2020 General Conference Schedule

Registration

Sunday, May 3	*1:00–6:30 P.M.*	*Registration (all categories)*
Monday, May 4	*7:00 A.M.–6:30 P.M.*	*Registration (all categories)*
Tuesday, May 5	*7:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M.; 4:00–6:30 P.M.*	*Registration (all categories)*

Registration will continue from 7:30 A.M.–6:30 P.M. each day except for Sunday, May 10.

Agenda and Program

Following is the overall program of the 2020 General Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Following the presentation and adoption of the report of the Commission on the General Conference at the opening session of the General Conference, the Committee on Agenda and Calendar shall immediately become responsible for guiding the order of business of the Conference. **All times listed are considered "Orders of the Day." Announcements will be held prior to the end of each Plenary as necessary.**

Friday, May 1

6:00 P.M. – Orientation for Interpreters
      – Orientation for Pages and Marshals

Saturday, May 2

8:00 A.M. – Orientation for Central Conference Delegates
10:00 A.M. – Committee on Credentials

Sunday, May 3

8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. – Orientation for Central Conference Delegates
1:00 – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
3:00 P.M. – Standing Committee on Central Conference Matters
      – Committee on Correlation and Editorial Revision
      – Orientation for Legislative Committee Recorders
6:00 P.M. – Orientation for Interpreters

Monday, May 4

7:00 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
9:00 A.M. – Committee on Reference
      – Standing Committee on Central Conference Matters
10:00 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
1:00 P.M. – Committee on Courtesies and Privileges
      – Committee on Presiding Officers
      – Committee on the Journal

6:00 P.M. – Orientation for Heads of Delegations
       – Orientation for Pages and Marshals

Tuesday, May 5

7:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Orientation for All Delegates
2:00 – 3:30 P.M. – Opening Worship
3:30 – 3:50 P.M. – Break
3:50 – 6:30 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Call to Order
    Roll Call and Setting the Bar of the Conference
    Emergency Procedures,
    Greeting from Minneapolis
    The Role of Monitoring (5 minutes)
    The Power of Communication (15 minutes)
    Journey from 2016 to 2020 (15 minutes)
    Speaker Recognition System Introduction
    Testing the Voting System
    Commission on the General Conference Report and Plan of Organization and Rules of Order
    Elections
        • Coordinator of the Calendar
        • Inter-jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy
        • General Conference Administrative Committees
    Report of the Committee on Agenda and Calendar
4:00 – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Wednesday, May 6

7:00 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
       – Committee on Reference
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 8:30 A.M. – Worship
8:30 – 10:35 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Episcopal Address (45 minutes)
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Report on the Social Principles Revision (12 minutes)
    Nominations
10:35 – 10:55 A.M. – Break
10:55 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Young People's Address (30 minutes)
    General Book of Discipline Report and Dialogue (90 minutes)
1:00 – 2:30 P.M. – Lunch
2:30 – 4:30 P.M. – Organization of the Legislative Committees

4:30 – Dinner and <u>Mandatory</u> Leadership Training for Legislative Committee Chairs, Vice Chairs, Parliamentarians, Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Recorders, and Sub-Committee Chairs.
　　　　– Recess for All Others
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing

Thursday, May 7

7:00 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
　　　　　– Committee on Reference
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 8:45 A.M. – Worship
8:45 – 9:30 A.M. – Plenary Session
　　Opening Prayer
　　Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
　　Laity Address (30 minutes)
　　Administrative Committee Reports
9:30 – 9:50 A.M. – Break
9:50 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. – Legislative Committees
12:30 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 4:00 P.M. – Legislative Committees
4:00 – 4:20 P.M. – Break
4:20 – 6:20 P.M. – Legislative Committees
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:20 – 6:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion (Legislative Committees)
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Friday, May 8

7:00 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
　　　　　– Committee on Reference
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 8:45 A.M. – Worship
8:45 – 9:50 A.M. – Plenary Session
　　Opening Prayer
　　Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
　　Financial State of the Church (15 minutes)
　　Connectional Table Report (20 minutes)
　　Jurisdictional Study Committee Report (15 minutes)
　　Administrative Committee Reports
9:50 – 10:10 A.M. – Break
10:10 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. – Legislative Committees
12:30 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 4:00 P.M. – Legislative Committees
4:00 – 4:20 P.M. – Break
4:20 – 6:20 P.M. – Legislative Committees
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing

