

# Information At A Glance

## 2018 Annual Meeting

### Michigan Conference of the United Church of Christ



### *Be Not Afraid* (Isaiah 40:9)

"Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, be not afraid..."

#### ➤ **Our Keynote Speaker this year is Rev. Dr. Alice Hunt;**

Immediate Past President, Chicago Theological Seminary

Vice-Chair, United Church Board of Directors

Beginning in July: Executive Director, American Academy of Religion

➤ **Youth Programming** at Annual Meeting will begin on Friday, with youth gathering at nearby Olivet College for an overnight and evening of fun. Youth will travel to Charlotte Saturday morning to share in the continental breakfast and take part in the morning worship. There is opportunity for mission and service within the local community - and time for youth who traveled and took part in the Great Lakes Regional Youth Event (GLRYE) to share their continued excitement and energy from this summer's event! More information will be made available soon and shared right on the Conference website ([www.michucc.org](http://www.michucc.org)).

#### ➤ **Blocks of rooms have been secured at two (2) local hotels:**

##### **Comfort Inn**

1302 E. Packard Hwy.

Charlotte, MI 48813

Reservations: (517)543-7307

Deadline for discounted rate: October 4, 2018

\*Complimentary breakfast, indoor pool

Room Prices:

**Thursday, Oct. 11** - King \$89.99 per night (+tax)  
Queen \$99.99 per night (+tax)

**Friday, Oct. 12** - King \$99.99 per night (+tax)  
Queen \$104.99 per night (+tax)

## **America's Best Value Inn**

828 E. Shepherd St.

Charlotte, MI 48813

Reservations: (517)543-8288

Deadline for discounted rate: September 28, 2018

\*Pet friendly

Room Prices:

**Thursday & Friday Oct. 11 & 12** - King \$65.00 per night (+tax)

Queen \$70.00 per night (+tax)

### ➤ **Annual Meeting Fees:**

Full Registration (Friday & Saturday) - \$35 each

Full Registration (Retired Clergy, their spouse/partner, MID, Youth 13-18) - \$25 each

One Day (Friday or Saturday - please indicate which day) - \$25 each

One Day (Retired Clergy, their spouse/partner, MID, Youth 13-18) - \$20 each

**If you are only able to join us for one day - please be sure to select the appropriate registration option as to whether you will be joining us on Friday or Saturday. Thanks very much!**

➤ **Meals** are available at this year's Annual Meeting and consist of a Friday and Saturday lunch and the Friday evening Award Banquet. All meals are handled by the Conference office. Calls to the banquet host or church for food requests will not be honored. If you have a special need, please contact the Michigan Conference office (517)332-3511. Thank you!

**Friday Lunch:** Homemade soups and sandwiches, dessert, and beverages - \$15 per person.

**Saturday Lunch:** Salad Buffet (several different salads to choose from), rolls and butter, homemade pies, and beverages - \$15 per person.

If you choose to not include lunch, please plan to bring your own, or make other arrangements. **The firm deadline to add a meal is October 3rd.** Lunch/dinner tickets will not be available for purchase at the meeting. There are several places to dine-in within walking distance of the church, or enjoy a picnic lunch in the church community garden!

**Friday Award Banquet:** Your choice of Champagne Chicken -OR- Vegetarian Stir Fry; includes vegetables, roasted rosemary redskin potatoes, garden salad, rolls & butter, dessert and beverage - \$25 per person.

The banquet will be held just minutes from the church, at The Center - 804 S. Cochran Ave., Charlotte, MI 48813

If you are only planning to attend the Friday evening Award Banquet, please check the appropriate box under Annual Meeting Fees and then select your dinner of choice under Meals. If you are attending the Award Banquet and do not wish to eat a meal, please select the appropriate box on the registration form. Award Banquet tickets will not be available for purchase at the meeting.

➤ **Childcare** will be available at Annual Meeting. If you are in need of childcare, please be sure to mark your registration form accordingly. Additional paperwork will be emailed to you. Please fill this out in its entirety and bring with you to Annual Meeting.

➤ **Payments** are encouraged online through the safe and secure PayPal option at the end of the online registration form. Credit or debit cards are accepted - or if you have a PayPal account, you may choose that option of payment.

Paying by check is an option, HOWEVER we ask that you mail your payment to the Conference office within 1 - 2 business days of completing your online registration. **Your registration will not be considered "COMPLETE" until we have received your payment in full, and prior to, the registration deadline of Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018.** We will not be taking payments at the door to cut down on congestion and wait times at the registration table. We thank you in advance, for your help and understanding.

This year's Annual Meeting will again, be paperless. The Annual Meeting Handbook will be available on our website prior to Annual Meeting. We strongly encourage churches to please print all desired materials for their delegates prior to the meeting. **Thank you!**

**We look forward to seeing you at this year's Annual Meeting in Charlotte!**