

Holston Conference UMC • Convocation 2016

# Fresh Water Brings Joy to the Thirsty

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Preaching in a Time of Change



with Dr. Teresa Fry Brown

February 22-25, 2016

Music Road Resort • Pigeon Forge, TN

# Schedule

## Monday, February 22, 2016

- 1:30 p.m. Registration  
Convention Center Lobby  
Room reservations at hotel/inn desk
- 3:45 p.m. Workshop Session I
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner on your own  
(several restaurants within 1 block)
- 7:00 p.m. Welcome and Announcements  
(In Dobro)  
Evening Worship ~ *U2Charist*  
Dr. Teresa Fry Brown  
Worship Leader & Preacher  
*Note: Offering will be taken during this service for Susannah's House, Knoxville*
- 8:30 p.m. Registration  
Convention Center Lobby

## Tuesday, February 23, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Hot breakfast at hotel/inn
- 8:15 a.m. Registration  
Convention Center Lobby
- 8:45 a.m. Devotions/Communion  
~ Skip White  
Announcements  
(In Dobro)
- 9:15 a.m. Plenary I ~ Teresa Fry Brown
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Logos (In Dobro)  
(Also see Wed. workshop option)
- 10:45 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. Workshop Session II
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch on Your Own
- 1:00 p.m. Clergy Gathering Commuter Check-In  
"The Gathering" Lobby
- 1:30 p.m. Clergy Gathering - at "The Gathering"  
1264 Middle Creek Road, Sevierville, TN  
~ Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor  
Free Time when meetings end
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner on Your Own
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship ~ Teresa Fry Brown  
(In Dobro)
- Immediately after worship –  
Social gathering time in hotel lobby  
and hotel breakfast area – assortment of  
snacks will be provided. Play games, play  
your guitar, enjoy fellowship!

## Wednesday, February 24, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Hot breakfast at hotel/inn
- 8:45 a.m. Devotions/Communion  
~ Charla Sherbakoff  
Announcements  
(In Dobro)
- 9:15 a.m. Plenary II ~ Teresa Fry Brown  
(In Dobro)
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. Workshop Session III
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

- 1:30 p.m. Workshop Session IV
- 2:45 p.m. Free Time
- 3:00 p.m. Hike with Charles Maynard (optional)
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner on Your Own  
Free Time Rest of Evening

## Thursday, February 25, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Hot breakfast at hotel/inn
- 9:00 a.m. Workshop Session V
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion and Sending Forth  
~ Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor  
Symphony Ballroom-Dobro Entrance

## CEUs

**2.0 CEUs given for full participation and receipt of evaluation form.**

**0.3 CEUs will be given to those who only attend the Clergy Gathering.**

## Medical Emergency

**If you have a medical emergency, call 911.**

The nearest hospital is:

**LeConte Medical Center**

742 Middle Creek Road • Sevierville, TN 37862

865-446-7000

*Take Henderson Chapel Road to left on the Parkway/441. Go 1.7 mi. to right on Collier Road, then go 1.5 mi. to left on Veteran's Blvd. Go 1.1 mi. to right on Blanton Road, then 0.4 mi. to left on Middle Creek Road.*

## Child Care

Holston Conference Foundation is generously underwriting the cost of child care again this year, so there will be NO COST to our clergy families. This year we will be using a large family suite at Music Road Hotel right on the first floor, so parents won't need to travel at all. First Sevierville staff will again be providing our child care service. Snacks and lunch will be available for the little ones. The child care schedule will cover all the workshops, plenaries and worship sessions. You can pick up a child care schedule at registration, and it will also be included in the workbook. Be sure to check the box on the registration form if you need child care.





# Program

## Plenary Speaker & Preacher



### **Teresa Fry Brown**

Dr. Teresa Fry Brown is the new Bandy Professor of Preaching at Candler School of Theology. The Bandy Chair in Preaching is considered by many to be the premier chair in homiletics in the country. Selected from a national pool of candidates, Fry Brown is Candler's fourth Bandy Professor, following Tom Long, the late Robert Kysar and the late Fred B. Craddock. In addition to four complete books, she has written articles and chapters for over a dozen more, including *Those Preaching Women, Vol. 3* and *The Abingdon Women's Preaching Annual*. A former speech pathologist, Dr. Fry Brown is ordained in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) church. In 2010, she became the first African American woman to attain the rank of full professor at Candler.

