

Agenda for Annual Church Conference ~ Ann Arbor District 2017

A Celebration of Our Ministry Together

Note: This is not a sample agenda. This is the required agenda. One-hour total.
(please do not include the above note as part of your agenda)

Song/Hymn/Chorus - Please select ~ open with something joy-filled.
Clergy or music staff, please select a hymn, song, or chorus to sing as we begin.

Devotions – led by the Pastor (7-10 minutes)

Action/Business items

- 1) Membership report - list names of persons received into membership of the church or churches and names of persons removed since the last church conference, indicating how each was received or removed. Persons to be removed must be contacted prior to removal.
- 2) Lay Leadership address list- please remember that people may be included in this report before they have been voted on. Changes can be submitted later if needed.
- 3) Pastoral compensation recommendation - presented by church council chair or PPR Chair.
- 4) Lay Servants - "the church conference shall inquire annually into the gifts, labors, and usefulness of the lay servants, and recommend ... those persons who have met the standards ..." (§247.11)
- 5) Candidates for ordained, consecrated, certified, or licensed ministry - first time recommendation and continuation.
- 6) Any other business items requiring church conference action.

Reflection on Ministry (presented by someone other than the pastor)

Reflecting on your congregation's current status, how would you respond to the following questions:

- 1) How have you seen or experienced God's presence within your congregation?
- 2) What excites you about the future of your community of faith?
- 3) How has your church grown, both spiritually and numerically, over the past year?

*All other reports must be typed/written and will **NOT** be presented verbally.*

District Superintendent or Presiding Elder's Remarks

Song/Hymn/Chorus - Please Select

Closing Prayer - Pastor