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2023 ANNUAL CONFERENCE THEME & LOGO

In his call letter for our 2023 Annual Conference Sessions, Bishop Cedrick D. Bridgeforth centered the theme “Go and Do Likewise” around the story of The Good Samaritan in Luke 10: 30-37. He writes, “In this parable, we find characters who exhibit attributes of servanthood, piety, mercy and grace. Their intent and impact make a difference, especially considering the religious and historical context, and societal norms present, when Jesus first told this story. These characters hold up mirrors for us to see ourselves more clearly and open windows to possibilities beyond our imagination.”

This year’s Annual Conference logo features the work of artist He Qi in the piece titled “The Good Samaritan” (© 2001, licensed and used with permission). Dr. He Qi is a Chinese artist who paints biblical stories in a folk-art style from a Chinese context. He is an artist-in-residence at Fuller Theological Seminary (CA) and a distinguished visiting professor at the Art Institute of RUC (Renmin University of China, Beijing).

He Qi’s artwork also captures the idea of perception our bishop asks us to reflect upon in his call letter. In a description of his piece share one interpretation: “The many-colored landscape with its curving road gives the sense that the journey has been long. Only the injured man is shown looking straight out at the viewer as though he wants his story to be told. The ‘hero’ of the parable is looking off to the side as if he doesn’t really like being in the spotlight. Does the donkey approve of his owner’s actions?”

Who are we in the stories we tell? How can we open ourselves to the ways others see the world? What will we learn about ourselves, and what assumptions about our neighbors will we need to unlearn to be Christ for them?

As we make the journey toward Annual Conference, this theme and this image allow us to reflect on our own stories and journeys and the stories of mercy, grace, servanthood and more that we hope to take home from each of our Annual Conference sessions.

H. DAILY PROCEEDINGS

150TH SESSION OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Abbreviations: UMC - United Methodist Church; PNWAC - Pacific Northwest Annual Conference; PCH - Pre-Conference Handbook; BAC - Business of the Annual Conference; GNW - Greater Northwest (our Episcopal Area). Names of ordained clergy are printed in *italics*.

Meetings in person and online via Zoom

**GNW OPENING SESSION AND INSTALLATION OF BISHOP CEDRICK BRIDGEFORTH
MAY 20, 2023,
ALDERSGATE UMC, JUNEAU, AK
VIA LIVESTREAMING
3:00 P.M. PACIFIC TIME**

Hosted by Rev. Kristi McGuire and Aldersgate UMC, worship began with the Juneau String Ensemble, a word of welcome and thanks, a land acknowledgement, and a confession of complicity in past harms done. Liturgy and scripture were offered in English, Spanish, Korean and Tagalog. Kristina Gonzalez, Director of Innovation and Vitality, introduced *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth*; Jo Anne Hayden, Alaska Delegation to General Conference and Megan Kilpatrick, PNW Committee on Episcopacy, certified his election, consecration, and assignment to the GNW area; Laurie Day, Director of Connectional Ministries in the Oregon-Idaho Conference named the work of the bishop and initiated the installation rituals. Signs and symbols of the office of bishop were presented including: Pastoral staff, bible, water to renew baptism, bread and cup for communion, towel and basin to serve, stole as symbol of pastor, preacher, teacher; *Book of Discipline* and gavel for presiding. Bishop *Cedrick D. Bridgeforth* “gladly assumes, with and among [us], the ministries of word, sacrament, and order.”

Go and Do Likewise is the conference theme and five-part sermon series using the scripture text of Luke 10:30-37. Bishop Cedrick encouraged the GNW to “pray with our feet, heal with our words, love with our resources” and “get to neighboring” as he laid out the M.I.L.E. of his sermon series: Ministry that Matters, Itinerary and Location, Lay Enhancement, and Eliminating Racism, each of which would be addressed at individual annual conference opening worship services and the GNW closing worship.

The offering for the Service of Installation, benefiting the Circle of Indigenous Ministries, was introduced by *Rev. Dr. Allen Buck*, Circle of Indigenous Ministries, and raised \$745.00. Holy Communion was celebrated.

