## 232<sup>nd</sup> Session of Annual Conference Proceedings

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church June 14 – June 16, 2018 Philadelphia Expo Center Oaks, PA

Thursday, June 14, 2018

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:30 a.m. Clergy Session, Laity Session

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:45 p.m. Gathering – various scripture readings and hymns

## **Opening Worship**

The service began with the reading of Luke 5:1-11 by Barbara Skarbowski. This was followed by the processional hymns "The Church's One Foundation," and "O Church of God United." Then Rev. Paul Crikelair invited the body to join him in a responsive call to worship. The body then sang "Faithful God, You Sent Your Spirit." Following the hymn, Debra Kirby invited the body to pray a unison prayer. Wilhelmina Young and Marilyn Wilt then read Psalm 138. This was followed by Barbara Revere reading 1 Corinthians 12:4-20. The body then sang the hymn "When Hands Reach Out." Afterward, Bishop Peggy Johnson introduced Rev. Justin Hancock, who delivered a message titled "We Are the Body of Christ: Unity Within And Through Diversity."

In the message, Rev. Hancock spoke of how we need to develop a body of "fullness, and not just wholeness." To do this, he said that we need to understand what Paul meant by the phrase "the body of Christ," and how this meaning involves seeking to reach out to all people. He also shared how people with disabilities have tremendous gifts to offer not only the church but also the world. He then explained that this involves the Church not only being "open minded," but also "barrier free" in terms of access and involvement because our liberation is bound up in one another's liberation, and our unity is found within and through our diversity.

After the message, the body sang the hymn "Draw the Circle Wide." This was followed by a prayer of confession, pronouncement of pardon, and the offering. Bishop Peggy Johnson then led by the body through the prayer of Great Thanksgiving. As the elements were received, the hymn "Come to the Table of Grace" was sung. This was followed by a prayer by Bishop Peggy Johnson, and Brenda Del Rosario, Diana Wrisley, Barbara Skarbowski, and Colleen Kristula leading the body in a responsive prayer. Bishop Johnson then pronounced the benediction, Rev. Justin Hancock made a statement for the "sending forth," and the body sang "God of Grace and God of Glory" as the recessional hymn.

## Convening/Organization

Following a short break, Bishop Peggy Johnson reminded the conference that it is our tradition to remember the history of the land on which we meet. She then asked Rev. Gary Jacabella to lead the body through a Native American prayer of the four directions. Afterward, Bishop Peggy Johnson called the 232<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Eastern Pennsylvania Annual Conference to order. The body then sang the hymn "And Are We Yet Alive." After everyone was seated, Bishop Peggy Johnson shared that she had been given a wampum belt by CONAM, and that in Native American tradition when it is present it signifies that everything will be said in truth

and promote peace. She then placed it on the table in front of her as symbol to promote peace and truth in our holy conferencing.

## Presiding Table Introductions

Bishop Peggy Johnson introduced those at the presiding table: David Koch, (Conference Lay Leader), Rev. Bruce Rogers (Parliamentarian), Rev. Lloyd Speer (Conference Secretary), and Jose Tirado (Youth Delegate), who led an opening prayer.

## Adoption of the Agenda

Bishop Peggy Johnson called on Rev. Lloyd Speer to present the agenda. The agenda, which had been printed in the annual conference packet, was approved.

## **Organizational and Procedural Motion**

Rev. Lloyd Speer defined the area from within which voting would take place, and made a motion to establish that area as the bar of the conference. The motion was approved.

## Rules of Order

Rev. Lloyd Speer presented the Rules of Order, which had been printed in the annual conference packets. He moved their adoption. The Rules of Order were approved.

## **Explanation and Revote on Constitutional Amendment 1**

Rev. Lloyd Speer explained that there had been an error in the printed copy of Constitutional Amendment 1 voted on at last year's annual conference. He then explained that General Conference had therefore sent out a corrected version that would need to be voted on this year, with the corrected copy in the materials packet. Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm introduced the constitutional amendment and its rationale, and Rev. Lloyd Speer explained who would be eligible to vote. The vote was then taken.

## **Consent Calendar**

Rev. Lloyd Speer presented the Consent Calendar, which consisted of Resolutions 2018-02 through 2018-11, as well as resolutions 2018-16, 2018-17, 2018-19, and 2018-21. He then explained that since the Consent Calendar contained suggested changes to our Rules of Order, it would be set aside for 6 hours, and brought back for a vote.

