth, TX, General Assembly, July 21-25, 2007.

Why Jesus' Diner?

"Share the Feast" is the theme of the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Building on that theme, the GLAD Alliance seeks to build Jesus' Diner.

At Jesus' Diner we challenge ourselves to participate in the inclusive Gospel, to embody Jesus' extravagant welcome to all persons.

At Jesus' Diner we seek to model that extravagant welcome to the whole church.

Plan on joining us as we build Jesus' Diner in Ft. Worth, TX, July 21-25.

Schedule of Events

Preparing the Feast:

GLAD Alliance Pre-Assembly Event
Saturday July 21
University Christian Church, Ft. Worth, TX

Sharing the Feast:

Jesus' Diner Booth in the Assembly Exhibit Hall
Open & Affirming Aftersession
Sunday July 22

Celebrating the Feast:

GLAD Alliance Banquet
Tuesday July 24
Renaissance Worthington Hotel, Ft. Worth, TX

More Information

Up-to-date information about Jesus' Diner will be posted at www.jesusdiner.org.

Human Rights Campaign Sponsors Clergy Call for Justice and Equality

On April 17, 2007 the Human Rights Campaign is gathering clergy from all 50 states in Washington, D.C., to help ensure the passage of the Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act and the Employment Non-Discrimination Act

Clergy will take part in a major rally on Capitol Hill followed by

lobby visits with members of Congress.

The Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act adds sexual orientation, gender, gender identity and disability to existing federal law regarding the authority of the federal government to investigate and prosecute crimes. The act would give law enforcement the tools they need to investigate and prosecute hate violence against lgbt women and men.

Also, currently in 33 states an individual can be fired for being

gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. The Employment Non-Discrimination Act would prohibit discrimination based on the actual or perceived sexual orientation and gender identity of an employee or applicant.

For more information about registration and financial assistance to attend see www.hrc.org/clergycall.

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OutFront Workshops Offered by The Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry

OutFront Workshops are designed to help progressive people of faith and their allies throughout the country become voices of authority and agents of societal change in the current heated debates surrounding homosexuality and religion by developing and/or increasing their expertise in matters of

sexuality and religion. A primary goal of these workshops is to enable LGBT people of faith themselves (and their allies) to counter those who use religious argumentation (often very effectively) to alienate and marginalize LGBT people within communities of faith and within society at large.

OutFront workshops are offered several times a year by The Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry of the Pacific School of Religion. For more information go to <http://www.clgs.org/>

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