Call to Order

Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth formally called to order the Annual Conference sessions of the AK, OR-ID, and PNW Annual Conferences by celebrating active ministries and seeing how we are already neighboring. He named losses and griefs. He called us to look in the mirror, be honest about ourselves, and acknowledge that God is not finished with any of us. Three ministries were specifically celebrated:

Disaster Response Team, via video report; the needs are no longer seasonal, but more frequently year-round, and with increased devastation, especially for people of color. Innovation projects birthed in 2018 found their way during the pandemic: Every Nation UMC delivered meals during pandemic; Storydwelling and ReVillage in Bend, OR engaged in partnership with First Presbyterian and others to advocate for and provide affordable childcare; First UMC of Canada expanded to serve Vancouver, Fraser Valley, Squamish, and Burnaby fellowships, consisting of mostly Filipino-Canadian UMC families, with contextual and cultural awareness and innovation.

Ola Toe Fuataina UMC celebrated its chartering in Anchorage, AK. It is the newest congregation in Greater Northwest Area.

PNW CLERGY SESSION JUNE 24, 2023, 2:00-5:00 P.M. PACIFIC TIME, VIA ZOOM

Actions and results are reported in the Business of the Annual Conference (BAC) 2023, Journal Section I.

PNW FOCUS SESSION 1, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

JUNE 2, 2023, 6:00-8:00 P.M. PACIFIC TIME, VIA ZOOM

Addressed petitions #1-11 and #16

Petitions 1,2,3,4,5, and 6 were placed on the consent calendar

Petitions 7,8,9,10,11, and 12 were addressed individually in plenary session.

PNW FOCUS SESSION 2, CONNECTING IN MISSIONS

JUNE 3, 2023, 6:00-9:00 P.M. PACIFIC TIME, VIA ZOOM

Addressed petitions #12-15 and #17

Petitions 14 and 17 were placed on the consent calendar.

Petitions 12 and 13 were each split into parts a and b, then along with petition 15, were addressed as five individual petitions in plenary session.

ALASKA CONFERENCE OPENING WORSHIP

JUNE 4, 2023

M.I.L.E. – MINISTRY THAT MATTERS

Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth, preaching

We are called to narrow our focus so we can have an impact in our area—which is not just in our building. God will speak to each of us about where, why, and how we are to go forward. This will be unique to each community. To be part of what God wants to happen, our direction and focus will be where we can have the greatest impact, experience unity, and listen for God as we do our window work. He focused on itineracy and location, where we are located in our ministries and where we go in our ministries.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST OPENING WORSHIP

JUNE 13, 2024

M.I.L.E. – LAY ENHANCEMENT

Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth, preaching

Opening Worship with Holy Communion

Jesus challenges the lawyer to move beyond mirror talk to do some window work, to expand his understanding of who is our neighbor. Are we interested in and showing interest in our neighbors? We need to equip and train laity and support them with funding and staffing as much as we do clergy, supporting the idea of the priesthood of all believers, or everyone is called. When we do window work, we gain a better sense of who we see in the mirror.

Laity Session was hosted by Conference Lay Leader Nancy Tam Davis and Associate Lay Leader Andy O'Donnell, who conducted a time of question and answers between the laity and *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth*. *Bishop Cedrick* finished with a question for all to ask themselves: How can I use the best of who I am to reach those who are in the ditch and make a difference, to transform the community?

Gathering of the Orders met in a separate space where clergy enjoyed a time of announcements, prayer, small-group conversation, and hymn singing.

PNW PLENARY SESSION #1

JUNE 13, 2023, 9:00 A.M. PACIFIC TIME

HYBRID: IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

UNIVERSITY OF PUGET SOUND, SCHNEEBECK CONCERT HALL, TACOMA, WA

Plenary Session #1 work began at 1:30 P.M. PST

Work began with a time of welcoming and testing with GNTV to ensure all could access the “get recognized” and balloting features, and sorting ways to work around limited bandwidth in the auditorium.

