NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON CHRISTIAN UNITY 2017

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

May 1 -4 | Minneapolis, Minnesota

Hilton Minneapolis in Downtown

REFORM, REPENT, RECONCILE
Welcome to the 2017 the National Workshop on Christian Unity and to the Twin Cities! The Workshop continues to be the only national gathering of its kind in the world. The event brings together ecumenical representatives, ecumenists, and interested members from all churches who share one faith, one baptism in Jesus Christ. This year’s Workshop includes a rich program of plenaries and seminars, a special concert and banquet, off-site tours, and opportunities to join together in prayer.

Reform, Repent, Reconcile. A primary focus at the 2017 Workshop is the commemoration of the 500th anniversary of events in the Wittenberg of 1517—events that initiated both a series of reforms and hostilities among Christians in western Europe. It is a time to remember reforms, reformers, and reformations in the life of the Church. And it is a time to work together on our common journey to heal the wounds of discord and separation so that the world may believe.

New in 2017. There are several new features at the 2017 Workshop. Several national denominational leaders are joining with us to mark the amazing gifts of reconciliation that we have experienced over the past several decades. These gifts include new relationships among church bodies, as well as new commitments to restoring communion among traditions.

An evening concert and hymn festival on Tuesday reflects on themes of reform, repentance, and reconciliation.

On Wednesday, attendees have the opportunity to get out of the hotel and tour ecclesial art and architecture in the Twin Cities. Working on a service ministry is also an option. Plenary sessions on-site highlight current approaches to ecumenical and interreligious engagement. And there is intentional time to work on initiatives to serve the people of God.

Please take advantage of all that is offered at the 2017 Workshop! Most importantly, this is a time for fellowship from which friendships can develop, friendships that are the starting place and cornerstone of any work of unity in the Body of Christ. We discover that there is so much more that we share than there are differences which have separated us for far too long.
At the Hotel
The Hilton’s Sky Water Restaurant on the ground floor is open throughout the day and also offers in-room dining. The hotel has a complimentary fitness center, indoor pool, and sauna on the second floor.
Check-out: 12:00 noon
Front Desk 1-612-376-1000
Self-parking: $14.00/all day
Valet: $27.00 (24 Hours)

Downtown Minneapolis
The Hilton Minneapolis is in the heart of the city’s downtown. The hotel is connected to points of interest throughout the downtown, including City Center, by the Minneapolis Skyway. The hotel is within walking distance to shops along the Nicollet Street Mall, dozens of restaurants in all price ranges, and many area attractions. Check the visitors’ site at www.minneapolis.org/
Note: Construction work is underway on the Nicollet Street Mall in 2017.

Transport | Hotel to Airport
LIGHT RAIL | The Blue Line serves points between downtown and the Airport (and the Mall of America). It runs every 7.5 minutes during rush hour and 10-15 minutes during non-rush hour. Travel time to the Airport is approximately 25 minutes. Fares vary between $1.75 - $2.25.
Note: there are rail stops at two different terminals at the Airport.
Check to see if your airline uses the Humphrey Terminal or the Lindbergh Terminal.
In downtown Minneapolis, the Blue Line runs along 5th Street. The closest rail stations to the Hilton are at Government Plaza Station (5th Street & 3rd Avenue) or at Nicollet Mall Station (5th Street & Nicollet Avenue). The Hotel is located at the corner of 11th Street and Marquette Avenue, about a ½ mile walk to the stations along 5th Street.
For more information on rail and bus go to: www.metrotransit.org

OTHER TRANSPORT OPTIONS TO AIRPORT
LIMOUSINE | typical minimum charge: $60
SUPER SHUTTLE | typical minimum charge: $17
TAXI | typical charge: $40

DRIVING TO THE AIRPORT

OTHER WAYS TO GET AROUND
The Free Bus — Runs along Hennepin Avenue in downtown. There is a bus stop at 11th Street by the Hilton’s main lobby entrance. Look for signs saying “Free Bus.” Easy way to get to light rail stops along 5th Street.
Nice Ride — Rent a bike at any of the 200 bike stations throughout Minneapolis. The cost is $3 per ½ hour from the time the bike leaves a station until it is returned to a station. Up to 4 bikes can be rented at a time on a single credit card.
For more information on bike rental, see www.niceridemn.org/
Overview
The National Workshop blends both a general program designed for all individuals interested in church unity, along with denominational network programs tailored for ecumenical and interreligious officers from sponsoring church bodies. Plenaries and other events sponsored by networks throughout the four-day workshop are open to all attendees—and you are welcome.