## Points of Personal Privilege

Bishop Peggy Johnson asked that requests for points of personal privilege be brought to the Conference Secretary, with a brief description of the request, and she would recognize those requests prior to adjournment.

## Monitoring Committee Report

In both Spanish and English, Rev. Alicia Julia- Stanley and Rev. Sharon Barley explained that the monitoring process for this year would involve everyone using a reporting form that could be placed in boxes around the plenary area. They said that the monitoring committee would then read the submissions, and use them in their reports to the annual conference. They also spoke about ways to be sensitive to others, and inclusive in the ways we interact with others.

## Conference Treasurer Vote

Irene Dickinson. chairperson on the Conference Council on Finance and Administration presented James Brown as the candidate being recommended as the new Annual Conference Treasurer. The body elected him as Conference Treasurer.

## Conference Chancellor Vote

James Brown invited Rob Shoemaker forward. He then explained that Rob would be retiring. The body then recognized Rob for 41 years of work on behalf of the conference. James Brown

then introduced Matthew Morley as the candidate being recommended as the new conference chancellor. The body elected him as Conference Chancellor.

## **Guest Introductions**

Dawn Taylor-Storm introduced Rev. James Boye-Caulker, a District Superintendent in Sierra Leone. Bishop Peggy Johnson then introduced Rev. Steve Wolma, director of Admissions at Lancaster Theological Seminary, and Dai Morgan, of PA Advocacy. Each one addressed the body briefly.

## Episcopacy Committee Report

Scott McDermott introduced Rev. Michael Johnson, sharing some of Michael's ministry efforts beyond being the spouse of our bishop, and thanked him for using his gifts to benefit our annual conference.

## Nominations Committee Report

Carlen Blackstone explained that the Nominations Committee has been renamed the Committee on Leadership as part of a new process for handling the leadership needs of our annual conference. Carlen then led the body through an outline of the new process the committee would be using to identify gifted people so that our various ministries are able to do their work effectively. A key part of her presentation was the introduction of an online gift self assessment tool that will be a key part of the process. Carlen then displayed corrections already made to the printed report in conference packets.

6:15 p.m. Gathering Music (Lydia Munoz)

6:30 p.m. Holy Conferencing

Bishop Peggy Johnson called the body back into session. She then led the body in prayer.

## Statistical Report

Gordon Yocum presented the conference statistical report. In that report, he shared that conference worship attendance continued to decline in all districts. However, a bright spot was that 38 churches reported an increase of at least 10%, with 86 churches growing attendance. Sunday School attendance also increased slightly in 2017. Other positives were Christian formation numbers remaining good, and mission involvement and giving continuing to increase.

## Time of Dialogue

Bishop Peggy Johnson presented an overview of the work of the Way Forward Commission, with a brief explanation about the three plans the commission presented to the Council of Bishops, along with the Council of Bishop's recommendation that the 2019 Special Session of General Conference approve the option labeled the "One Church Plan." This was followed by a presentation by Rev. Joan Trout on behalf of the Wesleyan Covenant Association, and Jerry Noone on behalf of the United Methodist Reconciling Ministries. Bishop Peggy Johnson then invited the body to speak at their tables about the Way Forward Commission report, and the various options that may be considered at the 2019 Special Session of General Conference.

## **Celebration of Conference Ministries**

Rev. Gordon Hendrickson led a presentation of several conference ministries as a newscast program, showing videos and having individual persons making reports. They covered ministries that are "creating disciples," such as The Four Stations of the Holy Spirit, a youth ministry program, and Mission Insight.

## Lay Leader Report

Suzette James reported that the Conference Board of Laity Session has nominated David Koch to serve a second term as Conference Lay Leader, and that the Laity has Session endorsed him as well. The Conference elected him as Lay Leader for the next four years. David Koch then gave a report, touching on Laity Academy, Laity Retreat, and the Tools For Ministry workshops. He then shared about a community outreach program through Wesley Church in Bethlehem called the Lehigh Valley Outreach Depot, and presented a video from United Methodist Communications about service.

## Deaconess

David Koch presented Barbara Drake, the conference's newest deaconess, to the body.