6:20 – 6:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion (Legislative Committees)
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Saturday, May 9

7:00 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
       – Committee on Reference
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 8:45 A.M. – Worship
8:45 – 9:50 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Wespath – New Retirement Plan Overview (45 minutes)
    Administrative Committee Reports
    Consent Calendars
9:50 – 10:10 A.M. – Break
10:10 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. – Legislative Committees
12:30 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 4:00 P.M. – Legislative Committees
4:00 – 4:20 P.M. – Break
4:20 – 6:00 P.M. – Legislative Committees
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:00 – 7:30 P.M. – Dinner
7:30 – 9:20 P.M. – Legislative Committees
9:20 – 9:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion (Legislative Committees)
9:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Sunday, May 10

    Sabbath

Monday, May 11

6:30 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 9:20 A.M. – Worship
    Consecration of Deaconesses and Home Missioners for Lifetime Service
9:20 – 10:00 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Administrative Committee Reports
    Consent Calendars
10:00 – 10:20 A.M. – Break
10:20 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Voting Demonstration
    Elections

- Trustees of John Street Church
- Secretary-designate of the General Conference
- Commission on the General Conference
- General Agencies
- Judicial Council
- University Senate
- Standing Committee on Central Conference Matters

12:00 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 3:40 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Africa University Report (20 minutes)
    Higher Education and Ministry Report (20 minutes)
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
3:40 – 4:00 P.M. – Break
4:00 – 6:10 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Abundant Health Initiative Report (10 minutes)
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:10 – 6:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Tuesday, May 12

6:30 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 9:30 A.M. – Worship
    Ecumenical Introductions (30 minutes)
9:30 – 10:00 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Administrative Committee Reports
    Consent Calendars
10:00 – 10:20 A.M. – Break
10:20 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
12:00 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 3:40 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Recognition of Retiring Bishops and Presentation of New Episcopal Leadership (10 minutes)
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
3:40 – 4:00 P.M. – Break
4:00 – 6:10 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    80th Anniversary of UMCOR and Migrant Ministries (10 minutes)

Calendar Items & Conference Business
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:10 – 6:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Wednesday, May 13

6:30 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 9:00 A.M. – Worship
9:00 – 10:00 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Methodist Family Day (30 minutes)
    Administrative Committee Reports
    Consent Calendars
10:00 – 10:20 A.M. – Break
10:20 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
12:00 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 3:40 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    100th Anniversary of the United Methodist Building (5 minutes)
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
3:40 – 4:00 P.M. – Break
4:00 – 6:10 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:10 – 6:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Thursday, May 14

6:30 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 9:00 A.M. – Worship
    Commissioning of Missionaries
9:00 – 10:00 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Mission Bicentennial (15 minutes)
    Administrative Committee Reports
    Consent Calendars
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
10:00 – 10:20 A.M. – Break

10:20 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
12:00 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 3:40 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Recognition of New Judicial Council Members and those members completing their service
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
3:40 – 4:00 P.M. – Break
4:00 – 6:10 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
5:00 P.M. – Daily Deadline for *DCA* Printing
6:10 – 6:30 P.M. – Evening Devotion
6:30 P.M. – Adjournment

Friday, May 15

6:30 A.M. – Committee on Agenda and Calendar
7:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. – Registration (all categories)
8:00 – 9:00 A.M. – Worship
9:00 – 10:00 A.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Monitoring Report (3 minutes)
    Administrative Committee Reports
    GCFA Report
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
    Announcements
10:00 – 10:20 A.M. – Break
10:20 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
12:00 – 1:30 P.M. – Lunch
1:30 – 3:40 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Recognition of General Conference Staff and Local Host Committee (25 minutes)
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
3:40 – 4:00 P.M. – Break
4:00 – 6:00 P.M. – Plenary Session
    Opening Prayer
    Calendar Items & Conference Business
6:00 – 6:30 P.M. – Closing Worship
6:30 P.M. – Final Adjournment