

Schedule

- 9:00 Check-In, Refreshment – Asbury Hall
- 9:15 Sanctuary – Music with David Vaughn
- 9:30 Welcome – Sanctuary
- 9:45 John Pavlovitz
- 11:00 Break – See the Exhibits
- 11:15 Dr. Robyn Henderson-Espinoza
- 12:30 Lunch – Asbury Hall
- 1:30 Panel – Sanctuary
- 2:30 Bishop David Bard
- 3:30 Shalom

Planning Team

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Michigan Conference
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18th Annual *Keep Making Peace*

Saturday, April 4, 2020

9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

University United Methodist Church
1120 South Harrison Road • East Lansing, MI 48823

Register online at msuwesley.org/kmp2020

Early Bird Discount ends March 23

Coffee, juice, etc. at 9:00 and
a vegetarian lunch are included



Presenters

John Pavlovitz is a writer, pastor, and activist from Wake Forest, North Carolina. In the past four years his blog *Stuff That Needs To Be Said* has



reached a diverse worldwide audience. A 20-year veteran in the trenches of local church ministry, John is committed to

equality, diversity, and justice – both inside and outside faith communities. In 2017 he released his first book, *A Bigger Table*. His second book, *Hope and Other Superpowers* was published in 2018. His newest book *Low: An Honest Advent Devotional* was released in 2019.

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, PhD, has been described as a scholar-activist, scholar-leader, thought-leader, teacher, public theologian, ethicist, poet of moral reason, and word artist. Robyn is a visionary thinker who



has spent two decades working in the borderlands of church, academy, and movements seeking to not only disrupt but

dismantle supremacy culture. Dr. Robyn is the Founder of the Activist Theology Project, a Nashville, TN-based collaborative project that seeks to work with the dominant culture and produces curriculum at the intersection of scholarship and activism. Dr. Robyn, a non-binary Transqueer Latinx who calls Nashville home, is the author of *Activist Theology*, 2019, published by Fortress Press.

Bishop David Alan Bard was elected to the episcopacy in 2016 and assigned to the Michigan Area of The United Methodist Church where he currently serves as our resident bishop. Prior to his election, Bishop Bard was



a member of the Minnesota Conference where he served for over thirty years as a pastor and District Superintendent.

His final appointment in Minnesota was as pastor of First United Methodist Church in Duluth, the community in which he grew up. Bishop Bard is a graduate of the University of Minnesota, Duluth (B.A. cum laude, philosophy and psychology), United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities (M.Div.), and has a Ph.D. in Religious Studies, with a focus on Christian Ethics, from Southern Methodist University (Dallas, TX).



Musician

David Ramon Vaughn is the music director at GreenWood (Ann Arbor FUMC) and the organist at Northville FUMC. He is a member of the Michigan Opera Theater Chorus. David has appeared in numerous opera productions, oratorios, concerts and recitals and his repertoire spans opera, Broadway, spirituals and gospel. He is an accomplished pianist who also coaches and accompanies singers. Yes, he has a silky smooth voice, and yes, he is mesmerizing as a pianist – but most of all he is a person of deep faith and humility.

Registration and Cost

Register at msuwesley.org/kmp2020

\$30 per person or \$75 per carload of 3 or more persons by **March 23 (Early Bird Discount)**

\$35 per person or \$90 per carload of 3 or more persons by **March 30**

Students are free

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