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LATEST CONFERENCE NEWS

General Conference Delegate Candidate Forms due April 5



At the 2019 Session of the Wisconsin Annual Conference in June, we will be electing three Lay and three Clergy Delegates to the 2020 General Conference and another three Lay and three Clergy Delegates to the North Central Jurisdictional Conference. Please read [Election of Delegates](#) for a full explanation of delegate eligibility, expectations and other important information. If you are ready, willing and able

to make the required commitments and would like to be considered as a candidate for election, please complete the [Delegate Candidate Form](#) and submit to the Conference Secretary by Friday, April 5, 2019. Submission of a full biographical sketch is not required, but it does indicate your interest and dedication to serving as a delegate, and provides valuable information for those who are voting.

UM Hospitals Seeking New Ministry Chaplain



This chaplaincy position provides visitation ministry to United Methodists hospitalized in Madison hospitals. It is a 15 hrs/wk part time position. The United Methodist Hospitals Ministry is one of the ministries of the Health & Welfare Committee of the Annual Conference and has been in existence for over 45 years. It provides a chaplain as ministry support and spiritual care to hospitalized parishioners and

their families. The chaplain serves as a colleague and connecting bridge to parish pastors, standing in for them when timely visitation of their hospitalized parishioners is not possible.

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Connectional Table Sponsoring Traces of the Trade Event



The Wisconsin Conference Connectional Table Executive Team is joining with three other denominations to sponsor this cooperative, ecumenical event to promote healing across racial divides. Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North will be on Saturday, April 13 at The Beloved Community of Intercession Episcopal and Redeemer Lutheran, 900 Brilowski Road, east side of Stevens Point.

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The morning includes a viewing of the award-winning film *Traces of the Trade* followed by discussion led by its creator, Katrina Browne. The afternoon includes information about Sacred Ground, a new free resource from the Episcopal Church which is a film-based race dialogue series for small groups in congregations. [View event flyer](#) or register at diofdl.org/tott.

Register for Blueprint for Wellness



Clergy, spouses and lay employees participating in the HealthFlex active health insurance plan (not retirees) are encouraged to sign up today for the BluePrint for Wellness health check during Annual Conference. The results will provide you the information you need to complete your HealthQuotient by July 31, and avoid paying a higher deductible on your health insurance in 2020.

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WUMF Hiring Senior Vice President



The Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation is expanding its staff and looking for a Senior Vice President. This is a full-time position with benefits. [View the job description here](#). If interested, please submit your resume to Eric Churan at echuran@wumf.org by April 15, 2019.

Resistance to GC2019 Spreads



Resistance continues to the passage of the Traditional Plan at the recent United Methodist General Conference. It's taking different forms and drawing in people who haven't spoken out before. Sam Hodges from UM News reports. [Read story](#).

'We Thank God Because We are Alive'



United Methodists gathered at an ecumenical service to support cyclone survivors as relief efforts ramped-up in the hardest-hit areas of Mozambique. Joao Filimone Sambo from UM News reports. [Read story](#).

Celebrate Native American Ministries Sunday on May 5



The Native American Ministries Sunday offering supports Native American outreach within annual conferences, provides seminary scholarships for Native Americans, and strengthens, develops and equips Native American rural, urban and reservation congregations, ministries and communities. [Download Native American Ministries Sunday, Pastor and Leader's Kit](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Register for Retreats at Wisconsin UMC Camps](#)

WIUMCamps Summer Programs: Several program dates throughout the summer

Traces of the Trade: Saturday, April 13, sponsored by the North East District

Spring Women's Retreat: April 26-28, Lake Lucerne Camp

Strategies and Strengths Discovery Day: May 7, Madison: Bashford UMC

Annual Conference: June 14-17, Green Bay

Bishop's Interfaith Retreat and Bus Tour: July 12-13, Madison

VOLUNTEER & GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

United Methodist VIM Disaster Response News

United Methodist VIM Opportunities for Service Newsletters

Register for Upcoming VIM Trips

HELP WANTED

UM Hospitals Ministry Chaplain (Part Time)

Director of Music and/or Organist/Pianist

Office Manager (Part-Time)

Music Ministry Coordinator (Part-Time)

Director of Children and Family Ministries (Part-Time)

Youth Ministry Coordinator (Part-Time)

Campus Ministry Coordinator (Part-Time)

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

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If you have a Conference-related event, a hallelujah moment or a newsworthy story that you want included in ENEWS, or if you have a suggestion for ENEWS, contact: mediacontact@wisconsinumc.org. Please send your submissions by the Friday prior to the week you would like the information featured. Note that ENEWS is also posted weekly on the [Wisconsin Conference](http://www.wisconsinconference.org) website. If you experience a web problem after hours, please report the issue to 608-729-4349.

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