

NORTH TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE PHOTO ALBUM



A multi-church choir comprised of members from St. Luke “Community” UMC, St. Paul UMC, and Hamilton Park UMC provides music for the opening worship of the 2016 Annual Conference.



Bishop Michael McKee commissions 150 summer interns who will serve in various ministries throughout our conference.



ABOVE: Bishop William McAlilly, bishop of the Tennessee area conferences, recesses from the opening worship service with Bishop McKee. Bishop McAlilly delivered inspirational sermons for both the opening and ordination services. **BELOW:** The speaker for the opening Laity Session, held at First UMC Carrollton, was Wil Murphy. Here he holds a panel discussion with Henry Martinez and Jason Redick.





ABOVE: Four of the 122 Project Transformation interns celebrate commissioning on the first night of conference. **LEFT:** Rev. John Dillard presents the Commission on Archives and History report with Frances Long, conference historian. This commission is part of the Center for Connectional Resources, Rev. Jodi Smith, Director. (pictured)



LEFT: A reaffirmation of baptism service is led by Rev. Cammy Gaston, Metro District Superintendent, and Dr. Sheron Patterson, Communications officer. **RIGHT:** A golden cowboy illustrates the Center for New Church Development and Congregational Transformation's desire for churches not to be "frozen" but instead to reach out in invitation to others.



Bishop McKee, along with Board of Pension and Health Benefits Chair Larry Womack, welcomes the conference retirees to their annual luncheon.



LEFT: Rev. Michael Baughman leads one of six Toolbox Sessions Monday afternoon. His topic was “Conventional Wisdom Upside Down.” **RIGHT:** Rev. Danielle Shroyer challenges the conference to understand its witness. She was one of the keynote speakers.



Rev. Steven Martinez receives a chalice upon completion of his ordination as elder.



ABOVE: Shown is the St. Andrew UMC choir providing music for the ordination service which commissioned three deacons and nine elders and ordained seven elders. **RIGHT:** Rev. Scot Bontrager is ordained elder by Bishop McKee.





LEFT: Another Toolbox Session is facilitated by Rev. Rebecca David Hensley. The topic for this toolbox was “Witness-Stories: How Do We Tell Them?” RIGHT: Rev. Mitchell Boone presents a resolution regarding human sexuality addressing actions taken at General Conference.



Dr. Jan Davis, along with the North Texas delegation, reports on both the preparations for General Conference as well as the results of this quadrennial gathering.



ABOVE: Enjoying Annual Conference are Shirley Ison-Newsome, Jeannette Bowie, Dr. Michael Bowie, and Kelvin Walker. **BELOW:** The 60th anniversary of the ordination of women in the UMC is celebrated. A small group of the many ordained women are pictured here with Bishop McKee.