## United Methodist Women

Susan Dzuik and Gladys Hubbard spoke about the work of United Methodist Women, and shared the idea of "the power of bold" in women who did great things for God and the Church. They also shared information about Assembly Day, the goal of raising \$60 million for the Legacy Fund, and numerous other ways they are involved in mission.

## United Methodist Men

Clifford Hubbard spoke about the effort of the EPC United Methodist Men's group to strengthen local churches through various initiatives. Their goals for the next year are strengthening existing UMM groups, increasing the number of churches that have chartered men's groups, reaching out to young men, and increasing relationships with scout groups. He spoke about the potato drop, Dorney Park Day, UM Night at the Phillies, and the annual men's meeting. He also spoke about partnering with the conference to promote armed intruder training (called ALICE).

Rev. Lloyd Speer made several announcements. Rebecca Parsons, Northeast Jurisdiction Global Ministries Missionary, offered a closing prayer. Bishop Peggy Johnson adjourned the session.

## Friday June 15, 2018

7:30 a.m. Communion Service with the Order of St. Luke

8:45 a.m. Gathering Music (The New Life Praise Dancers)

## **Teaching Sessions**

Bishop Peggy Johnson introduced Rev. Eric Law, founder and director of Kaleidoscope Institute. He began by leading the body in singing new words to the tune Doxology. He then read several scriptures, and spoke about how God created the earth and then sustained it, by recycling what He created. He illustrated this by talking about gardening, and how in plants and vegetables we see how the whole creation is tied together. For example, the waste of one thing gives sustenance to something else, with new things seemingly coming out of nothing. He then spoke about John 6:12, and highlighted the words "that nothing may be lost."

This led Eric to say that our job is to circulate God's blessings and not hoard them, for this is God's cycle of blessing. He explained that stagnate water is a good illustration of what happens when we hoard the resources God gives us. He then invited several people to join him on the stage, and led them through an exercise to show how when we are generous everyone benefits.

Finally, Rev. Law had volunteers come forward to act out what a loving community might look like, what a community that reaches out looks like, and what a community that does both looks like, and led the body in singing a new song written by Bishop Desmond Tutu and his daughter. He then explained that to develop a sustainable and missional ministry we need to recycle five currencies: time & place, gracious leadership, relationship, truth, and wellness.

Rev. Lloyd Speer shared announcements. Rev. Marilyn Schneider offered the meal grace, and Bishop Peggy Johnson adjourned the session.

1:15 p.m. Gathering Music (Lima UMC Praise Band)

1:30 p.m. Holy Conferencing

Bishop Peggy Johnson called the body back into session.

#### **Historic Questions**

Rev. Johnson Dodla presented this year's candidates for ordination and commissioning. Bishop Peggy Johnson asked them the historic questions.

#### Retiree Recognition Service

The service then began with a call to worship by Mercedes Case, followed by a scripture reading by Dorcas Kumba Kamada and Bradley Light. This was followed by the singing of a verse of the hymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness," and then a video word of witness by this year's retirees. This was followed by the singing of another verse of the hymn, and the passing of the mantle from retirees to those about to be ordained. After the singing of another verse of the hymn, Walter Unterberger introduced the Welsey Covenant Prayer, which was led by the retirees through a video presentation. This was followed by the hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty." Bishop Johnson then gave the benediction, and Diana Esposito pronounced the Sending Forth.

After the service, Bishop Johnson called the body back into session.

#### Resolution 2018-15

Collen Painter presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. The resolution was approved.

## **Financial Overview & Budget Presentation**

Irene Dickenson and James Brown (Conference Treasurer) presented the 2019 Budget proposal. They also pointed out that in the 2019 budget there is an increase in the line item for clergy moving expenses, in accordance with Resolution 2015-09, which raises the reimbursement amount in each of the three categories by \$500. The budget, along with the change to clergy moving expense reimbursement, was approved.

#### Resolution 2018-24

Irene Dickenson and James Brown presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved.

#### Resolution 2018-25

Bill Lentz, David Brown, and Betty Henderson presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved.

#### Resolution 2018-12

Robert Erb presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, but the resolution was not approved.

## Resolution 2018-13

Barbara Drake presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved.

### Monitoring Report/Call to Action

Dave Goss thanked people for submitting comments cards. He shared that diverse representation in presentations were noted by the body, as was attention to the needs of those with disabilities. Rev. Susan Worrell shared that concerns still remain with the safety of seating, visibility of displays, and inclusion of everyone.