## Clergy Gathering

This year **Clergy Gathering** takes place during the 2016 Convocation on Tuesday, Feb. 23, from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

If you are attending Clergy Gathering and Convocation, there will be no need to register separately for this event. If you are attending only Clergy Gathering, you may still register just for it at: [convocation.holston.org](http://convocation.holston.org).

If you are only planning to attend the Clergy Gathering, 0.3 CEUs will be offered.



## Workshop Schedule

### Session I:

**A. Using MissionInsite to Reach Your Community**  
*Don Hanshew* – Pastor, Dublin UMC

**B. Children in Worship**  
*Lindsey Piercy* – Dir., Children's & Family Ministry, Bearden UMC and Co-Chair of Holston Children's Ministry Team

### Session II:

**A. From Easter to Pentecost: Preaching the Great 50 Days**  
*Dawn Chesser* – Director of Preaching Ministries, General Board of Discipleship

**B. Vision and Mission as Disciple Making Tools**  
*Micah Nicolaus* – Pastor, Central UMC Lenoir City

### Session III:

**A. Using Logos Bible Software to Enhance Your Preaching**  
*Jordan McLendon* – Logos Bible Software Nat'l Presenter

**B. Music When There Are No Musicians**  
*Brad Stapleton* – Pastor, East Stone Gap UMC

### Session IV:

**A. How to Do a Sermon Series**  
*Ronnie Collins* – Pastor, Out of The Box UMC, Hillsville  
*Amy Rollins Probst* – Pastor, First Farragut UMC

**B. How to Lead a Recovery Ministry**  
*Mark Hicks* – Assoc. Pastor, State St. Bristol and Other Recovery Pastors

### Session V:

**A. Creating Holy Spaces: Visuals in Worship**  
*Sarah Slack* – Assoc. Pastor, First UMC, Maryville

**B. Sound & Audio Best Practices in Worship**  
*Justin Plaster & Laura Blair Plaster*

## Free Time Options

There will be tourism/coupon booklets included with your workbooks. You will find lots of options there for free time entertainment as well as restaurant bargains.

**Hike with Charles Maynard (optional)**

3:00 p.m. Wednesday  
*Charles Maynard*, Maryville District Superintendent

# Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred name for name tag: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Charge \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

**CHILD CARE** ☐ I need child care during Convocation.

# of children \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_

**CLERGY GATHERING ONLY** ~ no workshop choices needed

☐ I am attending Clergy Gathering on Tuesday ONLY.

## WORKSHOP CHOICES ~

Choose ONE per workshop session.

Workshop I ☐ A ☐ B

Workshop II ☐ A ☐ B

Workshop III ☐ A ☐ B

Workshop IV ☐ A ☐ B

Workshop V ☐ A ☐ B

☐ **Optional Hike** with  
Charles Maynard  
Wed. at 3:00 p.m.

☐ My vehicle will hold  
several people, and  
I'm willing to be a  
carpool driver.

## PROGRAM REGISTRATION FEE

Early Bird Registration (by Jan. 22) \$ 75.00 per person

Regular Program Fee (Jan. 23-Feb. 14) \$100.00 per person

Late Registration (after Feb. 14) \$125.00 per person

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Program Fee Paid ☐ Early Bird ☐ Regular ☐ Late

**PREFERRED: Register On-Line at**  
**[convocation.holston.org](http://convocation.holston.org)**

or **Make check payable to HOLSTON CONFERENCE**

Send completed form and check to:

**Holston Conference UMC**

Attn: Wesley Leadership Institute

P.O. Box 850, Alcoa, TN 37701-0850

Phone: 865/ 690-4080

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

**If you wish to pay for your registration with a credit card,  
you must register on-line. (Paypal account not needed to register.)**

*Note: Cancellation must be made  
before February 20, 2016, to receive a refund.*

Room reservations are separate and made directly with Music Road Resort.

**See registration details below.**

## ROOM RESERVATIONS

Visit: [www.musicroadresort.com](http://www.musicroadresort.com)

Click on: Make a Reservation upper right corner of Home Page

Click on the "Groups" tab:

Enter: Group ID: 6518 Password: 37000842

Continue on to **select dates** and room type.

OR Call Music Road Resort: 800/429-7700 to make reservations.

**Note: Hotel super bargain rate (\$78) ends on the early bird  
registration date. Standard rates may apply after 1/22/16.**

☐ I have made my reservations with Music Road Resort.