Throughout the Week
Note: all meeting spaces are on the hotel’s 2nd level. See floor layout map on page 16.

Workshop Office
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | Symphony IV

Bookstore and Displays
Daily | Conrad IV and Conrad Foyer

Liturgy and Meditation Space
Daily | Symphony III

Meals
Breakfasts, Luncheons, Banquet
Marquette Rooms

Network Meeting Rooms
Catholic Association of Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (CADEIO) | Symphony I
Consortium of Evangelical Networks for Unity (CEN)
Conrad A (Monday-Tuesday)
Conrad B (Thursday)
Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (EDEIO) | Conrad B
Lutheran Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Representatives Network (LEIRN) | Conrad C
United Methodist Ecumenical and Interreligious Training (UMEIT)
Marquette I & II on Monday
Conrad A (Wednesday—Thursday)

Sunday, 30 April
National Planning Committee
7:00—9:00 p.m. | Symphony I

Monday, 1 May
Registration
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | Symphony Promenade
Workshop registration and network registration are adjacent.
Note: After Monday, Registration is located in the Workshop Office in Symphony IV.

Network Meetings
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
*On Monday, the schedules and start times for meetings vary for each network. See listings of meetings for each network on pages 9-13.

Newcomers’ Orientation
—all first time workshop attendees are welcome!
4:00 to 4:45 p.m.
Symphony II

Opening Reception
5:15 to 6:15 p.m. | Saint Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral
519 Oak Grove Street—near West 15th Street
Distance: 0.9 miles
    18 minutes
    12 minutes
See map on page 18 for walking directions.
The reception is hosted by the cathedral community at St. Mark’s.

Opening Worship
6:30 p.m. | Saint Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral
Order for Choral Evensong
Preacher: The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate, The Episcopal Church
**Tuesday, 2 May**

**Breakfast | sponsor: Graymoor Institute**
7:15 to 8:00 a.m | Marquette Rooms

**Workshop Eucharist | Roman Catholic Rite**
8:15 to 9:15 a.m | Symphony III

**Bible Study**
9:20 to 10:00 a.m | Symphony III
The Rev. Grace Imathiu, Pastor, Community United Methodist Church, Naperville, Illinois

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**Workshop Plenary: After 500 Years: Catholics and Lutherans on the Way Together**
10:15 to 11:45 a.m | Symphony II
The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
The Most Rev. Denis J. Madden, retired Auxiliary Bishop, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Baltimore

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**Workshop Luncheon**
12:00 to 2:00 p.m | Marquette Rooms
Attendees continue the conversation on the theme of On the Way Together over lunch. A facilitated dialogue takes place, led by Fr. Don Rooney, immediate past president of the CADEIO network.

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**Concert and Hymn Festival: Called to Unity**
David Cherwien, Conductor
7:00 p.m | Saint Olaf’s Roman Catholic Church
215 South 8th Street—at 2nd Avenue
Distance: 0.2 miles | See map on page 17.
5 minutes
3 minutes + parking
The music for this concert is framed around the five commitments in the joint Lutheran-Roman Catholic statement titled From Conflict to Communion.

David Cherwien is the Conductor for the National Lutheran Choir.
The free will offering defers the costs for the concert.

