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Lutherans met the Innu on the South Shore of Hudson Strait in Quebec in 1619. We continue to be blessed to live among many peoples indigenous to Quebec including the Abenakis, Algonquian, Attikameks, Crees, Huron Wendats, Innu, Inuit, Malécites, Micmacs, Mohawks and Naskapi. We Acknowledge the City of Montreal is the Traditional Territory of the Kanien'kehá:ka or Mohawk people, now home to many First Nations people.

We were shocked to learn of the hurts and the horrors of Indian residential schools (Sept-Îles, Mistassini Hostel, Federal Hostels at George River, Great Whale River, Payne Bay, and Port Harrison). We desire to be partners in reconciliation with the Survivors of these schools.

We continue to appreciate the hospitality of the First Nations that has been extended to us time and again. We desire to be in reconciled and Right Relationships with our neighbours in the Montreal Area, the province of Quebec and across Canada.

## Resources Available at

[lutheransynodseminary.com](http://lutheransynodseminary.com)

[http://lutheransynodseminary.com/2016\\_treaties\\_histories\\_of\\_the\\_land\\_and\\_peoples](http://lutheransynodseminary.com/2016_treaties_histories_of_the_land_and_peoples)

History of the Land and Peoples Resource for each congregation organized by Ministry Area

Interim Acknowledgement of Treaty Territory by Ministry Area

Reflection for 2016-2018 for use with Ministry Areas and Confederacy Neighbours

[http://lutheransynodseminary.com/my\\_life\\_indigenou\\_s\\_rights/mapping\\_lutherans\\_and\\_first\\_nations](http://lutheransynodseminary.com/my_life_indigenou_s_rights/mapping_lutherans_and_first_nations)

Ministry Area Maps with First Nation Contact Info Updated with Residential School Data

Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory by Ministry Area

### **Coming in 2017:**

500 Year timeline of ELCIC and First Nation History in Canada

## Montreal Ministry Area

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