#### **Call to Action Report**

Rev. Shayla Johnson and Rev. Anita Powell presented a report on the Northeast Jurisdiction Call to Action to become more proactive in addressing racism, white privilege, internalized oppression, and institutional racism. Rev. Johnson then spoke about ways this conference has responded, and Rev. Powell spoke about the way Bishop Peggy Johnson has personally participated in numerous efforts toward this end. Rev. Powell also spoke to ways that the annual conference will continue to seek to address situations of institutional racism and injustice.

#### District Superintendent's Report

The cabinet presented their annual report in rap and song, sharing "all the places" they've been, and the things they've done, in their roles as district superintendents. Rev. Steve Morton was presented as the incoming superintendent for the North District, and Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm was announced as the incoming Dean of the Cabinet.

#### **Recognition of New Appointments**

Bishop Peggy Johnson asked all clergy moving to a new appointment, and all church members receiving a new pastor, to stand. Then she offered a prayer.

#### Resolution 2018-01A

Rev. Bumkoo Chung presented the resolution, with the correction of deleting the final "be it further resolved" paragraph. The resolution was approved.

## **Celebration of Conference Ministries**

Mike Rheinert and Lukie Cotto introduced a video that highlighted numerous ministries working toward diversity, especially in relation to disabilities. Rev. Dave Goss shared about East Bangor UMC, and its decisions to address access to church facilities for those with disabilities. Suzette James presented the Kim Jefferson Urban Ministries Award to 2 effective and/or emerging ministries on each district. Ken Sloane then presented the "One Matters Award" to Cokesbury UMC in Marcus Hook. Finally, the Denman Evangelism Award was presented to Apryl Miller and Rev. Richard Conner.

#### Nominations Report and Vote

Carlen Blackstone presented the revised and corrected nominations report. It was approved.

#### Consent Calendar Vote

The Consent Calendar was brought back to the floor, with the deletion of Resolution 2018-08, which was a duplication. It was approved.

After announcements were made by Rev. Lloyd Speer, Rev. Hun Ju Lee offered prayer.

## Ordination Service

The service began with Tracy Duncan leading the body in the call to worship. This was followed by the singing of the processional hymns "Crown Him with Many Crowns" and "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," as well as "To God Be the Glory." Bishop Peggy Johnson then led the

congregation in an opening prayer, and an affirmation of baptismal vows. This was followed by the hymn "Spirit Song." Barbara Drake introduced two missionaries for commissioning, and Bishop Peggy Johnson asked the commissioning questions. David Koch and Rev. Gary Knerr introduced the candidates for ordination. Rev. Tiffany Manning and Rev. Johnson Dodla presented the candidates for commissioning. Bishop Peggy Johnson led the body in a statement giving their assent, and then asked the candidates the examination questions. This was followed by a musical presentation by the Philadelphia Mass Choir. Rev. Candy LaBar read the gospel reading from Matthew 28:16-20. Bishop Peggy Johnson then introduced several guests, as well as the preacher for the night: Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi.

Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi began her message speaking about change, and how we are all here because of the changes God has brought about in our lives. She stated that she had been a school psychologist for 17 years, and how people in that field see crazy everywhere – including in the Church. Crazy is not mental illness, she said, but a choice where actions lack reason and contradict belief. After giving examples of the way the Church can be crazy in its doublemindedness, she stated that this is especially the case in relation to change. She then stated that the Church will be very different 50 years from now, so we need to be willing to change with it so we don't inhibit God from doing what He wants to do. She then challenged the ordination candidates to be change agents.

After the message, the body sang the hymn "Lord, You Give the Great Commission." This was followed by the offering. After the offering, Clifton Hubbard prayed. This was followed by the recognition of orders, commissioning of missionaries, ordination of Elders and Deacons, and commissioning toward Elder and Deacon. Interspersed between each of these acts was the singing of verses of "This Little Light of Mine." The body then sang "Here I Am, Lord," Bishop Peggy Johnson pronounced the benediction, and the closing hymns "Go to the World" and "Go, Make of All Disciples" were sung.

