

Annapolis District of the BWC  
"We Are One: United to Love"  
Church Conference Agenda Fall 2019

Welcome and Introductions                      Host Pastor and District Superintendent

**Call to Holy Conferencing and Worship**

**Host Church Lay Leader**

Come, connect to the vine, from which all life flows;

**We are the branches.**

Come, remain in the vine, so that fruit may grow;

**We are the branches.**

Come, let us celebrate the harvest;

**May the blessing of the planting, abiding, pruning,  
growing, and harvesting glorify you, our precious Lord!**

**Scripture: John 15: 1-12**

**Passing the peace of Christ**

**Reflection**

**District Superintendent**

**Our Offering:**

**Prayer for Holy Conferencing**

**Host Pastor or District Lay Leader**

**Voting on Church Conference Packets**

[Vote will be church by church, on the entire packet, which has already been reviewed by the District Superintendent and affirmed by the church council.]

**Sharing Joys of Intentional Discipleship and Missional  
Engagement- Pastors and Laity**

[Each church should prepare to share for 3-5 minutes on their growth in intentional discipleship and/or growth in missional engagement. Stories of life transformation are welcome!]

**Thanksgiving for Church Leaders: John 15:12-17**

**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.*

**Benediction**

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Contents of packet for holy conferencing

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

Affirmations/Recommendation of Lay Ministry

Lay Servants- *Simple majority*

Certified Lay Ministry- *Simple majority*

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

Nominations – *simple majority*

Inactive Membership Report – *simple majority*

Pastoral Compensation – *simple majority*

Certificate of Compliance (receive)