

Southern Region of the BWC  
“We Are One: Beneath the Cross”  
Church Conference Agenda Fall 2018

Welcome and Introductions                      Host Pastor and Presiding Elder  
Devotion

**Instruments of Worship- Lay Leader**

Welcome into this place;

Welcome into this broken vessel.

We desire to abide in the praises of your people.

So, we lift our voice and we lift our hands as we offer you this sacrifice of praise.

**Sharing Joys of Discipleship and Missional Engagement- Host Pastor**

**Litany of the Lord's Prayer**

Leader: Recognizing the importance of prayer in our lives, let us take our needs to God in prayer, begging his mercy and forgiveness. For all our failings and errors, Lord, we pray your forgiveness.

**People: Lord, forgive us our trespasses.**

Leader: For the needs we have in daily life -- for food and shelter, for jobs and recreation -- Lord, we ask your kindness.

**People: Lord, give us this day our daily bread.**

Leader: For the help we need when evil is near, Lord, we beg your protection.

**People: Lord, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

Leader: For our neighbors, that they may grow in stature before you, supplied with the good things of life.

**People: Bless them, we ask you, O Lord; give them from your abundance.**

Leader: We beg your mercy on their failings; may they grow in union with you.

**People: Forgive them their trespasses, Lord, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

Leader: May we grow to be more of a people, united by the bond of love, secure in the promise of faith.

**People: Thus, do we make our prayer, Lord, looking to your mercy and love.**

**Passing Christ's Peace**

Scriptures- Ephesians 4:4- 6

You were all called to travel on the same road and in the same direction, so stay together, both outwardly and inwardly. You have one Master, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who rules over all, works through all, and is present in all. Everything you are and think and do is permeated with oneness.

**Prayer for Holy Conferencing- Presiding Elder**

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Pastor's Report: Goals for intentional discipleship and engagement in the mission field

Candidates for Ordained Ministry- (2/3 written ballot)

Affirmations/Recommendation of Lay Ministry

Lay Servants- Simple majority

Certified Lay Ministry- Simple majority

Certificate of Compliance (receive)

Nominations – simple majority

Inactive Membership Report – simple majority

Pastoral Compensation – simple majority

**Closing Reflections and A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition**

*I am no longer my own, but thine.*

*Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.*

*Put me to doing, put me to suffering.*

*Let me be employed for thee or laid aside for thee,  
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.*

*Let me be full, let me be empty.*

*Let me have all things, let me have nothing.*

*I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and  
disposal.*

*And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy  
Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.*

*And the covenant which I have made on earth,  
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.*