

SCHEDULE

Saturday – Decade to Overcome Violence (DOV): Summary and Issues *Gathering and program will be held at Augustana Lutheran Church on 55th St. between Woodlawn and University*

12pm Lunch

Welcome and Introductions: Mike Neuroth (SYS Coordinator)
Setting our Agenda: Why are we here? What is Shift your Space (SYS)?
Scope, themes and goals for our conference

What is the Decade to Overcome Violence (DOV)? Dr. Jean Martensen (U.S. DOV committee)

Heather Feltman (*ELCA Domestic Disaster Response office*) Hurricane Katrina Discussion: What Really Happened? What does it mean for the churches?

Emily Harry (*Interfaith Worker Justice*) Economic consequences and causes of Hurricane Katrina, what does it mean for workers?

Short Break

Reflections and discussion on Katrina and its implications: Rev. Michael Trice (*ELCA* Associate Director for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations)

6pm Dinner

7:30pm Evening Worship: *Rev. Hansulrich Gerber*, *General Secretariat*, *Decade to Overcome Violence Coordinator for the WCC will be preaching*.

Sunday – WCC Broader Vison/Ecumenical Connections

Program will be held at Augustana Chapel, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

8:30am Continental Breakfast at LTSC Youth House

9:30am Morning Prayer/Meditation

10am Mini Workshops/Open Space Session A

Upon registration, participants will be invited (but not required) to bring a mini-workshop to the event. A sign up list will be made available for people to schedule times on Sunday for people to lead a workshop or a discussion on an issue during this time. This "open space" gives participants the opportunity to share with and learn from one another.

11:30am Mariah Neuroth (Interfaith Youth Core (IFC)) Theme: "Called to Serve"

12:30pm Lunch – deli sandwiches (VY)

Mini Workshops/Open Space Session B

Mini Workshops/Open Space Session C

4pm Ecumenical Networks – the World Council of Churches: History and

Future (Rev. Deborah DeWinter, WCC Program Executive for the United

States)

Shifted Space: Chicago and Beyond - Mike Neuroth

6:00pm Dinner

7:30pm Taize Worship: *Rev. Dr. Bernice Powell Jackson*, World Council of

Churches President for North America will be preaching.

Monday – US Conference of the WCC/Pre-Assembly Gathering

8am Continental Breakfast for those at LSTC Youth House (VY)

Participants who are not attending the Annual Meeting of the US Conference for the WCC will return home. Participants who are attending the Annual Meeting of the US Conference for the WCC will help plan a Young Adult led plenary presentation.