Included in the opening worship was the commissioning of summer interns for service in Project Transformation, C2K, Bridgeport, QuadW, Go Camp, and Lydia Patterson Institute throughout the Texas area.

Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton inspires the conference in the Sunday evening opening worship service at Custer Road United Methodist Church in Plano.

Marilyn Oden, widow of former North Texas Conference Bishop William B. Oden, is escorted in by Geoffrey Moore for the memorial observance.
Bishop Michael McKee and Rev. Dr. Michael Bowie exchange greetings during the Sunday evening reception.


The Committee on Episcopacy honors Joan and Bishop McKee for their years of service to the conference.
Rev. Junius Dotson challenges the conference as keynote speaker.

Leading in Monday afternoon worship are Pastor Lucia French, associate at Christ’s Foundry, as well as Eliana Rios and Carmen Perez from Elmoed-El Buen Samaritano.

Volunteers at Christ UMC surround Rev. Denise Peckham, easily identified by their red shirts!
Rev. Stacey Piyakhun is awarded the Harry Denman Evangelism Award for clergy by Rev. Cammy Gaston.

Andy Lewis celebrates a New Faces New Spaces grant with First UMC Archer City and Rev. Silvia Wang and Megan Densmore.

Bishop McKee offers a prayer for this year’s retirees. Retirees pictured are Eddie Jean Adams, Janette Kotev, Ouida Lee, and William La Barr.
ABOVE: It's a family affair as Rev. William Mauldin is ordained deacon while his wife, children, and father, retired Oklahoma Conference elder, Rev. Richard Mauldin (top, left), lay their hands on him.

MIDDLE: Bishop Michael McKee commissions deacons and elders as part of the Service of Commissioning and Ordination on Monday evening.

LEFT: All the newly ordained elders and deacons are personally greeted by Bishop McKee, including the new elder Jane Graner, who many years ago called the Bishop her youth director in one of his former appointments.
Rev. Richard Harrison, IV, receives his stole as a new elder assisted by his mother, Rev. Georgia Harrison.

As part of the largest ordination class in years, Rev. Taylor Smith begins his new journey as an ordained elder.
BELOW: Pam Liston, North Texas Conference Chancellor, and Rev. Judith Reedy, Conference Secretary, share a fun moment.


This year, the tellers gathered and counted votes by show of hands, paper ballots, and electronic devices.
Bishop McKee congratulates Katie Pryor on her election as a lay delegate to the 2020 Jurisdictional Conference. She also serves North Texas Conference as the Director of Go Camp.

The New Faces New Spaces Workshop speaker, Heather Evans, shares best practices with clergy and laity groups during the voting for 2020 General Conference delegates.
ABOVE: Clergy enjoy voting for General Conference delegates. Pictured from the left are Maggie Proshek, Ashley Anne Sipe, Katie Newsome, Allison Jean, and Courtney Schultz.

RIGHT: Lay members flash a smile as they prepare their votes for General Conference delegates. Pictured from the left are Macie Liptoi, Sarah Rozebom, Brayden Bishop, Keri Lynn Lucas, Katrina Culberson Smith, Kendal Simpson, and Kenna Bartholomew.

The new Northwest District Superintendent and outgoing Board of Pension and Health Benefits Chair, Rev. Todd Harris, offers the grace for the Clergy Retiree Luncheon on Monday. Several breakfasts and luncheons are held for various conference organizations during Annual Conference.