

HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 4-7, 2023

Debbie Wallace-Padgett
Resident Bishop, Presiding

SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

SUNDAY – JUNE 4, 2023

- 1:00-5:00 p.m. Registration at Bethea Welcome Center
- 3:00 p.m. Rehearsal for Ordination
- 4:00 p.m. Laity Session – Stuart Auditorium
- 5:00 p.m. Clergy Session – Stuart Auditorium
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Ordinands, Provisionals, and Associate Members meet at the chapel
for pictures
- 7:30 p.m. Sponsors and Cabinet line-up for Ordination Service
- 7:45 p.m. Service of Ordination and Commissioning
Bishop Debbie Wallace-Padgett, preaching and presiding; music by Cokesbury Ensemble

After worship Rehearsal for Monday morning Communion servers – Stuart Auditorium

After worship Rehearsal for Conference Choir in chapel

MONDAY – JUNE 05, 2023

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Worship with Bible Study & Communion
Reverend Sarah Slack, preaching; Reverend Dr. Greta Smith, assisting
- 9:45 a.m. Hymn
Opening Prayer
Welcome from Lake Junaluska
Organizing Motions
Adoption of Agenda; Setting Bar of Conference; Election of Ushers and Tellers
Report from Committee on Rules and Order
Blessing of Hands-On Mission Kits
- 10:44 a.m. State of the Church – Bishop’s Report
Conference Lay Leader Report
- 11:29 a.m. Council on Finance and Administration Initial Budget Presentation
- 11:39 a.m. Personnel Resources Committee
- 11:59 p.m. Closing Prayer for the Session
Lunch Break
- 1:15 p.m. Conference Choir Rehearsal
- 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service - Reverend Reed Shell, Preaching; Music by the Annual Conference Choir
- 3:40 p.m. Hymn
- 3:44 p.m. Worship Together
- 3:45 p.m. Invitation Team
- 4:20 p.m. Commission on Equitable Compensation
- 4:30 p.m. Discipleship Team -Witness – Denman Awards
- 4:40 p.m. Sexual Ethics and Boundaries Task Force
- 4:50 p.m. Closing prayer for Session
- 4:55 p.m. *Dinner Break*
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service – Mission Celebration
Bishop V. Gregory Palmer-preacher; music by Praise Team led by Paul Jones

TUESDAY – JUNE 6, 2023

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Worship with Bible Study & Remembering Your Baptism
Reverend Walter Cross, preaching; music led by Willie & Christina
- 9:40 a.m. Committee on Nominations
Children’s Ministry Team
- 9:50 a.m. Discipleship-Outreach/Advocacy
- 9:55 a.m. Discipleship-Nurture
- 10:00 a.m. Board of Pensions
- 10:10 a.m. Trustees
- 10:30 a.m. Holston Conference Higher Education and Ministry
Emory & Henry College
Tennessee Wesleyan College
Recognition of Wesley Foundations
Francis Asbury Award
- 11:00 a.m. Retirement Recognition
- 12:00 p.m. Closing Prayer for the Session
Lunch Break
- 2:00 p.m. Hymn
- 2:05 p.m. Council on Finance and Administration Budget Presentation for Approval
- 2:25 p.m. Committee on Petitions and Resolutions
- 4:25 p.m. Board of Ordained Ministry
- 4:35 p.m. Multi-Cultural Ministries
- 5:00 p.m. Closing Prayer for the Session
Dinner Break
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Together –
Bishop Gregory V. Palmer preaching (1 hour); music by Christ UMC, Chattanooga

WEDNESDAY – JUNE 7, 2023

- 9:00 a.m. Hymn
- 9:05 a.m. New Business
- 9:12 a.m. United Women in Faith
- 9:22 a.m. Holston Youth
- 9:27 a.m. Cabinet Report
- 9:47 a.m. Conference Strategy
- 10:52 a.m. Holston Foundation
- 10:57 a.m. Committee on Congregational Development
- 11:07 a.m. Announcement of celebrating our bicentennial
- 11:12 a.m. Minute Question # 76 “Where Shall Annual Conference Be Held?”
/Thank you/ Acknowledgements
- 11:35 a.m. Sending Forth
- 11:50 a.m. Adjournment