## Saturday, June 18, 2018

- 7:30 a.m. Communion Service with the Order of St. Luke
- 8:45 a.m. Gathering Music (Eric Carr)
- 9:00 am Holy Conferencing

Bishop Peggy Johnson introduced Jess Eden (Youth Delegate), and asked her to open the session with prayer.

## Native American Update

Verna Colliver, Rev. Cheryl Trent, and Rev. Gary Jacabella presented a report on behalf of the Conference Commission on Native American Ministries. They spoke about the ongoing nature of the Act of Repentance, and the services of repentance that were meant to be the beginning of a journey to not only make our churches open to all people, but also to giving an empowering presence to Native American people. Ways this has been done involved encouraging each local church to elect a Native American Ministry representative, beginning annual conference each year with a blessing of the land, and supporting Native American Awareness Sunday.

## Resolution 2018-20

Rev. Suzanne Duchesne presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved.

## Resolution 2018-23

Verna Colliver presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. The resolution was approved.

## Celebration of Conference Ministries

John Coleman and David Piltz began their presentation by talking about the importance of connecting with our communities. A video was then shown that highlighted our conference camps. This was followed by David Piltz doing a simulated interview with Jess Eden and Jose Tirado (Youth Delegates). After this, the 2018 Faith Sharing Workshop was highlighted, and a video was shown featuring Rev. Jasmine Smothers.

## Resolution 2018-14

Rev. Joe DiPaolo presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed. When time for the Memorial Service drew near, discussion of the resolution was suspended until the afternoon session.

## Memorial Service

Rev. Irving Cotto began the service with words of gathering and grace. This was followed by the processional hymn "The Old Rugged Cross." Yvette Davis then led the body in an opening prayer, and Rev. Bumkoo Chung read several verses from John 1. This was followed by the singing of the hymn "All My Days." Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm read 1 Corinthians 15:50-58, and Bishop Peggy Johnson shared a message titled "Die Like You are Living." In her message, she quoted a song by Tim McGraw titled "Live Like You Were Dying," and stated that Christians need to not only seek to live the best way they can but also live in light of the fact that we shall one day die. For we not only do not have to be afraid of death, what we do can have eternal consequences.

After the message, Rev. Tracy Bass led a litany of remembrance. This was followed by special music by Rev. Carr & Greater Dimension Ministries Praise Team. The names of those being remembered were then read, followed by a sung prayer response using the hymn "Be Still My Soul." Susan Kepner read from Isaiah 43, and Rev. Anita Powell led a remembrance of Avon" Zion, the one church that closed this year. A closing prayer was led by Mei-Ling Blackstone, Bishop Peggy Johnson gave the benediction, and the closing hymn "We'll Understand It Better By and By" was sung.

At the conclusion of the service, the body was dismissed for lunch.

- 1:15 p.m. Gathering Music (New Life Dancers)
- 1:30 p.m. Holy Conferencing

Bishop Peggy Johnson called the body back into session, and offered a word of prayer. She then introduced Christian Revell (Youth Delegate).

### Resolution 2018-14

Bishop Peggy Johnson brought the resolution back to the floor, and resumed discussion where it had been stopped before lunch. When the time to vote was reached, a standing vote was requested, and the vote was taken, but not immediately reported.

## 50th Anniversary Presentation

Rev. Fred Day reminded the body that the United Methodist Church is celebrating its 50th anniversary. He recounted how 1968 was a turbulent time that was full of division, much like our current time, and yet the Church came together in union. Rev. Robert Wilt then shared how his family's history mirrored the coming together of the two sides of the merger, having had members of his family baptized by Philip William Otterbein.

## Resolution 2018-14

Bishop Peggy Johnson reported that there were questions raised about the vote, and called for another standing vote to be taken. The revote was then taken.

### Years of Ministry Celebration

The celebration began with the singing of a verse of the hymn "O Breath of Life." Rev. Fred Day then read from the words of Albert Outler's sermon at the uniting conference 50 years earlier. Bishop Peggy Johnson and others then led the body through a litany prayer. People who were part of the previous denominations before the merger were asked to stand and pray a unison prayer. Everyone was then invited to stand and pray a unison prayer. This was followed by the singing of another verse of "O Breath of Life." The celebration ended with a closing prayer, and the final verse of "O Breath of Life" was sung.

## Resolution 2018-14

Rev. Lloyd Speer reported that the resolution did not pass.

