

**Revised Meeting Agenda for the 47th Annual Meeting of the
Minnesota Conference, United Church of Christ**

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2009 (Pg 1 of 4)

11am	To	Registration/Exhibit Setup/ Book Store Setup/Music Setup –
	1:30pm	Benedicta Center for the Arts (BCA)
11:30	To 12:30pm	LUNCH – Entry by ticket from Registration – Gorecki Cafeteria/1 st floor
12:45	To	PLENARY GATHERING MUSIC – Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor
	1pm	Noon-8pm Bookstore Open
1:00pm	To 1:50pm	PLENARY #1 -- Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor; FAIR TRADE COFFEE/TEA in room
1:00-1:05		Congregational Singing, <i>Guide My Feet</i> (NCH #497, Vvs. 1&2) WORDS ON SCREEN
		Musicians: Malcolm Anderson, Scott Dorff, Brian Brosz, Chris Fazel, Gigi Nauer
1:05-1:35		Welcome and Introduction to the 2009 MN Conference Annual Meeting,
		Rev. Dr. Karen Smith Sellers POWER POINT/SCREEN
		Wade Zick -- Delegates/Youth & Young Adult Delegates,
		Recognition of Amy Wick-Moore POWER POINT/SCREEN
1:35-1:40		Recognition and thank you to Kita McVay
		United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
1:40-1:45		Rev. Dr. Karen Smith Sellers introduces Rev. David Schoen,
		Minister & Team Leader of Evangelism Ministry Team,
		Congregational Vitality Initiative Coordinator, United Church of Christ (Cleveland, OH)
		Vitality Initiative Program
1:45pm	To 2:00pm	WORSHIP Plenary-- Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor
2:00-2:15	:15	BREAK Noon-8pm BOOKSTORE OPEN
2:15pm	To 5:45pm	BUSINESS PLENARY 1 - Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor
		Call to Order and Welcome -- Mark Kuether , Moderator
		Credentials Report -- Ron Stricker , Secretary of the Conference
		Approval of Standing Rules/Adoption of Agenda/Acceptance of Written Reports,
		Appointment of Parliamentarians/ Approval of Minutes/ Explanation of Speak Outs!
		-- Sharon James Fazel , Annual Meeting Planning Work Group
		Welcome from the Conference Minister – Rev. Dr. Karen Smith Sellers
		Introduction of Honored Guests/ Approval of Voice without Vote
		Nominating Work Group Report – Genie Williams
		Presentation of Nominating Slate
		Request for Nominations from the Floor
		AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS
		Conference Staff
		Committee on Ministry Report – Sandy Johnson
		Students in Care
		New Clergy
		Anniversary Churches and Clergy
		Leysath Award – Awarded to Norma Ray Hunt
		<u>Recognitions/Introductions -- for Particular Categories</u>
		5 for 5 Congregations
		Covenant Keepers
		Friends of the Conference – see MN Conference Anniversary and Awards Booklet
		ONA Congregations
		Accessibility Awards
		Earthwise Congregations
		MN Conference Board of Directors Introduced by Rev. Dr. Karen Smith Sellers
	2:42-3:40PM	

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3:40 **Explanation of the Resolution Hearing Process** – Maureen Engelhardt,
Annual Meeting Planning Work Groups Resolutions Coordinator

Approx 3:50

BREAK

4:00-

HEARINGS -- Reading of Resolutions and By-Laws

4:25pm

Introduced by Maureen Engelhardt

Resolution #1 – A Resolution Regarding Establishing of Ongoing Relationships with
Minnesota Native American Communities

Justice and Witness Team of the Minnesota Conference UCC, John Guttermann

Emmaus Anti-Racism Transformation Team of the Minnesota Conference UCC,

Patsy Parker

RESOLUTION ON POWER POINT/SCREEN

Resolution #2 – Active Non-Violence Training

Robbinsdale United Church of Christ, T. Michael Rock

Macalester-Plymouth United Church PeaceMakers, Molly Redmond, Don Christensen

Part One: Resolution on the Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence

Part Two: Resolution for Adopting “Creating a Culture of Peace” as a Congregational
Training Program

RESOLUTION ON POWER POINT/SCREEN

By-Laws Changes

POWER POINT SLIDES ON SCREEN

Presenters: Dawn Schilling

Approx.

4:25-4:35pm

Speak Outs! #1 – 10 @ 1 minute each

You must sign up to participate. In keeping with governance of Speak Outs! for the
United Church of Christ General Synod, Speak Outs! are not for items of business that
are part of the Agenda for this meeting.

4:35-

1 hour &

**Presentation/Discussion of Pilgrim Point Camp Decision by Board of Directors,
Minnesota Conference UCC—Moderator, Rev. Mark Kuether**

5:45pm

10 minutes

:45

Presentation: Lisa Lindesmith, Coqui Conkey, Dave Kettering,

Rudi Anders, John Roschen

POWER POINT SLIDES ON SCREEN

:25

Questions and Answers, Moderated by **Mark Kuether** and **Lisa Lindesmith**

5:45-

:60

DINNER BREAK -- Entry by ticket from Registration – Gorecki Cafeteria/1st floor

6:45pm

**(Cafeteria
begins serving
@5:30pm)**

Exhibits open/Registration continues, Book sales/BCA

Bookstore closes at 8pm

7:00-

:60

Plenary #3 -- “Horn Call” by Scott Dorff

8:00PM

Gathering music– **Congregational Singing**, *Guide My Feet* (NCH #497, Vvs. 1&2)

WORDS ON SCREEN

Keynote 1: Rev. Dr. Paul Nixon, “*I Refuse to Lead a Dying Church*”

Introduced by Rev. Rick Wagner

8:00

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BREAK/Transitional Music/Singing led by musicians, folding into...

