

## 2021 UNYUMC Annual Conference Daily Notes Friday June 19, 2021

### Morning

- **Opening Devotion:** The Hispanic Ministry Area began the day with an opening devotion in Spanish.
- **Petition UNYAC2021.7:** UNYAC2021.7: Proposal to Form a Study Commission on the Readiness of UNY for Implementation of the Protocol of Reconciliation and Grace Through Separation, was supported with four amendments
- **Trustees Report:** The Conference Board of Trustees shared updates on the work of board, involving the purchase, sale and maintenance of Conference properties and managing the Conference's master insurance program. Board President the Rev. Richard Barling reported that conference offices and camps have begun to reopen, and Treasurer Kathy King-Griswold shared the boards financial. The report also included updates from the Conference's Child Victim Acts team. The Trustees' recommended church closures were supported by the Conference, and the board's report was adopted.

### Afternoon

- **Nominations Report:** The Rev. Tony Hipes, chair of the Conference Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development offered a list of proposed conference and district committee member nominees to be confirmed by the annual conference. All were approved and the full report adopted. A declaratory decision on the bishop's ruling that the *Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church* prohibits nominations to the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry from the floor of Annual Conference was supported and will be sent to the United Methodist Judicial Council
- **Budget and CF&A Report:** Holly Roush presented the 2022 Ministry Shares budget proposed by the Conference Council on Finance and Administration. After two questions for clarification, the proposed budget was supported, and the entire report adopted.
- **Mission Central HUB Offering:** Shelley Smith spoke of the lives changed through the work accomplished by the UNY Mission Central HUB. She emphasized that though the HUB was not physically open during the pandemic, they have been out in the community meeting the needs of many people. You can give an offering by visiting <http://bit.ly/UNYACDONATE>.
- **Petition UNYAC2021.8:** UNYAC2021.8: Team Transparency and Greater Participation of Annual Conference in Mission Planning, was supported with four amendments.
- **Reports from Order of Elders, Order of Deacons, and the Chairs of the Fellowship of Associate Members and Local Licensed Pastors:** Pastor Anne Cole and the Rev. Tim Middleton discussed the work of licensed local pastors and associate pastors. Carrie Wolfe and the Rev. Becky Naber, representing the Order of Deacons, described the ministry of deacons. The Rev. Heather Williams and the Rev. Steven Smith spoke about the work of the Order of Elders.
- **Memorial Service:** The Memorial Service was held at Cicero UMC by invitation only and was also livestreamed. Over 100 clergy and clergy spouses who have died since Annual Conference 2019 were celebrated. The Rev. Bill Gottschalk-Fielding delivered a message about the comfort to those mourning provided by Jesus and by those who serve as a vessel from Jesus.