Opening Motion

Conference secretary *Shirley DeLarme* moved that the program and schedule provided on the PNW Conference website shall be the official program and schedule of the conference; that the process used in the registration procedure be designated as the official roll call for the 150th annual session of the PNW Conference; that the bar of the conference be established as those who, according to their status within and relationship with the PNW Conference, have voting rights and are thus given passcode access to voting procedures provided by GNTV; and that the minutes of the daily sessions of the conference, as kept by the secretary, when approved and certified by the president and secretary thereof, together with the reports of the councils, boards, commissions, and committees of the Pacific Northwest Conference of The United Methodist Church, be published and be the official record of the 150th Annual Session of the PNWAC of The United Methodist Church. The motion was 2nded and approved.

Accessibility Report

Issues of accessibility for this Conference at both venues, University of Puget Sound and Mason UMC, were addressed by *Kristen Ellison Oslin*, who named the accommodations being provided and requested people be sensitive regarding using scents. Petitions #8 & #9, the closure of Bonney Lake Foothills UMC and the 2023 CFA Budget Recommendations, respectively, were affirmed above the 90% threshold and will proceed to the plenary session in accordance with Conference Rules.

Preliminary Report of the Rules Committee

Jim Odiorne, chair, noted that there were no concerns or edits needed at this time on either petitions before this conference or in general. Beginning in August the Rules Committee will begin a thorough review of the Conference Rules, with recommendations to come to the 2024 session.

Delegation to General Conference Report

Skylar Marston-Bihl, first elect lay delegate and employee at University of Puget Sound, invited everyone to participate in a UPS practice, which is to name our own pronouns and to invite others to be their true selves.

First real action since elected was to elect bishops in November 2023. The following meetings are planned: 2020 General Conference April 23-May 3, 2024, in Charlotte, NC; Western Jurisdictional Conference July 10-13, 2024, in Spokane, WA. The elected

delegation stands for the next General Conference. For the delegation, Covid has provided the silver lining of the gift of time to develop relationships within our own and other delegations.

Committee on Episcopacy (COE) Report

Gregg Sealey reported. Generally, the committee is made up of 1st elect lay and clergy from each delegation in the Jurisdiction. One of their roles is to support episcopal leaders. COE also has a role in shaping the process for the next episcopal elections which are scheduled for next July, and for conferences to prepare to hold elections for two episcopal openings. The process will be a combination of previous processes with other adjustments expected.

Safety Advocate Report

Brant Henshaw announced that if anyone needs assistance creating safe space, or support when a boundary has been crossed, the following people are available as advocates: *Jeffrey Mullinix, Kathy Hartgraves, Nancy Tam Davis, Teri Tobey, Brant Henshaw.*

Reading of Appointments for Crest to Coast District Clergy Appointments

Read by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* and District Superintendent *Kathleen Weber*, welcomed and blessed by co-Lay Leader *Kelly Andrews*.

Innovation Vitality Report

Kristina Gonzalez, GNW Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality lifted one of the three projects named in the opening worship, including the PNW project of First UMC of Canada with *Norman Feliciano*, pastoring one church in four locations in the greater Vancouver area. In the past year, the Vitality team has focused a lot on administrative work, clearing administrative inconsistencies across the conferences and rebuilding relationships with the planters. In 2022, the GNW had 32 active projects, 17 of which were in PNW, some of which have completed their funding cycle, chosen not to continue, or are changing appointments. In 2023-2024 22 projects are anticipated. It is important to recognize this hard and high-risk work. During the next year a focus will be on programming and providing resources for established local churches so they can learn the practices of inclusion, innovation, and multiplication and learn from the planters. She thanked those on the team and encouraged everyone in our future work of living into our Wesleyan Theology. *Zulma Tifre*, a planter, was invited to give a prayer of thanksgiving, which was done in Spanish with translation.

