



UNITED METHODISTS OF *Arkansas*

Clergy Session

May 27, 2020

Agenda

- **Bishop Welcomes and calls for vote on Agenda and Session Rules**
- **Opening Prayer**
- **Fellowship of Associate Members and Local Pastors**

We are Licensed Local Pastors and Associate Members, called by God and licensed by the Arkansas Conference of the United Methodist Church to minister to our churches in Word, Sacrament, Order and Service. We declare our faith in Jesus Christ and commit to live out our lives as a reflection of Christ in all we say and do. We pledge to nurture our congregations and one another as brothers and sisters in the faith. We will live obedient lives by practicing the Means of Grace, and we commit to faithfully adhere to the Holy Scriptures and The Book of Discipline. We thank God for the gifts we have received, and will honor Him by using our gifts and talents for the building up of His Kingdom.
- **Order of Deacons**

As Deacons we covenant to be a bridge between the needs of the world and the ministry of the church through the embodiment of the Word, serving with compassion and seeking justice wherever the Spirit may lead.
- **Order of Elders**

We, the elders of the Arkansas Conference, covenant with each other to a life of mutuality, collegiality and accountability where we watch over one another in love. By living into this covenant and by following this Rule of Life, we will grow in our calling as representatives of Christ's Church through the ministries of Word, Sacrament, Order and Service.
- **Clergy Covenant Fund**
- **Business of the Annual Conference**
- **Closing Remarks**
- **Closing Prayer**