

Program Agenda

North to Alaska: Walking in the Light



Monday, June 26, 2017



General Secretary Rev.
Fred Day



Dr. Priscilla Pope-Levison



Rev. Dr. DarEll Weist



Charlie Brower, Nome



Ray Buckley, Palmer



Bishop Elaine Stanovsky, Invited

7 - 9 a.m.	Breakfast on your own
9 - 12	Historical Society Executive Board Meeting
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Registration and check-in available on APU Campus Carr-Gottstein Building Lobby
	Walk around on the campus of Alaska Methodist University (APU) or other local tours as available.
Whenever to 1:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
1:00 - 1:45	Opening Devotions with GCAH General Secretary Fred Day
1:45- 1:55	Welcome, housekeeping items and Introductions by host chair Larry Hayden
1:55- 2:15	Welcoming from local dignitaries
2:15 - 5	Plenary Sessions with Dr. Priscilla Pope Levison and the Rev. Dr. DarEll Weist - in either the Board Room or classroom
6 - 9	Dinner and Program at First Anchorage UMC downtown hosted by the Samoan/Polynesian Fellowship (possibly with a short inclusion of Tongan Fellowships) and a program on Alaska Methodism by Walt Hays. Short recognition of the Alaska Sesquicentennial.



Conference Superintendent
Rev. Carlo Rapanut



Larry Hayden, Host

**Tuesday,
June 27, 2017**



Dale Patterson



Alex Parrish



Shirley Knepp

7 - 8	Breakfast on your own
8:30 - 9	Worship/Devotions, Conference Superintendent Carlo Rapanut
9 - 10	The Historical Society will have Committee meetings: History and Interpretation/Heritage Landmarks/Archives and Library; these three committees will report their findings later in the week.
10 - 11	Western Jurisdiction business meeting
11 - 12	Workshop: Dale Patterson "Conducting and Preserving Oral History"
12 - 1	Lunch at the Jesse Lee Home Campus with a program on its history and Benny Benson and the Alaska Flag design
1 - 2	Plenary Address: Alex Parrish from Historical Society
2 - 3	Plenary Address: Shirley Knepp from Western Jurisdiction
3 - 5	Joint HS/WJ Business Meeting
6 - 9	HSUMC: The Distinguished Service Award Banquet identifying the winners of the Saddlebag (one hour) and Ministry of Memory (half hour) awards with comments


**Wednesday,
June 28, 2017**



Walt Hays



Rev. Dan Wilcox

The bus tour day will include some sites around the Anchorage area 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.	Breakfast on campus 7-8:30 a.m. on your own 
9:00 a.m. sharp leave APU or Springhill	St. John UMC totem pole Drive by Russian Orthodox church after short visit at the Alaska Conference Office and Reference Room
11:30	Birchwood Camp for lunch with a possible stop of Chugiak UMC for Denali view Eklutna Cemetery with history of Russian missionaries in the late 1700s
1:00	Musk Ox Farm in Palmer Headquarters of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race
5:00	Dinner at Christ First UMC with a program on Native Involvement in Methodism (Charles Brower and Ray Buckley)
	Rev. Dan Wilcox will talk about the Unalaska experience (working with the fishing people and blessing of the fleet, and original Jesse Lee Home orphanage, etc.
	Potential commentaries may be given while on bus.
9:00	Return to campus

**Thursday,
June 29, 2017**

7 - 8	Breakfast on your own
8 - 8:15	Devotions
8:15 - 9	Presentation by The Rev. Dr. DarEll T. Weist - Tales from the Methodist Invasion of California
9 - 10	Speaker (perhaps on Alaska Methodist Women) (perhaps on the Russian Far East Humanitarian Mission), unfinished business
10 - 12	Memorial readings, parting comments, etc.
12	Closing Devotions
	Lunch on your own and tours and departures

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