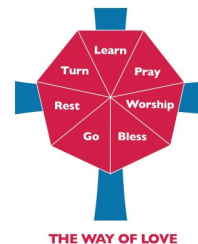




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October 21-22, 2022

Ramada by Wyndham - Fargo, ND



Theme: Living into the Way of Love

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Convention Schedule

Friday, October 21st

11:45am Registration table open	Courtyard Woodland Conference Center
12:00pm NDCIM Lunch	Birch
1:30pm Gathering Plenary	Woodland North
2:00pm Workshops	
<i>Creation Care</i>	Cedar
<i>The Lakota Story of Place</i>	Elm
<i>Reconciliation</i>	Birch
<i>Christian Formation</i>	Walnut
3:15pm Break	
3:30pm Workshops	
<i>Creation Care</i>	Cedar
<i>The Lakota Story of Place</i>	Elm
<i>Reconciliation</i>	Birch
<i>Christian Formation</i>	Walnut
4:45pm Break	
5:00pm NDCIM meets with Presiding Bishop	Executive Mtg Rm. 2
5:30pm Social	Woodland South
5:30pm Friends of Bill meeting	Elm
6:30pm Dinner, Presiding Bishop's address, Compline	Woodland South

Saturday, October 22nd

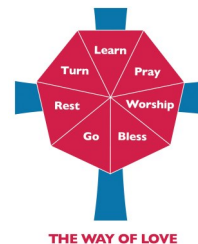
7:30am Registration table open	Courtyard Woodland Conference Center
8:30am Eucharist (with Presiding Bishop preaching)	Woodland South
10:00am Break	
10:30am Convention Business (beginning with Bishop's address)	Woodland South
12:30pm Lunch & East/West Meetings	
East Meeting	Woodland North
West Meeting	Woodland East
1:30pm Reconvene, Convention Business	Woodland South



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Workshops

(All workshops will be offered twice, at 2:00pm and 3:30pm, on Friday, October 21st.)

The Lakota Story of Place: Living the Way of Love through engaging Native American History and Spirituality ~ Dakota Goodhouse [Meeting Space: Elm]

Explore the Great Plains of North America from Devils Tower in Wyoming and the Black Hills in South Dakota to Jeffers Petroglyphs in Minnesota and North Dakota's highest point, White Butte. Learn about the Holy Lands of the Ocheti Sakowin, and some of the most important cultural traditions regarding concepts like reconciliation and redemption.

Creation Care: Living the Way of Love through Care of Creation ~ Amy Phillips and Trevor Johnson [Meeting Space: Cedar]

What is creation care? How it is important in the context of the way of love? We will shine a spotlight on efforts in North Dakota to show congregational participation in environmental justice and care of creation within our diocese that reflect loving one's neighbor, God's creation, and one's self.

Reconciliation: Living the Way of Love through Reconciliation, Reparations, and the Restorative Power of Ceremony ~ Robert Fox [Meeting Space: Birch]

Confronting cultural genocide of boarding schools and the Church's need to reckon with history and intergenerational trauma. How to find a way forward, while acknowledging ongoing racial tensions. The healing power of ceremony. Presenter will share his expertise as tribal ceremonial leader and member of the Reconciliation Committee, also drawing on his work teaching cultural traditions at United Tribes Technical College.

Christian Formation: Living the Way of Love through Christian Formation ~ Michelle Weidman and The Reverend John Floberg [Meeting Space: Walnut]

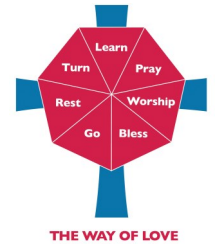
Presentation and discussion of curricula such as Godly Play for use with all ages. Exploration of available resources to enrich congregational ministry to the young and young at heart.



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COVID Protocols

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Vaccinations – It is expected that all who are eligible will have received recommended vaccinations. If concerned, please discuss with your healthcare provider. They are not 100% but have been safe and effective for shortening and decreasing disease.

Protection – Wearing a high-quality mask, vaccination, self-testing, and physical distancing are all accepted ways to protect yourself and others by reducing the chance of spreading COVID-19. Everyone's decision concerning each of these protection methods should be respected. Recommendations in the community and group where we live may influence the decisions. Those who are immunocompromised may wish to use more protection. COVID is still present and causes hardship. As a general recommendation no one is required to wear a mask or to be tested. Some settings such as healthcare facilities still require masking.

Be aware of your own health and show compassion to others. If you feel sick stay home and do not expose others. If concerned the home self-tests are a good option to check for COVID.

Communion – Receiving bread only is an acceptable and full way to receive communion. Drinking from a common cup is acceptable. Please do not use intinction (dipping the host into the chalice) as a way to receive the wine. Be mindful of how you might spread disease to others. Do not take wine if you feel ill.