

## Hotel Registration: The Palmer House Hilton

17 E Monroe St, Chicago, IL 60603  
(312) 726-7500

Room Rate: \$159 per night, single OR double, plus tax

Reserve your hotel room online by going to:  
<http://palmerhousehiltonhotel.com/>  
or call 1-877-865-5321 using reference code CAC



The Palmer House Hilton is steeped in history. The first hotel opened in 1871 and was the gift of Palmer Potter to his bride, Bertha Honoré. The hotel burned to the ground just 13 days later in the Great Chicago Fire. Palmer secured a loan to build a grand, seven-story hotel, located across the street from the original. For 50 years, the hotel was filled with such visitors as Ulysses S. Grant, Mark Twain, Charles Dickens and Oscar Wilde. By the 1920s, the decision was made to erect a new 25-story building. Between 1924 and 1927, a new hotel was built in stages on the same site. Conrad Hilton bought the hotel in 1945 and it remains one of the company's flagship properties.

Palmer House Hilton is located in the heart of downtown Chicago, a short walk from the Art Institute and the Magnificent Mile. The hotel underwent a \$170 million renovation to bring it all the conveniences and comforts of the 21st century. There is a two-story lobby with formal staircase and marble-topped tables. The hotel offers a large state-of-the-art health club, indoor pool, spa, and exceptional meeting facilities.

The lovely guest rooms feature plush top mattresses, flat screen HD televisions, wired and wireless high-speed internet (additional charge) and more.

# ASSOCIATED CHURCH PRESS EPISCOPAL COMMUNICATORS ANNUAL CONVENTION

April 23-26, 2014  
Chicago



## Convention Registration

For more information about the ACP and the annual convention go to: <http://www.theacp.org>



The Associated Church Press is excited to meet again with Episcopal Communicators for our annual convention, April 23-26 at the historic Palmer House, Chicago.

EC members affiliated with ACP can now attend both conventions in one trip! We will all have greater opportunities to build relationships within the extended family of religion communicators.

Keynote speakers for the convention are Meredith Gould, sociologist and longtime communications professional; Kathryn Mary Lohre, President of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S. and Director of Ecumenical and Inter-religious Relations for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; and national writer and speaker, Lillian Daniel.

For both the ACP and EC, annual conventions in cooperation with closely-allied groups provide opportunities for faith communicators to learn from each other. Together, members promote excellence in the communication of religious faith and values in the public arena.

2014 Convention rates

Early Registration

Postmarked or paid online by March 5, 2014. No refunds after March 20, 2014. Attendees MUST be current in their dues to qualify for special member-discount rates.

- (a) ACP or EC Member .....\$325 (USD)
- (b) Non-Member.....\$425 (USD)
- (c) Non Participating Guest
- (all meals, no program).....\$300 (USD)

Regular Registration

Postmarked or paid online on or after March 6, 2014. No refunds after March 20, 2014. Attendees MUST be current in their dues to qualify for member rates.

- (d) ACP or EC Member .....\$375 (USD)
- (e) Non-Member.....\$475 (USD)
- (f) Non Participating Guest
- (all meals, no program).....\$300 (USD)

Special/Day Rate Registration.

- (g) Wednesday only  
(with orientation, worship and reception) .....\$95 (USD)
- (h) Thursday only  
(with meals, breaks and workshops) .....\$175 (USD)
- (i) Friday only  
(with meals, breaks and workshops) .....\$195 (USD)
- (j) Friday awards banquet and program only .....\$95 (USD)

2014 ACP ECC Annual Convention

Registration Form

Mail checks, payable in U.S. dollars, to:

Associated Church Press  
P.O. Box 621001, Oviedo, FL 32762-1001

USE ONE FORM PER PERSON/COUPLE  
(Multiple attendees from a single shop may skip repeated address info — supply e-mails and phone numbers and staple forms together. Please be sure the main contact is stapled to the front with complete address info.)

Names of Attendees:

Publication:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Payment enclosed for these registration (a-n):  
(See registration types to the left.)

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TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional donation to the ACP convention scholarship fund (for students and low-budget ACP member shops). Add: \_\_\_\_\_

Keynote speakers for this year’s convention...

Meredith Gould

Meredith Gould (@meredithgould) is a sociologist and longtime communications professional.

An early adopter social media, she’s known for being an exuberant evangelist for using digital tools to build and sustain community.

Meredith is founder and lead moderator of the weekly Twitter-based #ChSocM (church social media) chat. She claims bragging rights for developing the #chsocm hashtag which is universally recognized across social media platforms for tagging content and conversation about social media and church. She has nine published books to her credit, including *The Word Made Fresh: Communicating Church and Faith Today*, which has helped position church communications as an essential ministry. Her newest book, *The Social Media Gospel: Sharing the Good News in New Ways* is serving a similar function relative to church social media.

An independent consultant since 1989, she provides counsel and training as well as hands-on fix-it services to local churches and judicatories across denominations. For even more information: [www.meredith-gould.com](http://www.meredith-gould.com)



Kathryn Mary Lohre

Kathryn Mary Lohre is the president of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA and director of ecumenical and inter-religious relations for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Prior to that, she served as assistant director of the Pluralism Project at Harvard University, Diana Eck’s premier research project on religious diversity in the United States.

Kathryn received her BA in psychology, religion and women’s studies from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota in 1999. She earned her Master of Divinity degree from Harvard Divinity School in 2003. In 2011, the Graduate Theological Foundation in Mishawaka, Indiana conferred an honorary Doctor of Divinity to Kathryn, “in recognition of her election as president-elect of the National Council of Churches and also in recognition of her contributions to women’s interfaith issues and pluralism.”

She is married to the Rev. Timothy Seitz and has a 4-year-old son, John Isaiah Lohre Seitz.



Lillian Daniel

A national speaker and writer, Lillian Daniel has served as the Senior Minister of the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, of Glen Ellyn, Illinois since 2004.

Lillian is a regular contributor to and an editor at large with Associated Church Press member *The Christian Century*.

She is the author of the book *Tell It Like It Is: Reclaiming the Practice of Testimony*, which is the story of one church’s attempt to get mainline Protestants to talk to each other about God.

Her book *This Odd and Wondrous Calling: The Public and Private Lives of Two Ministers*, co-authored by Martin B. Copenhaver, is a humorous and honest look at the ministry.

Her newest book, published in January 2013 is *When Spiritual But Not Religious is Not Enough: Seeing God in Unexpected Places, Even the Church*.

