





The 2023 Susquehanna Annual Conference

Opening Celebration

Thursday, May 18, 2023 9:30 a.m.

Note: All hymns and responsive readings will be projected on the screens.

*You are invited to stand.

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

OPENING REFLECTION

Rev. Mindi Gochnaur

*SONGS

“Come Thou Fount”
“Promises”
“Waymaker”

CALL and RESPONSE

“Tending to Plants”
Pastor Bobby Jones Jr.
Rev. Daniel Wilt

One: And sometimes because we hear God urging us in a new direction.

People: Change is not easy. And Yet, we are people of hope.

One: But we don't get that, do we?

People: Even though there is no guarantee, we choose to be people of hope.

One: What if we trusted the process of taking on faithful step at a time.,

People: When the ‘what if’s’ start to distract us, we remember we are people of hope.

One: It moves us to trust that God is present and leading us to grow and change.

People: Change is not easy. There is no guarantee. But we will trust the process. We choose to be people of hope.

PRAYER

Pastor Patricia Shope

*MUSICAL CHORUS

“It Is Well”

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 5:17
Madison Light

SERMON

“New and Improved ”

Bishop Cynthia Moore-KoiKoi
Resident Bishop of the Harrisburg Episcopal Area

CALL for OFFERING

Rev. Kristopher Sledge

Offering will benefit “The Building the Beloved Community Fund” - Advance #9300
The “Building the Beloved Community Fund” is used to help the Susquehanna Conference to: Promote diversity, Build race relations, Dismantle racism, Connect churches to their neighbors, and Support cross-racial appointments. Give to the “Building the Beloved Community Fund” through baskets that are passed or online at

<https://susumc.org/donations/bbcf/>

COMMUNION

Bishop Cynthia Moore-KoiKoi

BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG

“Graves Into Gardens”

POST-WORSHIP MUSIC