Disaster Response Team Report

Coordinators *Kathy and Dana Bryson, Jenny Phillips*, technical advisor for environmental sustainability with the Board of Global Ministries. This is WA State smoke-ready week, the need for which disproportionately affects certain populations. They encouraged us to

build and distribute cleaner air kits powered by solar power kits and power batteries; open churches as cooling or clean air respite center; and UMCOR cleaning buckets, hygiene kits, and kits for smoke cleaning. A video report highlighted some of the projects done in disaster response and prevention across the nation.

Focus Session #1 Administrative Support

Stephanie Henry, chair

Consent Calendar, reports #1-6 move concurrence: 99.6%

264 total, 133 needed, 263 yes, 1 no

Included concurrence with the following petitions:

Petition #1 - Conference Advance Specials

Petition #2 - Minimum Compensation

Petition #4 - Past Service Pension Rate

Petition #5 - Retirement Annuity Responsibility

Petition #6 - Retirement Grants

Petition #7 - Disability Benefits

Petition #3 - Moving Allowance, as amended in Focus Session, move concurrence: 98.9% 279 total, 140 needed, 276 yes, 3 no. The petition was amended to add: "G. Inter-Conference moves from within the Greater Northwest Area to the Pacific Northwest Conference shall use the same rate as seminary students (E) or \$1600 if the mileage is less than \$500."

Petition #11 - Amend Conference Rules, move concurrence 95.7% 278 voting, 140 needed, 266 yes, 12 no. The petition was amended to read: amend Conference Rule II Membership, Section 3. Lay, subsection (a), by adding the title "Home Missioner," before the words "commissioned missionaries" as the petition was originally submitted. (Page F-5 of the 2022 Journal)

Petition #16 - Proposed Study to Examine the PNWAC's Practice Regarding Separation Pay for Clergy Ordained in Another Denomination, move concurrence, 83.0% 289 voting, 145 needed, 240 yes, 49 no

Petition #10, Apportioned Budget, *Cara Scriven*, CFA chair Council on Finance and Administration Recommendations, move concurrence. Presentation only, vote on Thursday.

Treasurer's Report

Brant Henshaw, Conference Treasurer, reporting.

Boy Scout of America bankruptcy settlement was approved by the courts. The UMC denomination is prepared to pay the full \$30 billion by October 1, 2023, so the victims can begin their healing work. PNW allocation is \$370,000 to be shared by the Trustees for the now closed churches, and by all the churches in the conference; a recommendation to CFA will be for local churches to have through December 2024 to pay their allocation.

On the Jurisdiction level, Claremont School of Theology, perpetually underfunded, has been trying to sell their campus to help with cash flow. PNW has been providing bridge loans to help with cash flow.

With insurance companies pulling out of whole markets it is possible local churches will see differences in our insurance policies and premiums beginning in January, either a reduction in coverage or increase in cost; all this is related to real climate change.

Two long-time employees have retired: Anna Conklin and Pam Kaiser. New staff members include Erin Tombaugh, District Service Center and Liz Gough, Conference Accountant.

The Conference is working to align accounting systems across the GNW and use newly available features. Online payments for apportionments and fire & liability will roll out at the end of June; there will be a webinar and instructions; doing benefits in that manner is already happening. Churches that move all their payments to ACH will be offered \$250 credit on fire and liability insurance.

Disaffiliations have taken quite a bit of time for Treasurer's office staff, CFA and Trustees. As the 2023 apportioned budget was drafted, they tried not to strain the remaining churches. Churches still interested in disaffiliation or questioning if they want to disaffiliate must talk with District Superintendent by August 15 in order to have a first vote then sufficient time to do due diligence before fall charge conferences.

Those wanting more detail and transparency on the budget will find it easiest to look at the most recent audit which will be posted online. We have a 4.4 million apportioned budget, but total operations are closer to \$10 million, majority of which is pensions.

The WA-Cares long-term care insurance payroll deduction begins July 1; neither churches nor clergy are exempt. More information can be found on state of WA website.

Focus Session #1 Administrative Support, continued

Petition #8 - Pe Ell UMC closure, move concurrence, 98.5%.

Kathleen Weber gave testimony to a faithful completion of ministry. 272 voting, 137 needed, 268 yes, 4 no.