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**Wednesday, 3 May**

**Breakfast | sponsor: ACT3 Network and Christian History Institute**
7:15 to 8:00 a.m | Marquette Rooms

**Workshop Eucharist | Methodist Rite**
8:15 to 9:15 a.m | Symphony III

**Bible Study**
9:20 to 10:15 a.m | Symphony III
The Rev. Grace Imathiu

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**Joint Network Plenaries**
2:15 to 4:45 p.m | concurrent

- Catholic—Lutheran Joint Plenary
  Symphony II

- Episcopal—Methodist Joint Plenary
  Symphony I

- Evangelical & Emerging Networks Joint Plenary | Conrad A

Descriptions of the joint plenaries are on pages 9-13.
Wednesday, 3 May (continued)

Network Meetings
10:30 to 11:45 a.m. | concurrent
Note: Information on each of the network meetings is on pages 9-13.

Catholic Association of Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (CADEIO) | Symphony I
Consortium of Evangelical Networks for Unity (CEN) Symphony II
Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (EDEIO) | Conrad B
Lutheran Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Representatives Network (LEIRN) | Conrad C
United Methodist Ecumenical and Interreligious Training (UMEIT) | Conrad A

Workshop Luncheon
12:00 to 1:30 p.m. | Marquette Rooms
Attendees sit by geographical regions for conversation on advancing state and local ecumenical and interreligious initiatives.

Afternoon Sessions
2:00 to 5:00 p.m. | concurrent | off-site & on-site

Service Ministry—Central Lutheran Church
333 South 12th Street—at 4th Avenue South
Assist with moving clothing available for those in need.
followed by refreshments at Thrivent Center
625 Fourth Avenue South—at South 7th Street
Distance to church: 0.25 miles
- 6 minutes
- 4 minutes + parking
Distance from Thrivent back to hotel: 0.5 miles
See map on page 18 for directions.

Interfaith Series | Four-Parts
2:00 to 5:00 p.m. | Symphony II
Each session runs approximately 40 minutes with a 5-10 minute break in between.

Session 1: Refugee Resettlement & Ministry
Episcopal Migration Ministries, the refugee resettlement program of The Episcopal Church, recognizes that more than 43 million persons have been forcibly uprooted in the world today. The program strives to provide welcome, relief, and assistance through creative partnerships.

Ms. Allison Duvall, Manager of Church Relations and Engagement for Episcopal Migration Ministries
Wednesday, 3 May (continued)

Interfaith Series (continued) | Symphony II
5-10 minute break in between sessions.

Interfaith Series Session 2: Minnesota Council of Churches
The Minnesota Council of Churches sees its mission as manifesting unity in the church and lifting up the common good. The Council is active in ministry to refugees and immigrants.
The Rev. Jerad Morey, Pastor of Northfield United Methodist Church, Minnesota Council of Churches Communications Director
The Rev. Cynthia Bronson Sweigert, Taking Heart Organizer
Mr. Ben Walen, Program Director, Refugee Services at the Minnesota Council of Churches

Interfaith Series Session 3: Muslim Christian Cooperation in Ministry
Augsburg College in Minneapolis, a college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, hosts cooperative ministry between Christians and Muslims. Collaborative work includes responding to and welcoming new immigrant communities in both campus and congregational settings.
Ms. Fardosa Hassan, Muslim Student Program Associate at Augsburg College
The Rev. Mike Matson, Pastor at Bethany Lutheran Church and Chaplain to Student Athletes at Augsburg College

Interfaith Series Session 4: Preserving the Christian Heritage in the Middle East
This session provides an introduction overview of the efforts of the Hill Museum and Manuscript Library at St. John’s University to save handwritten culture in the Middle East and Beyond.
Dr. Daniel K. Gullo, Curator of the Malta Study Center and Assistant Director of Hill Museum and Manuscript Library, Saint John’s University, Collegeville

Wednesday Evening Banquet
7:00 p.m. | Hilton Hotel | Marquette Rooms
Keynote: The Rev. Canon Peg Chamberlin, Executive Director, Minnesota Council of Churches
The banquet is included in the cost for full workshop registration.
Tickets for individuals not registered for the workshop are $55 and must be purchased by May 1st.