8:10-

:50

WORSHIP PLENARY

9:00pm

Sermon, The Rev. Dr. Paul Nixon, “**Finding Jesus on the Metro**”

Includes Installation of Association Ministers

Celebration of Holy Communion

9:00pm

“After Hours”

United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities Alumni Reception, Gorecki Rm 120

Refreshments and Fellowship

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Gorecki Lobby

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6:30-9:30am	3 hours	UCC Pension Boards Wellness Exams /BAC
		POOL OPEN 6-7AM
7:00-8:00am	1 hour	BREAKFAST – Welcoming of New Delegates and Visitors by sitting with Associate Conference Ministers/Ashley Minister/MN Conference Board Members
8:00-9:00am		Registration Open/Exhibits Open -- BAC BOOKSTORE OPEN 8AM – 9PM
8:45 - noon		Child Care and Children’s PeaceCamp (Margretta Hall, downstairs) Lead Coordinator, Grace Anderson
8:45-9:00am	:15	Morning Prayers Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor Led by Associate Conference Ministers, Elena Larssen & Rick Wagner
9:00-9:45am	:45	BIBLE STUDY – Elena Larssen and Rick Wagner – Romans 12:2 <i>“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.”</i>
9:45-9:55am	:10	BREAK
9:55-10:55am	1 hour	BUSINESS PLENARY 2 - Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor State of the Conference Report – Rev. Dr. Karen Smith Sellers (Includes introduction of Immigration Task Force, Global Partnerships Team) Treasurer’s Report and Proposed 2010 Budget Presentation [If any -- Timely Resolutions Are Added to Agenda]
	:10	SPEAK OUTS! #2 (10 speakers @ 1 minute each)
11:00-	:15	BREAK
11:15		GATHERING MUSIC / KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2 PLENARY -- -- Gorecki Auditorium/2 nd floor Musical Call – Scott Dorff; Horn improvisation Introduction of Keynote Speaker, by Rev. Elena Larssen
11:20-12:10	:50	KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2, Rev. Dr. Susan K. Smith
12:15-1:15pm	1 hour	LUNCH -- Gorecki Cafeteria, 1 st floor, admission by ticket only Exhibits and book store open – BAC Noon – Parents retrieve children from Childcare and Peace Camp for Lunch Child Care and Children’s Peace Camp Program (Margretta Hall, downstairs)
1:30 – 4:40pm	3 hours & :10	
1:30-3:00pm	1 hour & :30	WORKSHOP SESSION #1 Exhibits and book store open – BAC
3-3:30	:30	BREAK -- Exhibits and book store open -- BAC
3:30-4:15	:45	CHOIR REHEARSAL – BAC Recital/Rehearsal Hall, BAC 130
3:30-5:00pm	1 hour & :30	WORKSHOP SESSION #2 Exhibits and book store open – BAC

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5:00-6pm	1 hour	BREAK -- Exhibits and book store open – BAC BOOKSTORE OPEN 8AM – 9PM
6-7:00pm	1 hour	DINNER -- Gorecki Cafeteria, 1 st floor, admission by ticket only
6:50-8:45pm	1 hour & :55	Child Care and Children's <i>Peace Camp</i> Program (Margretta Hall, downstairs)
7:00-8:45pm	1 hour & :45	BUSINESS PLENARY 3 – Begins with Musical Call by Scott Dorff Bar of the House Explained, Rev. Mark Kuether Election of Officers, Genie Williams
7:25-7:50	:25	RESOLUTIONS – Final open discussion and VOTE on Resolutions & By-Laws
7:50-8:25	:35	Final discussion of BUDGET; VOTE on budget
8:25-8:45	:20	Recognition/Celebration of 50 th Anniversary of Pilgrim Point Camp SLIDE SHOW /TESTIMONIES BOOKSTORE CLOSSES AT 9PM
8:45-9:00pm	:15	Evening Prayers – Gorecki 2nd Floor
9:00pm		CODA in Gorecki Lobby/Lounge area -- After Hours Pilgrim Point 50th Anniversary Celebration Cake/Punch – Gorecki Lobby/Lounge area

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7:30-8:30am		BREAKFAST -- Gorecki Cafeteria, 1 st floor, admission by ticket only
9:00am	:45	Bible Study -- Led by Associate Conference Ministers, Elena Larssen & Rick Wagner
9:55-10:45am	-10:45am	BUSINESS PLENARY #4 – Horn Call by Scott -- Remaining Reports and Awards
11:00-noon	1 Hour	CLOSING WORSHIP – Gorecki, Plenary Room
12:15-2pm	-2pm	MN Conference Board Meeting, Gorecki, Rm 120

There is NO AMPWG MEETING today. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for later this month.

Thank you for participating in the 47th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Conference, United Church of Christ.

We pray that once you have rested ...

...you will indeed feel "Renewed!" AMPWG, 2009