LOUDER THAN BEFORE

HEARING NEW VOICES

Annual Conference **2012 DRAFT Agenda**, the following schedule is subject to change Site Abbreviations: (TC) Trade Center, (EC) Expo Center, (CC) Convention Center, (JKH) Juanita K. Hammons Center for the Performing Arts, (UP) University Plaza

Friday

8:00 AM Registration opens (TC)

Registration is in the Trade Center beyond the exhibits. It will be done alphabetically. *After registering, please take time to browse the exhibit mall.*

10:30 Opening Worship (EC)

Rev. Emanuel Cleaver, III

Senior Pastor at St. James UMC (Kansas City)

11:30 Opening Business (EC)

"And Are We Yet Alive"

Call to Order Bishop Robert Schnase Introductions Bishop Robert Schnase

Establishing the Bar Rev. Londia Granger Wright,

Conference Secretary

Sessions Committee Rev. Jim Barnett, Chair Standing Rules, Initial Report Rev. Karen Taylor, Chair Nominations, Initial Report Betsy Vicente, Chair

Values Team Report Rev. Michele Sue Shumake-Keller, Chair

Assistant to the Bishop for African American Leadership

Rev. Emanuel Cleaver, II

Invitation to the Street Party

Noon Lunch Break

2:00 Clergy Executive Session (EC) and Laity Session (UP)

3:30 Business Session (EC)

Board of Ordained Ministry Report Rev. Steve Breon, Chair Bishop's Message Bishop Robert Schnase

Rev. Karen Hayden, Director of Pastoral Excellence Rev. Bob Farr, Director of Congregational Excellence

5:00 Check into rooms

6:30 Street Party

Delicious food and activities. Youth and College Age bands from around the state.

8:00 Commissioning and Retirement Service Rehearsal (EC)

Saturday 7:45 AM **Youth Gathering Music & PET Parade Bishop's Learning Time (EC)** 8:00 Worshipping at the Church of Benign Whatever-ism: What the Faith of Our Teenagers Is Telling the Church Rev. Kenda Creasy Dean Professor of Youth, Church, and Culture at Princeton Theological Seminary 9:30 **Business Session**(EC) Laity Address Brian Hammons, Conference Lay Leader **Board of Trustees** Ivan James, Chair and Rev. Kendall Waller Finance & Administration Rev. Lynn Dyke, Chair **Break** 10:30 **Commissioning and Retirement Service (EC)** 10:45 Music provided by the Hallelujah Singers, Wesley UMC (Springfield) Noon **Lunch Break Bishop's Learning Time (EC)** 1:30 **Worlds Apart:** Understanding the Mindset and Values of 18-25 year olds Rev. Chuck Bomar Pastor, Colossae Church in Portland, Oregon, Founder of CollegeLeader **Workshop Overview** 2:30 Workshops 3:00 **Ordination Rehearsal** (JKH) (Ordinands and other Participants) 4:00 Workshops 4:30 5:30 **Dinner Break**

7:00 Pre-Ordination Music

7:30 Service of Ordination (JKH)

Bishop Robert Schnase

Bishop, Missouri Annual Conference

Music by combined youth choirs from around the state.

Immediately following Ordination there will be a brief rehearsal for Sunday Morning Worship.

Sunday

6:45 AM 6th Annual United Methodist Women Walk for Mission Giving (EC)

5K Run for Mission (EC)

9:00 **Bishop's Learning Time** (JKH)

The Challenge of the Ages

Bishop Robert Schnase

10:00 Break

10:30 Sunday Morning Worship Service (JKH)

Rev. Karen Hayden

As part of this service we will have a memorial time of remembrance.

Noon Lunch Break

2:00 Business Session(EC)

Clergy Support Team Marsha Kerr, Chair

Central Methodist University Marianne Inman, President and

Rev. Lucas Endicott, Campus Minister

Lydia Patterson Richard Hearne, Director of Development

United Methodist Women Mable Unser, President

Approval of Conference Advance Specials

Franklin Walker, Chair, Creative Ministries Team

Robert & Martha Marble Mission Award

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Recognition of Retirement Rev. Max Marble
Mozambique Initiative Tom Mitchell, Chair
Recognition of Retirement Carol Kreamer

Unity Award Rev. Michele Sue Shumake-Keller, Chair, Values Team

Social Justice Team Award Margie Briggs, Chair

Cokesbury Jerry Ruth Williams, UM Publishing House Board of

Directors, and Erin Kincannon Emler, Store Manager in

Overland Park

Final Consideration of Rules & Procedures

Rev. Karen Taylor, Chair

Final Consideration of Nominations Betsy Vicente, Chair

Commissioning of New Chairs & Team Members

Rev. Jeremy Vickers, Chair elect

4:30 Break for Dinner

6:00 Sunday Night at the Ballpark Cardinals vs. Arkansas

8:00 AM Bishop's Learning Time (EC)

Remember the Future:

Praying for the Church and Change

9:00 Business Session(EC)

Vital Signs of Congregations Rev. Lynn Dyke, District Superintendent

Denman Award Rev. Bob Farr, Director of Congregational Excellence

Final Consideration of Budget Rev. Lynn Dyke, Chair Episcopacy Report Larry Fagan, Chair Report of Sessions Rev. Jim Barnett, Chair

10:30 Youth & College Age Panel

11:00 Fixing the Appointments and Sending Forth