#### Congo Partnership Report

Dulivanette (Annette) Onema-Orbach began the presentation with a prayer. She then shared words of greeting from the Central Congo Conference, reviewed how the partnership came about, and explained what it is trying to accomplish. She stated that the main goal is to be a witness to the world, and a sign of hope, creating a healthy partnership between brothers and sisters in Christ across cultures in a way that is transformational and inspirational. Jonathan Baker and Donna Baker (now retired from the Board of Global Ministries) then showed a video of the work being done through the partnership. This was followed by Rev. Bob Wilt and Rev. Dawn Taylor-Storm sharing personal reflections of their recent trip to the Congo.

## Resolution 2018-26

Rev. Nicholas Camacho presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved. After the vote, an offering was also taken for the recovery of The United Methodist Church of Puerto Rico.

## Resolution 2018-18

Rev. Deborah Tanksley-Brown and Rev. Jim McIntire presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved.

#### Resolution 2018-22

Jerry Noone presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, a resolution to postpone indefinitely was made, and the resolution was postponed.

#### Resolution 2018-27

Rev. Timothy Duchesne and Rev. Victor Jimenez presented the resolution, and moved its adoption. Discussion followed, and the resolution was approved as amended.

#### Resolution 2018-28L

Rev. Lloyd Speer explained that a late resolution had been submitted, and given the events that the resolution addresses Conference Sessions has agreed to recommend that the body amend the agenda to allow the resolution to be presented. Bishop Johnson called for a vote of the body to decide if it would allow the resolution to be added to the agenda. The body approved. Lukie Cotto and Ruth Daugherty presented the resolution. The body approved the resolution.

#### **CLM Graduation**

Judy Ehninger reported that there were nine graduates in this year's Certified Lay Minister program: Thomasenia Harrell, Marge Kramer, Nancy Langerfield, Elouise Nedwood, Cathy

Cramer, Lela Hartranft, Sheri Kwntner, Scott Rafferty, and Roger Kresge. Judy also thanked the instructors, and Bishop Peggy Johnson for her support of this program.

## iCare Team

Rev. Jim Todd explained that the team works with congregations, victims, and perpetrators in relation to sexual misconduct and/or abuse, at the request of the bishop and the cabinet. Their role is to provide whatever support and services are needed to provide healing and wholeness to all persons involves in such issues. Brochures explaining their work are available on the conference web site.

## **Monitoring Report**

Debra Kirby thanked the many members of the body who submitted comment cards during the course of the conference sessions. Rev. Alicia Julia-Stanley shared some of the responses received, and the issues raised by those responses.

## **Celebration of Conference Ministries**

David Piltz and Rev. Anita Powell spoke about the need for our various ministries to be committed to love and justice.

Rev. Lloyd Speer made a number of final announcements. Rev. Lloyd Speer then made the motion to adjourn the 232nd session of the Eastern Pennsylvania Annual Conference.

## Offerings

EPC Scholarship Offering: \$6,428.34 BOOM Scholarships: \$4,890.49 Puerto Rico Relief: \$7,511.57 Youth Services: \$787.00

## Secretarial Staff

These minutes, with the processing of amendments offered from the floor, as well as the counting of votes at various points in the proceedings, would not have been possible without the help of the following persons: Kofi Ashley, Tracy, Duncan, Narie Grayson, Monica Guepet, Alicia Julia-Stanley, Carlotta Madison, Debra Neild, Lygea Madison, Tiffany Manning, Israel Olivieri, Stephen Speer, Mark Terry, and Ann Timber.

# Certificate of Ordination

This certifies that on June 16, 2017, at The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA, in accordance with the action of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference and the Ordinal of The United Methodist Church, I ordain as

> Elders Walter Jerome Unterberger Dorcas Kumba Kamanda Deanna Marie Geiter Mercedes O'Connor Case Bradley Matthew Leight

> > <u>Deacon</u> Diana Esposito

This certifies that on June 16, 2017, at The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA, in accordance with the action of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference and the Ordinal of The United Methodist Church, I recognize as

> Elders Rodney Brailsford Towanda Connelly Lori Wagner Shayla Johnson Tamie Scalise Laurie Pfahler Greg Impink

Deacon Jane Dutton Shellie Sterner

Peggy Q. Johnson

Peggy A. Johnson Bishop