Thursday, 4 May

Contemplative Prayer
8:15 to 8:45 a.m. | Symphony III
Rev. Grace Imathiu

Ecumenical Engagement Seminars

Ecumenical Engagement Seminar 1: Social and Environmental Justice
9:00 to 10:30 a.m. | Symphony II
Learn about the ecumenical and inter-religious dimensions of work for social justice and environmental justice in disadvantaged and disenfranchised communities. The speakers bring to light experiences with polluted water sources, megaproject disruption, and displacement.
Ms. Jill Fleishman, Chair and founding member of the Native American Justice Council, Iliff School of Theology
The Rev. Monica M. Villarreal, Pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, Flint, Michigan

Ecumenical Engagement Seminar 2: Moral Imperative to Address Climate Change
9:00 to 10:30 a.m. | Symphony I
How are faith communities responding to the challenges of climate change and how might we work together as stewards of God’s creation and witnesses to God’s love? Discover the dialogue, debate, and actions being taken by people of faith to address mitigation of and adaptation to climate change.
Mr. Alexei Laushkin, President of the Kingdom Mission Society
Mr. Tyler Sit, Church Planter, New City Church
Mr. Michael Terrien, Obl. OSB, Chicago
Thursday, 4 May (continued)
Ecumenical Engagement Seminars (continued)

Ecumenical Engagement Seminar 3: Liturgy and Prayer
9:00 to 10:30 a.m. | Symphony III
Planning an ecumenical prayer service that integrates various forms and music can be a challenge. This is especially true when the situation includes racial tension and community crisis. Last summer, when Philando Castile was shot by a St. Anthony police officer, his pastor at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church approached the Roman Catholic Cathedral of St. Paul about holding the funeral there. Hear the story of ecumenical collaboration and its value for community and church relations.
The Rev. Dr. Steve Daniels Jr., Pastor of Shiloh Missionary Church in St. Paul

Ecumenical Engagement Seminar 4: Christian Witness in a Multi-Religious World
9:00 to 10:30 a.m. | Conrad A
This seminar explores Christian Witness in a Multi-Religious World, a joint ecumenical effort of the World Council of Churches, the World Evangelical Alliance, and the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue. Excerpt: “Proclaiming the word of God and witnessing to the world is essential for every Christian. At the same time, it is necessary to do so according to gospel principles, with full respect and love for all human beings.”
The Rev. Dr. John H. Armstrong, Founder and President of ACT3 Network
The Rev. Don Rooney, Pastor of St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Springfield, Virginia

Outcomes and Sending Prayer
10:45 to 11:15 a.m. | Marquette Rooms
Network Presidents

Workshop Brunch
11:15 a.m. | Marquette Rooms

Network Leadership Meetings: Boards and/or Planning Teams
1:00 to 2:30 p.m. | concurrent
Catholic Association of Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (CADEIO) | Symphony I
Consortium of Evangelical Networks for Unity (CEN) | Conrad B
Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (EDEIO) - no afternoon meeting
Lutheran Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Representatives Network (LEIRN) | Conrad C
United Methodist Ecumenical and Interreligious Training (UMEIT) | Conrad A

National Planning Committee Meeting
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Symphony I

Friday, 5 May
National Planning Committee Meeting
9:00 to 11:45 a.m. | Symphony I
Monday, 1 May

CADEIO Board Meeting
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Basilica of Saint Mary | Cowley Center, Wagner Room
1600 Hennepin Avenue | 612.333.1381
Total Distance: 0.9 miles | See map on page 18.

- 18 minutes
- 12 minutes
- 15 minutes | Nice Ride rent-a-bike

Noontime Mass
Basilica of Saint Mary
12:00 noon

CADEIO: Newcomers’ Welcome and Regional Meetings
3:00 to 3:50 p.m.
Hilton 2nd floor: Symphony I

Tuesday, 2 May

CADEIO—LEIRN Joint Plenary
Next Steps on the Way
2:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Symphony II

How is the Holy Spirit calling us in our local communities to journey together boldly and creatively, with joy and hope? This plenary features personal narratives from the experience of Common Prayer in Lund (31 October 2016); the reflections of two of our bishops on the implications of the Joint Statement, From Conflict to Communion, and Declaration on the Way for local pastoral practice; an exploration of the canons on reception of communion from Catholic and Lutheran perspectives; and a time for sharing our personal experiences of unity and hopes for a more full communion in the places where we minister.

