

Dear NIC Annual Conference Members and Guests:

Welcome to the 186th Northern Illinois Annual Conference Session.

It is with great joy that we welcome you to this year's Annual Conference, held under the sacred and timely theme: "Grace Is Sufficient." Whether you have travelled from near or far, whether this is your first time attending or you are a familiar face in our conference, we are honored and blessed by your presence.

This theme, drawn from 2 Corinthians 12:9, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness," reminds us that we are held, sustained, and empowered not by our own strength, but by the boundless grace of God.

Over the coming days, we will worship, learn, reflect, and grow together. We will share stories of hope and healing, of challenge and courage. Most of all, we will remember that grace is not just a gift we receive, but a gift we are called to share with one another and with the world.

We invite you to be fully present and engaged in our time together. Use this opportunity to build meaningful relationships, form new connections, and strengthen bonds with colleagues and friends.

The full agenda is printed in your conference program book, which you will receive when you check in, or you can find it by scanning the QR to the right. On the back of this letter, you will also find a list of hotel food options for your refreshment during meal breaks.




May this conference be a time of deep renewal, genuine connection, and spiritual encouragement. Let us be open to the movement of the Spirit, to new ideas and holy conversations, and to the gentle yet powerful grace that surrounds us always. Once again, welcome. We are so grateful you are here.



Deborah Dangerfield
Annual Conference Committee Chair



Rev. Fabiola Grandon-Mayer
Director of Connectional Ministries



Bishop Dan Schwerin
Resident Bishop, Northern Illinois-Wisconsin Episcopal Area

First Day Agenda - Monday, June 9

More agenda details will be in the Program booklet you will receive when you receive your credentials.

9:00 a.m.	Check-in and Credentials Available	Schaumburg Ballroom Foyer
10:00 a.m.	Mission Truck Opens	Next to Conference Center Parking Lot
	Laity Session	Utopia Ballroom
11:00 a.m.	Late Legislation Deadline (deliver to Chair of Daily Proceedings with 75 Copies)	
	Celebration of Ministry Service Rehearsal	Schaumburg Ballroom
Noon	Display Tables Open	Schaumburg Ballroom Foyer
1:30 p.m.	Opening and Plenary 1	Schaumburg Ballroom
	- BBC (Monitoring) Introduction - Daily Procedures and Organizing Motions	
	- Historic Reports - Ordination Class Introduction/Historic Questions - Presentations	
3:30 p.m.	Break	
4:00 p.m.	Legislative Sections	Schaumburg E,F, G & H, Utopia A, B, & C
	- Section 1: Schaumburg E - Section 2: Schaumburg F - Section 3: Schaumburg G	
	- Section 4: Schaumburg H - Section 5: Utopia A - Section 6: Utopia B - Section 7: Utopia C	
5:00 p.m.	Dinner Break	
	Mass Choir Rehearsal for Celebration of Ministry Service	Schaumburg Ballroom
6:00 p.m.	Mission Truck Closes	Next to Conference Center Parking Lot
6:30 p.m.	Clergy Robing and Line Up for Service	Euphoria
7:00 p.m.	Celebration of Ministry	Schaumburg Ballroom
7:30 p.m.	Display Tables Close	Schaumburg Ballroom Foyer
8:30 p.m.	Celebration of Ministry Reception	Schaumburg E-H

General food options at the hotel

- Food Cart outside of our conference area (7 a.m. - 7 p.m.) Coffee, Sandwiches & Snacks
- RENdezvous Cafe (Starbucks) (6 a.m. - 4 p.m.) Breakfast, Lunch
- Gather Lounge (4:30 p.m. - Midnight) Dinner
- Schaumburg Public House (6:30 a.m. - 11 p.m.) Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner