

2020 Annual Conference Working Agenda
The Alabama-West Florida Conference
June 7-9, 2020
Theme: “Come to the Table” – Luke 24:35
Frazer Memorial United Methodist Church, Montgomery, Alabama

Sunday, June 7

- 2:00 p.m. Exhibits, Registration Set Up – Atrium
- 2:30 p.m. Church and Society – 3101
- 3:00 p.m. Conference Registration Opens – Atrium
Cokesbury Bookstore Opens
Alabama Rural Ministry (ARM) Snack Bar – Atrium
Appointive Cabinet Meeting – Parlor
UMCOR Supply Truck Opens (closes at 5:00) – Parking Lot
- 3:30 p.m. Tellers Orientation – Wesley Hall
Mass Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m. Committee on Petitions and Resolutions – 7201
Global Ministries – 3101
Board of Laity
Committee on Ethnic and Local Church Concerns
Fellowship of Local and Associate Members Meeting/Quadrennial Organization –
7207/7209
- 4:15 p.m. Assistant Secretaries Orientation - Wesley Hall
- 4:30 p.m. Bishop’s Dinner – 7204
- 5:00 p.m. Pages Orientation – Wesley Hall
Memorial Luncheon Set Up/COAH Meeting – 4100
Mass Choir Meal – Fellowship Hall
Board of Ordained Ministry Meeting – 6111
- 5:30 p.m. Conference Registration Closes
Mass Choir gathers – Sanctuary
Opening Worship Processional gathers – Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. OPENING WORSHIP CELEBRATION with Holy Communion – Sanctuary
Bishop David Graves – Episcopal Address
Conference Missional Offering – Disaster Response
- 7:30 p.m. Laity Session – Sanctuary

Clergy Session – Wesley Hall

Administrative Review Committee/Committee on Investigation-Quadrennial
Organizing – Wesley Hall

Monday, June 8

7:00 a.m. Biometric Health Screening (Fasting) for Persons on Conference Health Plan
(closes at 2:00 p.m.) – 3103/3105
Board of Laity Breakfast – 6102
Reconciling Ministry Friends – 6111

7:30 a.m. UMCOR Supply Truck Opens (closes at 12:30 p.m.) – Parking Lot

8:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens (closes at 2:00 p.m.) – Atrium

8:30 a.m. OPENING WORSHIP – Wesley Hall
Sermon: Celeste Eubanks
Commissioning of Deaconess

9:30 a.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music
Hymn: *And Are We Yet Alive*
Opening Prayer: (assigned by host ds)-district lay leader?

Welcome from the Host District Superintendent – Dr. Debora Bishop
Welcome from Chief Bird

Opening Business and Organization of the Conference – Wesley Hall
Setting the “bar” of the Conference
Election of secretarial staff
Approval of the 2019 Conference Journal
Adoption of the 2020 Conference Working Agenda
Presentation of the 2020 Consent Agenda

Committee on Standing Rules (to lay on the table overnight) – Shirley Woodie

Committee on Resolutions and Petitions (to lay on the table overnight) – Rev.
Christina Shaver

Committee on Nominations – Rev. Ashley Davis

10:00 a.m. Connectional Ministries Report

10:30 a.m. Laity Address – Beverly Maddox, Conference Lay Leader

United Methodist Men, Allen Dunham
United Methodist Women, Debbie Bell
Lay Servant Ministries, Judy Reiter

- 11:00 a.m. 2020 General Conference Delegation Report

Conference Announcements and Recess
- 12:00 p.m. General Lunch – Fellowship Hall
Memorial Service Luncheon – 4100
Asbury Club Luncheon – 8110 North Gym
Wesley Heirs Luncheon – 6102
Candler Club Luncheon – 6111
Duke Club Luncheon – 7203
Multicultural Ministries Luncheon – 7204
- 1:30 p.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – Memorial Service and Holy Communion – Sanctuary
Homily – Rev. Misty Barrett
- 3:00 p.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music
Opening Prayer: (assigned by host ds)

Board of Ordained Ministry – Rev. Jim Sanders
Recognition of Commissioning and Ordination classes
Recognition of First-Time Licensed Local Pastors
Recognition of Licensed Local Pastors who completed Course of Study
Recognition of Clergy in Extension Ministries and Appointments Beyond
the Local Church
- (Retirees and Wesley Heirs Representatives gather in Parlor by 3:15)*
- 4:00 p.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – Recognition of Retiring Clergy – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music
Opening Prayer: (assigned by host ds)
Receiving Line for Retiring Clergy – Atrium

Conference Announcements and Recess
- 5:00 p.m. CFA Investement Committee – 6105
- 7:00 p.m. Service of Ordination & Commissioning – Montgomery First United Methodist
Church (Choral Concert at 6:20 p.m.)
Sermon: Bishop Mike Watson
Music: Montgomery First United Methodist Church Choirs
Ministerial Education Fund Offering

Reception – Fellowship Hall, Montgomery First United Methodist Church

Tuesday, June 9

- 7:00 a.m. Sacred Space Prayer Room – Surge (7 a.m. - 5 p.m.)
COSROW – 6111
Deacon Breakfast – 6102
- 7:00 a.m. Biometric Health Screening (Fasting) for Persons on Conference Health Plan
(closes at 2:00 p.m.) – 3103/3105
- 8:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens (closes at Noon) – Atrium
- 8:30 a.m. Opening Worship with Holy Communion
Sermon: Rev. Michael Precht
- 9:30 a.m. CONFERENCE BUSINESS SESSION – Wesley Hall
Gathering Music:
Opening Prayer: (assigned by hosts)
- Report of the *Journal* Committee – Rev. Brennan Peacock
- Action* on Standing Rules – Shirley Woodie
- Action* on Resolutions and Petitions – Rev. Christina Shaver
- 10:00 a.m. Special Awards and Recognitions
- Local Church Heritage Award - COAH
One Matters Award – Town and Country Commission
Francis Asbury Award – BHECM
- Denman Evangelism Award – Division of Evangelism –
Rev. Larry Anderson
Alice Lee Award – COSROW – Ruth Ann Powers
Guardian of the Bell Award – UMCH, Blake Horne
- Bishop’s Scouting Award – Vaughn Nichols
Susanna Wesley Award – Board of Laity
Scholarship Award and Report of the United Methodist Connectional FCU
- 10:30 a.m. Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits – Rev. Steve Reneau, Chair
Commission on Equitable Compensation – Rev. W. Michael Cobb, Chair
Board of Trustee Report – Rev. Olivia Poole
- Conference Announcements and Recess

- 11:30 a.m. General Lunch- Fellowship Hall
 Spiritual Formation – 7204
 Birmingham-Southern Luncheon – 6111
 Organization of Board of Ordained Ministry/Order of Elders/Order of Deacons –
 7207/7209
- 1:00 p.m. Gathering Music:
 Prayer: (assigned by host ds)
- Council on Finance and Administration – George Mingledorff
Action Item: 2021 Conference Budget
 Statistician’s Report – Suzanne Krejcar
- Report of the Cabinet – Wesley Hall – Rev. June Jernigan
 Change in Charge Lines
 District Superintendent Responsibilities
 Property Resolutions
- 1:30 p.m. Report of Bishop’s Discernment Task Force
- 4:00 p.m. Closing Business of the Conference
 Where shall the 2021 Session be held?
- Courtesies and Appreciation – Dr. Wesley Wachob
- Conference Announcements
- 4:15 p.m. ORDER OF THE DAY – Fixing of the 2020-2021 Appointments – Wesley Hall
 Sending Forth Service
- Adjournment *Sine Die*