Dr. Kathryn Johnson, Bishop Patricia Lull, Bishop Dennis Madden, Dr. Rocky Piro, Fr. Ron Roberson

Wednesday, 3 May

CADEIO Annual General Assembly
—all members
10:30 to 11:45 a.m.
Symphony I

Thursday, 4 May

CADEIO Board Meeting
1:00 to 2:30 p.m.
Symphony I

Note: CADEIO meetings are open to all workshop attendees and all are welcome. During business sessions, CADEIO members only are eligible to vote.
Monday, 1 May

CEN Network Meeting
2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Hilton 2nd floor: Conrad A
Facilitator: The Rev. Dr. John H. Armstrong, Founder and President of ACT3 Network

Tuesday, 2 May

CEN—Emerging Networks Joint Plenary
2:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Conrad A
This plenary provides an opportunity for working together in developing the diversity of this network and newly emerging networks. The goal is to “build” this network by building friendships. There is no inherent denominational glue as with some of the other networks. Building friendships allows us to build up our work in seeking unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Mr. Alexei Laushkin, President, Kingdom Mission Society
Dr. Lou Shirey, Director of Clergy Development, International Holiness Pentecostal Church
Ms. Shirley Paulson, Head of Ecumenical Affairs, Church of Christ, Scientist

Wednesday, 3 May

CEN Network Meeting
10:30 to 11:45 a.m. | Symphony II
Peace and Reconciliation Case Studies
Mr. Alexei Laushkin, President, Kingdom Mission Society
The Rev. Dr. John H. Armstrong, Founder and President of ACT3 Network

Thursday, 4 May

CEN Planning Team Meeting
1:00 to 2:30 p.m.
Conrad B

Note: CEN meetings are open to all workshop attendees and all are welcome.
Monday, 1 May

EDEIO Board Meeting
9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
Hilton 2nd floor: Conrad B

EDEIO Newcomers’ Luncheon
— first time attendees, with provincial coordinators & EDEIO officers—meet at registration table
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Randle’s Restaurant | 921 Nicollet Street Mall
A short walk from the hotel.

EDEIO Network Meeting
— with Presiding Bishop Curry
1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Conrad B

Note: EDEIO meetings are open to all workshop attendees and all are welcome. During business sessions, EDEIO members only are eligible to vote.

Tuesday, 2 May

EDEIO—UMEIT Joint Plenary
2:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Symphony I
United Methodists and Episcopalians hear about the process of creating the proposed full-communion agreement between their churches, titled: A Gift to the World: Collaborators in the Healing of Brokenness. The plenary includes a panel discussion with members of the dialogue team and a chance to work in small groups to address this aspect of Christian division.

introductions | history & updates of formal dialogues | practicing dialogue | debrief
The Rev. Dr. Tom Ferguson
The Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst
Mr. Richard Mammana
Dr. Kyle Tau
Mr. Bob Williams

Wednesday, 3 May

EDEIO Network Business Meeting
10:30 to 11:45 a.m.
Conrad B
Monday, 1 May

LEIRN Executive Board Meeting
10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
Hilton 2nd floor: Conrad C

LEIRN Newcomers’ Luncheon
— first time attendees, meet at registration table
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Sky Water Restaurant | Hilton ground floor

LEIRN Network Meeting I
— with Presiding Bishop Eaton
1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Conrad C
Agenda includes: Ecumenical and Interreligious Update, Best Practices, and Network Training. Representatives share what is happening in synods, with focus on Reformation commemoration events. Overview of network elections for Executive Board positions.
The Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop
Kathryn Lohre, Executive, Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations
Kathryn Johnson, Director, Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Tuesday, 2 May

CADEIO—LEIRN Joint Plenary
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Wednesday, 3 May

LEIRN Network Meeting II
10:30 to 11:45 a.m.
Conrad C
Topic: Responding to anti-Muslim hatred, violence, and bigotry.
Catherine Orsborn, Campaign Director, Shoulder to Shoulder: Standing with American Muslims, Upholding American Values
If needed: elections for Executive Board positions.

