

2016 Annual Conference WORKING Agenda
The Alabama-West Florida Conference
June 12 – 15, 2016
Frazer Memorial United Methodist Church, Montgomery, Alabama
“The Great Commission: SEND Disciples”

Sunday, June 12

- 1:00 p.m. Exhibits, Registration Set Up – Atrium
- 3:00 p.m. Registration Opens - Atrium
 Cokesbury Bookstore Opens
 Refreshments hosted by Blue Lake
 Alabama Rural Ministry (ARM) Snack Bar – Serverly
 Bishop and Appointive Cabinet Meeting –Parlor
 Tellers Orientation – Wesley Hall
 Church and Society - 3101
- 3:30 p.m. Assistant Secretary Orientation - Wesley Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Committee on Petitions and Resolutions- 7201
 Global Ministries - 3101
 Mass Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
- 4:30 p.m. Fellowship of Local and Associate Pastors Meeting 7207/7209
- 5:00 p.m. Bishop’s Dinner – 6102
 Memorial Luncheon Set Up - 8114
- 5:30 p.m. Board of Ordained Ministry Meeting - 6111
 Mass Choir Meal – Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Conference Registration Closes for the Day**
- 6:30 p.m. Mass Choir gathers - Sanctuary
- Opening Worship Processional Gathers in the Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. OPENING WORSHIP CELEBRATION – Sanctuary
 Greetings from Host Pastor: Rev. Tim Thompson
 Sermon: Bishop Gregory Palmer, Resident Bishop of the West Ohio Conference
 John 20:19-23; “The Recovery of Sentness”
 Music: Mass Choir
Conference Mission Offering: AWF Disaster Response and Recovery
- 8:30 p.m. Rehearsal for Ordination and Commissioning Service - Chapel
 Gathering of Pages, Youth Delegates staying at Huntingdon College -

Monday, June 13

- 7:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens (closes at 2:00 p.m.) – Atrium
 Experiential Prayer Room - East Sanctuary, Rm 4100
 Asbury Foundation Breakfast - 7102
- 8:00 a.m. Biometric Health Screening for Persons on Conference Health Plan (closes at 2 p.m.) - Cokesbury Room

Monday, June 13 (Cont.)

- 8:30 a.m. Clergy Executive Session – Fellowship Hall
Laity Session – Wesley Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Break – Preparation for Worship
- (Families of deceased clergy and clergy spouses gather in **Chapel**; members of annual conference are invited to come by to greet them prior to the memorial service. AWFC Cabinet and worship participants will gather in **Parlor**)*
- 10:30 a.m. ORDER OF THE DAY - Memorial Service and Holy Communion – Sanctuary
Liturgist: Rev. Pam Avery
Sermon: Rev. Rurel Ausley
- 12:00 p.m. General Lunch – Fellowship Hall
Bishop and Cabinet – Parlor
Memorial Service Luncheon -8114
Asbury Club Luncheon - 8110 N. Gym
Christian Educators Luncheon - 6107
Wesley Heirs Luncheon - Room 6102
Candler Club Luncheon - Room 6111
Duke Club Luncheon - 7203
- 1:30 p.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music - Robert McMichael and Jarvis Wilson
Hymn: *And Are We Yet Alive?* UMH #553
Opening Prayer _____
Welcome from the Host District Superintendent – Rev. Timothy R. Trent
- Opening Business and Organization of the Conference – Wesley Hall
Setting the “bar” of the Conference
Election of secretarial staff
Approval of the 2015 Conference Journal
Adoption of the 2016 Conference Working Agenda
Presentation of the 2016 Consent Agenda
Committee on Resolutions and Petitions (to lie on the table overnight) - Rev. Kathy Knight
Committee on Standing Rules (to lie on the table overnight) - Rev. Fred Zeigler
Committee on Nominations - Rev. David Saliba
Nominations for Quadrennial Boards
- Committee on Episcopacy – Paulette Thompson
- Board of Ordained Ministry – Rev. Libba Stinson
Recognition of Commissioning and Ordination classes
Recognition of First-Time Licensed Local Pastors
Recognition of Clergy in Extension Ministries and Appointments Beyond the Local Church
- (Retirees gather in **Parlor** by 2:30)*
- 3:15 p.m. ORDER OF THE DAY - Recognition of Retiring Clergy – Wesley Hall
Reception for Retiring Clergy
- Council on Finance and Administration Meeting - Rm 6107

*****NO MONDAY EVENING DINNER AT HOST CHURCH*****

Monday, June 13 (Cont.)

- 7:00 p.m. Service of Ordination and Commissioning – First United Methodist Church, Montgomery
(choral concert at 6:20 PM)
Sermon: Bishop Gregory Palmer, Resident Bishop of the West Ohio Conference
Ephesians 4:11-16; “Sent to Serve and Build Up”
Music: First United Methodist Church, Montgomery
Special Offering: Ministerial Education Fund
Reception – Fellowship Hall, First United Methodist Church, Montgomery

Tuesday, June 14

- 7:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens (closes at Noon) – Atrium
Experiential Prayer Room East Gym, Rm 4100
COSROW - 6111
Deacon Breakfast - 6102
Upper Room Prayer Line - United Methodist Men - 3131
334-495-6360 (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)
- 8:00 a.m. Biometric Health Screening for Persons on Conference Health Plan (closes at 2 p.m.) Cokesbury Room
- 8:00 a.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music: Robert McMichael and Jarvis Wilson
Opening Prayer _____

Report of the *Journal* Committee – Rev. Fred Zeigler

Action on Standing Rules – Rev. Fred Zeigler
Action on Resolutions and Petitions – Rev. Kathy Knight
- 8:30 a.m. Teaching Session: Dr. Kevin Watson, Candler School of Theology – Wesley Hall
‘No Holiness but Social Holiness’: The Theology and Practice of Wesleyan Small Group Formation
- 9:45 a.m. Break
- 10:00 a.m. Teaching Session: Dr. Kevin Watson, Candler School of Theology – Wesley Hall
Reclaiming the Wesleyan Class Meeting Here and Now
- 11:30 a.m. Connectional Ministries – Rev. Cory Smith
Clergy Spouses (active, retired, surviving) Gathering - 7202/04
- 12:00 Noon Clergy Spouses Luncheon Gathering – 7202/04
General Lunch – Fellowship Hall
Bishop and Cabinet – Parlor
Spiritual Formation - 7207/7209
Birmingham-Southern Luncheon - 6111
SBC 21 (Strengthening the Black Church) - 7208
Young Clergy Lunch - 6102
- 1:30 p.m. ORDER OF THE DAY
Gathering Music: Robert McMichael and Jarvis Wilson
Opening Prayer: _____

General Conference Report – Steve Furr and Rev. Lawson Bryan

Conference Board of Laity – Steve Furr

Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry – Rev. Rob Couch
Greetings: Dr. Edward F. Leonard III, President, Birmingham-Southern College
Dr. Cam West, President, Huntingdon College
Francis Asbury Award - Rev Rob Couch

Tuesday, June 14 (Cont.)

- 2:30 p.m. Break - sponsored by the United Methodist Children's Home
- 2:50 p.m. Gathering Music: Robert McMichael and Jarvis Wilson
- Special Awards and Recognitions
 Denman Evangelism Award – Division of Evangelism – Rev. Allen Newton
 Alice Lee Award – COSROW – Ruth Ann Powers
 Local Church Heritage Award – Commission on Archives and History – Rev. Pam Avery; Sharon Tucker
- Methodist Homes Corporation – Christopher Tomlin
- UMCH - Blake Horne
- AWF Special Presentations
 Imagine No Malaria Celebration
- Conference Announcements and Recess
- 5:00 p.m. Laity Banquet - Mary Ellen Bullard Address – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 15

No conference registration

- 7:00 a.m. Experiential Prayer Room, East Sanctuary, Rm 4100
- 8:00 a.m. Organization of Conference Boards and Agencies
 Administrative Review Committee - 7201
 Board of Congregational Development - 7203
 Board of Ordained Ministry - 7207/09
 Board of Laity - 7202
 Conference Board of Trustees - 7204
 Standing Rules Committee - 7206
- 8:30 a.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
 Gathering Music: Robert McMichael and Jarvis Wilson
 Opening Prayer _____
- Report of the *Journal* Committee – Rev. Fred Zeigler
- Action Item:* Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits – Rev. Bob McKibben
- Task Force on the Work of the Districts – Shirley Woodie
- Action Item:* Commission on Equitable Compensation – Rev. Matt Mobley
- Council on Finance and Administration – Beebe Frederick
Action Item: 2017 Conference Budget
 Statistician's Report – Frank Dunnewind
- Break
- Report of the Cabinet – Wesley Hall – Rev. Timothy Trent
 Change in Charge Lines
 Property Resolutions
- Closing Business of the Conference
 Where shall the 2017 session be held?
 Courtesies and Appreciation – Rev. Wesley Wachob

Wednesday, June 15 (Cont.)

11:00 a.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – Sending Forth Service – Fixing of the 2016 - 2017 Appointments - Wesley Hall
Gathering Music: Robert McMichael and Jarvis Wilson
Opening Prayer _____

Noon Adjournment *Sine Die*

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