

Who may attend and participate in annual conference?

We believe that the following persons are eligible to attend the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference Session. Invitations were sent to these persons, however, if you think you have received this message in error, please be in touch with your district office immediately.

- All lay members of the annual conference, elected by local churches as well as those whose position confers conference membership, including lay persons assigned by the DS to pastoral ministry: may participate with voice and vote
- New Faith Community lay members: may participate with voice, no vote
- Lay person, not a member of the AC, who is an officer of the annual conference or one of its agencies, boards, commissions, committee, or societies: has voice on matters relating to their reports, no vote
- Retired local pastors: may participate, no vote
- All PNW clergy members in full connection, including deacons, elders, retirees, and those on any leave status: may participate with voice and vote
- PNW associate members, provisional members, and licensed local pastors: may participate with voice and vote (there are restrictions to the voting privileges, but it is not likely that any restricted matters will come before the conference in September)
- Ministers of Other Christian Denominations that are NOT Methodist, serving under appointment in PNW: may participate with voice and vote (there are restrictions to the voting privileges, but it is not likely that any restricted matters will come before the conference in September)
- Clergy members or provisional members of other annual conferences, including Affiliate members, and clergy members of other Methodist Denominations, serving under appointment in PNW: may participate with voice but no vote

Visitors are welcome to attend the Annual Conference Session via livestream, with details to be announced as the event draws near.

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