Thursday, 4 May

LEIRN Executive Board Meeting
1:00 to 2:30 p.m.
Conrad C

Note: LEIRN meetings are open to all workshop attendees and all are welcome. During business sessions, LEIRN representatives only are eligible to vote.
United Methodist Ecumenical and Interreligious Training
UMEIT Daily Schedule | 1-4 May 2017

Monday, 1 May

UMEIT—Welcomes, Introductions, Instructions—all participants
9:00 to 9:45 a.m.
Hilton 2nd Floor | Marquette I
The Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst, Ecumenical Staff Officer
The Rev. Cindy Gregorson, Director of Connectional Ministries, Minnesota Annual Conference
The Rev. Catiana McKay, UMEIT Chair

UMEIT Bible Study | Theme: Dialogue
9:45 to 10:15 a.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Donna Dempewolf, Living Spirit United Methodist Church

Ecumenism 201: The Do’s and Don’ts of Dialogue
10:15 to 11:45 a.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Catiana McKay, The Rev. Megan Dean

UMEIT Lunch & Break
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Marquette II (next door)

Ecumenical Ministry in the UMC
12:45 to 1:15 p.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst | The Rev. Jen Tyler, Evergreen United Methodist Church, Wahpeton, North Dakota

Local Ecumenical & Interreligious Ministry
1:15 to 1:45 p.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Jerad Morey, Minnesota Council of Churches

Dialogues in the UMC
1:45 to 2:15 p.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst, Dr. Colleen Windham-Hughes

Current United Methodist Ecumenical Engagement
2:15 to 2:45 p.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst

Break | 2:45 to 3:00 p.m.

The Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation
3:00 to 3:45 p.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Dai Morgan, Western Pennsylvania Conference

Closing Reflections & Prayer
3:45 to 4:00 p.m. | Marquette I
The Rev. Catiana McKay

Tuesday, 2 May

EDEIO—UMEIT Joint Plenary
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Wednesday, 3 May

UMEIT Network Meeting
10:30 to 11:45 a.m. | Conrad A
Topic: New Ecumenical and Interreligious Handbook
The Rev. Dr. Jean Hawxhurst

Thursday, 4 May

UMEIT Planning Team Meeting
1:00 to 2:30 p.m. | Conrad A
The Rev. Catiana McKay
National Workshop on Christian Unity 2017 | Speakers

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate, The Episcopal Church
Having served in parish ministry in North Carolina, Ohio, and Maryland, and as bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, Bishop Curry has been active in issues of social justice, immigration policy, family daycare, and inner-city redevelopment. He has a national preaching and teaching ministry, having been featured on The Protestant Hour.

The Rev. Grace Imathiu, Pastor, Community United Methodist Church, Naperville, Illinois
National Workshop Chaplain-in-Residence 2017
A gifted preacher and teacher, Rev. Imathiu’s ministry has taken her to many places around the globe, including international youth gatherings in Australia, Germany, Ireland, and the U.S. Ordained in the Methodist Church in Kenya, Rev. Imathiu has ministered in Kenya, Washington state, Ohio, Tennessee, Wisconsin, and Illinois. She is author of a collection of sermons titled *Words of Fire, Spirit of Grace*.

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Bishop Easton served as Pastor for several Ohio congregations and Bishop of the Northeastern Ohio Synod, prior to her election as Presiding Bishop in 2013. In July she will be an honored guest at the Islamic Society of North America convention. She will serve as preacher at Washington’s National Cathedral for the Reformation Day service this coming October.

The Most Rev. Denis J. Madden, retired Auxiliary Bishop, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Baltimore
Bishop Madden served as Associate Secretary General of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association and also as the Director of the Pontifical Mission for Palestine office in Jerusalem. He is one of the co-founders of the Accord Foundation, a humanitarian organization that has worked in the West Bank and Gaza.

