

Daily Summary Thursday, June 18, 2009 Afternoon and Evening Sessions

Journey of the Saints, 4 p.m.

A worship service recognizing our lay and clergy members and clergy spouses who have passed away, those who are going into retirement, and those beginning Conference relationships. A homily was presented by Staci Current for the memorial portion, and Rebecca Hillman provided an interpretive dance. Victoria Schlintz set the context for presentation of the retirees, and Kristin Marshall brought a message to and for those entering the “endless line of splendor” through commissioning and ordination. Paul Sweet, representing the retirees, passed the mantle of spiritual leadership to Motoe Yamada, representing the newly commissioned and ordained. Bishop Brown then reminded us that all persons are called into Christian ministry by virtue of their baptism. Various stages of the lay journey in ministry were acknowledged by those in attendance.

Some gems from the service:

- This life is a race – a race to communion with God
- There’s no magna cum laude in heaven – we get in on the "Thank You, Lord" plan
- The One who began a good work in you will continue it to God’s perfection
- Life abundant, amazing and forever, ending with the flourishing finish in Jesus Christ
- Never think lightly of the great good that God has worked through you
- I want Your life repeated in my life

Consideration of Constitutional Amendments

The body reconvened at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering the 32 Constitutional Amendments that were passed at Genera Conference. Instructions and background were given, sample ballots were distributed, and questions answered. The amendments were presented in writing (on the website previously and two copies per table) and by members of the Conference Delegation to General Conference. Odette Lockwood- Stewart, Renae Extrum-Fernandez, Ted Virts, and Randall Miller made the presentations. At the conclusion of the presentations, final ballots were distributed by the pages to those qualified to vote. Voting took place until all were done and the balloting was closed. Pages collected the ballots and they were tallied electronically by the Conference Secretary. There were 611 ballots collected, 610 valid ballots.

	Yes	No
Amendment 1	494	112
Amendment 2	469	138
Amendment 3	482	121
Amendment 4	479	124

Amendment 5	487	120
Amendment 6	426	174
Amendment 7	486	116
Amendment 8	540	63
Amendment 9	469	128
Amendment 10	482	122
Amendment 11	485	118
Amendment 12	487	118
Amendment 13	476	127
Amendment 14	484	119
Amendment 15	407	195
Amendment 16	490	114
Amendment 17	454	147
Amendment 18	483	119
Amendment 19	449	154
Amendment 20	486	118
Amendment 21	484	120
Amendment 22	570	27
Amendment 23	480	121
Amendment 24	483	118
Amendment 25	484	116
Amendment 26	482	117
Amendment 27	479	119
Amendment 28	482	117
Amendment 29	479	118
Amendment 30	482	116
Amendment 31	480	117
Amendment 32	476	121