



Ohio Conference Annual Gathering
June 10-11, 2016
Otterbein University, Westerville
Campus Center, 100 Home Street

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Schedule

Saturday, June 11

- 8:15 Exhibits Open Lounge
 Registration Opens (same setup as Friday)
 Continental Breakfast: Coffee/tea, orange juice, breads, muffins, fruit
- Opening Plenary Session Dining Hall (2nd floor)
Identification of our program leaders is found at the bottom of the agenda.
- 9:00 Convene. Welcome and Introductions Mindy Quellhorst
 Parliamentarian: Jim Clausing
 United Church Homes Welcome Ken Daniel
 Recognition & Blessing of Young Ambassadors Mindy Quellhorst
 Recognition of Literacy Grant Award Winners Nicole Havelka
- 9:15 Opening Devotions (including Service of Remembrance) David Long-Higgins
- 9:30 Welcome from Methodist Theological School in Ohio
 Inspiring Story - *Single in the Sanctuary* Michelle Torigian
 Small Group Conversations Facilitator — Nicole Havelka
 Worshipful Work
 Adoption of Agenda and 2015 Minutes Mindy Quellhorst
 Treasurer's Report Sam Buehrer
 2017 Clergy Compensation Guidelines Cathy Green
 State of the Conference Phil Hart
 Theological reflector Tim Ahrens
- Music break/hymn sing Dave Long-Higgins
- 10:30 Inspiring Story – *The Bookworm Diner, Immanuel UCC, Cincinnati* Dan Smith
 Small Group Conversations Facilitator — Nicole Havelka
 German Partner Presentation - *Refugees Rescue the Soul of the Church* Rev. Dr. Christel Weber
 Theological reflector Avery Danage
- 11:30 Buffet Lunch (Dining Hall)
- 12:30 Plenary Session Resumes Dining Hall
 Inspiring Story – “God of Love” Joni Christian

Small Group Conversations	Facilitator — Nicole Havelka
Worshipful Work	
Wider Church Conversation	Mindy Quellhorst
Ministry Partner Presentation – Defiance College	Richanne Mankey
Nominating Committee Report	Tim Smith
Election and Commissioning	Mindy Quellhorst
Theological reflector	Beth Staten
1:30 Closing Worship with Communion	
Gluten-free bread for all provided by Bridges of Grace UCC, Charleston WV	
Offering provides support for Young Ambassadors Ohio program	
2:15 Beverages and snacks TO GO	Lounge

Saturday's Program Leaders

Rev. Melinda Quellhorst, Ohio Conference Moderator and Pastor, Grace UCC, Lancaster
Mr. Jim Clausing, Parliamentarian, Grace UCC, Lancaster
Rev. Ken Daniel, President and CEO, United Church Homes
Rev. Nicole Havelka, Minister for Resourcing, Networking and Creativity, Ohio Conference
Rev. David Long-Higgins, Annual Gathering Worship Leader and Pastor, David's UCC, Canal Winchester
Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Rev. Michelle Torigian, Pastor, St. Paul UCC, Old Blue Rock Road, Cincinnati
Rev. Samuel Buehrer, Ohio Conference Treasurer and Pastor, Sylvania UCC
Ms. Cathy Green, Ohio Conference Vice Moderator
Rev. Philip Hart, Ohio Conference Designated Minister
Rev. Timothy Ahrens, Senior Minister, First Congregational UCC, Columbus
Rev. Dr. Dan Smith, Pastor, Immanuel UCC, Cincinnati
Rev. Dr. Christel E.A. Weber, Evangelical Church of Westphalia, Germany
Rev. Avery Danage, Associate Pastor, Kent United Church of Christ
Ms. Joni Christian, member of The Church in Silver Lake, Ravenna
Dr. Richanne Mankey, President, Defiance College
Mr. Timothy Smith, Immediate Past Moderator and Chair, Nominating Committee
Pastor Beth Staten, Outreach Director, Move United Church, Columbus

Annual Gathering Planning Team

Rev. Dan Doty, Chair	Ms. Sheila Fox, Event in Site
Rev. Mindy Quellhorst	Rev. Nicole Havelka
Ms. Marilyn Lloyd	Rev. Phil Hart
Rev. David Long-Higgins	Ms. Pam Brown
Rev. Luke Lindon	