Ms. Allison Duvall, Manager of Church Relations and Engagement for Episcopal Migration Ministries
Allison Duvall, based in Lexington, Kentucky, previously served as Executive Director of Reading Camp, an umbrella organization created to share a reading program model across the Anglican Communion, with community partners and schools, wherever there are literacy needs.

The Rev. Jerad Morey, Pastor of Northfield United Methodist Church, Minnesota Council of Churches Communications Director
As part-time associate pastor, Rev. Jerad is responsible for discipleship and outreach. At the Council, he manages the Respectful Conversations Project, the Healthy Homes-Healthy Congregations Project, and the immigration policy program.

The Rev. Cynthia Bronson Sweigert, Taking Heart Organizer
Rev. Sweigert is an Episcopal priest whose ministry has included parish and interfaith work in New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. The *Taking Heart Open Houses*, which is her current focus, brings together Muslims, Christians, and others at mosques during Ramadan for learning and encounter.

Mr. Ben Walen, Program Director, Refugee Services at the Minnesota of Churches
Ben Walen has developed programs that provide employment, case management, immigration and housing services to refugees and immigrants. He has been immersed in numerous aspects of public policy, program management and economic development.

Ms. Fardosa Hassan, Muslim Student Program Associate at Augsburg College
A recent graduate of the college, Fardosa Hassan is the recipient of the Courageous Woman Award. She was recognized by President Barack Obama and invited to the White House to take part in the Interfaith Campus Challenge. Ms. Hassan also works as the Youth Connection Program Coordinator at Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul.

The Rev. Mike Matson, Pastor at Bethany Lutheran Church, Chaplain to Student Athletes Augsburg College
Rev. Matson is a graduate of Augsburg College and the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago. He is a Naval Officer in the Reserves and serves as a Command Chaplain. He also serves as Chaplain to the First Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department.
Workshop Speakers (continued)

Dr. Daniel K. Gullo, Curator of the Malta Study Center and Assistant Director of Hill Museum and Manuscript Library, Saint John’s University, Collegeville.

Dr. Gullo holds a doctorate in history from the University of Chicago, and his specialty is the history of monasticism and book culture in late medieval and early modern Europe. His particular interest is the history of religious orders during the 15th and 16th centuries.

The Rev. Canon Peg Chamberlin, Executive Director, Minnesota Council of Churches

Executive Director for nearly two decades, Rev. Chamberlin helped launch the Respectful Conversations Project, providing a community forum for conversation on tough issues—from human sexuality to the role of guns. She is Immediate Past President of the National Council of Churches of Christ-USA and was appointed to President Obama's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. She received the Bridge Builder Award from the Islamic Resource Group and the Governor’s Award for Women of Distinction.

Ms. Jill Fleishman, Chair & founding member of Native American Justice Council, Iliff School of Theology

Jill Fleishman has been a member of the Ohio and federal bars since 1980. She has used her experience as an attorney to help with legal issues for the Standing Rock controversy. Active in social justice issues in the Denver area, she has helped to organize the faith community in Colorado on issues impacting disadvantaged communities.

The Rev. Monica M. Villarreal, Pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, Flint, Michigan

Rev. Villarreal is a community leader, voice for the oppressed, and an advocate for justice and care for creation. Advocating for clean water as a human right, her experience with the water crisis in Flint highlights the interconnection between socio-economic injustice and environmental racism.

Mr. Alexei Laushkin, President of the Kingdom Mission Society

Alexei Laushkin’s ministry focuses on reconciliation with a special focus on racial reconciliation, Christian persecution, refugees, and the public life of the church. He speaks regularly at church gatherings and conferences and has contributed numerous written articles.

Mr. Tyler Sit, Church Planter, New City Church

New City Church is a Minneapolis-based congregation that focuses on environmental justice. The Church has been featured in national print and radio media. It was named one of the "50 Environmental Projects to Watch" by Grist.

Mr. Michael Terrien, Obl. OSB

Michael Terrien is a trustee of the Parliament of the World’s Religions. He currently serves as coordinator of the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Encyclical Working Group Laudato si’ and was the Archdiocese’s project director in its Office for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs. He co-founded Play for Peace, a global organization that builds relationships in communities trapped in cycles of conflict.

The Rev. Dr. Steve Daniels Jr., Pastor of Shiloh Missionary Church in St. Paul

Rev. Daniels is the former President of the Minnesota State Baptist Congress.

The Rev. John Ubel, Rector of the Roman Catholic Cathedral of St. Paul

Fr. Ubel previously served as rector and faculty member of the St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity.

The Rev. Dr. John H. Armstrong, Founder and President of ACT3 Network

The ACT3 Network is a mission committed to empowering leaders and churches for unity in Christ’s mission. Ordained in the Reformed Church in America, Rev. Armstrong is a writer and editor and is an active leader in ecumenism. He co-leads the Catholic-Evangelical Conversation in Chicago.

The Rev. Don Rooney, Pastor of St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Springfield, Virginia

Fr. Rooney has served as the Diocesan Officer for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs and is the immediate past president of CADEIO network. He is an active participant in several local and national dialogues and is a founding partner in the Catholic-Muslim Dialogue of northern Virginia.
Suggested Walking Route | Historic Churches of Loring Park

To St. Mark & Hennepin Methodist
- from Hilton, go right on S. 11th St to LaSalle Ave
- turn left on LaSalle continue at bend to W. 15th St.
- turn right on W. 15th and continue to St. Mark

To St. Mary
- from Hilton, go right on S. 11th St, continue at bend to Hennepin Avenue
- turn left on Hennepin Av and continue to St. Mary

Suggested Walking Route | Service Project: Central Lutheran Church & Thrivent Center

To Central Lutheran Church
- from Hilton, go left on S. 11th St
- the church is between 3rd Ave S. and 4th Ave S.

To Thrivent Center
- from Central Lutheran, go on 4th Ave S.
- continue on 4th Ave S. to S. 7th St
- the Thrivent Center is on the NE corner of the block

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The Rev. Erich Rutten
Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis
Local Team Chair
NWCU 2017 Schedule — at a Glance

Monday
8:00 to 5:00  Registration
9:00 to 4:45  Network meetings
4:00 to 4:45  Newcomers meeting
5:15 to 6:15  Opening Reception | St. Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral
6:30 p.m.  Opening Worship | St. Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral

Tuesday
7:15 to 8:00  Continental Breakfast | hosted by Graymoor Institute
8:15 to 9:15  Workshop Eucharist | Roman Catholic Rite
9:20 to 10:00  Bible Study
10:15 to 11:45  Plenary: After 500 Years: Catholics and Lutherans “On the Way” Together
12:00 to 2:00  Workshop Lunch – followed by Dialogue
2:15 to 4:45  Network meetings: Next Steps on the Way
  ♦ CADEIO + LEIRN
  ♦ CEN + emerging networks + congregationally based traditions
  ♦ EDEIO + UMEIT
7:00 p.m.  Concert and Hymn Festival| St. Olaf Roman Catholic Church

Wednesday
7:15 to 8:00  Continental Breakfast | hosted by ACT3 and Christian History Institute
8:15 to 9:15  Workshop Eucharist | Methodist Rite
9:20 to 10:15  Bible Study
10:30 to 11:45  Network meetings
12:00 to 1:30  Workshop Lunch (seating by regions)
2:00 to 5:00  Sessions
  ♦ Walking Tour: Historic Churches of Loring Park | off-site
  ♦ Service Ministry: Central Lutheran Church clothing bank
    with reception following at Thrivent Center | off-site
  ♦ Interfaith Series (in 4 parts) | at the Hotel
7:00 p.m.  Workshop Banquet

Thursday
8:15 to 8:45  Contemplative Prayer
9:00 to 10:30  Seminars
  ♦ Social Justice
  ♦ Moral Imperative: Climate Change
  ♦ Praying Together
  ♦ Christian Witness
10:45 to 11:15  Outcomes and Sending Prayer
11:15  Brunch
1:00 to 2:30  Network leadership meetings: Boards and/or Planning Teams