Petition #9 - East Wenatchee UMC closure, move concurrence, 97%

Daniel Miranda gave testimony to a faithful completion of ministry.

264 votes, 133 needed, 256 yes, 8 no

Litanies of Thanksgiving and Remembrance were led by *Daniel Miranda, Kathleen Weber,* and *Mark Galang.*

Video Reports Given

Twinlow Camp – The delightfulness of summer camp--preparing for summer so campers will have the best summer ever.

Global Ministries—trains, commissions, assigns and supports missionaries who share God's love around the world in partnership with 60 countries.

Camp Indianola—go outside, it's great therapy to embrace creation.

Global Ministries—Humanitarian Relief and Recovery for where disaster strikes, and homes and lives are destroyed. UMCOR provides hope for more than 80 years by serving all who need help.

Lazy F Camp—celebrating gifts of \$325,000 that helped to pay down the mortgage early, thus saving \$150,000. They are focusing on outdoor education with 8 weeks of school groups coming. Overnight camp is available, and a school bus will bring day campers.

Introductions to Guests for Session #1

Elizabeth Ingram Schindler introduced Dan and Courtney Randall, Mission Advocates for the Western Jurisdiction, and their family, who are being sent to Ireland to be a circuit pastor and pastor of congregational development, respectively. *Shalom Agtarap* prayed for the family.

Elizabeth Ingram Schindler introduced Reagan Page, a Global Mission Fellow serving in Seattle with the NW immigrant project. She and her cohort of 30 of 20–30-year-olds are focused on social justice ministry.

Bishop Cedrick introduced Laurie Day, Director of Connectional Ministries and Assistant to the Bishop and Crater Lake District Superintendent *John Tucker*, both from OR-ID Conference.

Reading of Appointments for Inland District Clergy Appointments

Read by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* and District Superintendent *Daniel Miranda*, welcomed and blessed by District Lay Leader John Townsend.

James Potts, lay member from Queen Anne UMC, offered a prayer before we adjourned for dinner.

DINNER BREAK

Memorial Worship Service & Reception

The service was held at Mason UMC. Sue McGrath preached a message encouraging all to weep and wail as a part of the grieving process, for the loss of loved ones, the losses of the pandemic, the battle ground which our nation has become. Communal lament is long overdue and reminds us we are not alone; it stitches us to our neighbors and awakens our hearts to their pains.

PNW PLENARY SESSION #2
JUNE 14, 2023, 9:00 A.M. PACIFIC TIME
HYBRID: IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

UNIVERSITY OF PUGET SOUND, SCHNEEBECK CONCERT HALL, TACOMA, WA

Devotions were led by *John Tucker*, District Superintendent of Crater Lake District, OR-ID Conference. Stop doing otherwise so you can go and do likewise.

Focus Session #2 Connecting for Missions International

Mary Stanton-Nurse, chair of the session, reported.

Consent Calendar, reporting petitions #14 & #7 move concurrence 98.2%.

227 voting, 114 needed, 223 yes, 4 no.

Included concurrence with the following petitions:

Petition #14 – A Call to General Conference to Add Fossil Fuels to United Methodist Investment Screens

Petition #17 – Solidarity with the Filipino People

Petition #12 Encourage Divestment for Local Churches and Northwest Foundation was split and addressed as two petitions.

Petition #12a encourage the Foundation to Divest from fossil fuels, move concurrence, 86%.

271 voting, 136 needed, 233 yes, 38 no.

Petition #12b invite local churches to consider divesting, move concurrence, 90.5%.

275 voting, 138 needed, 249 yes, 26 no.

Petition #13 was split and addressed as two petitions, in the following order:

Petition #13b, move concurrence.

272 voting, 137 needed, 262 yes, 10 no.

Petition #13a, motion to refer (discussion act of referral) lines 27-42.

Since language on ballot did not match what was on screen the results were scratched and a revote was taken, with the instructions: Regardless of what it says on ballot, vote for this now.

Referred 53.7% 268 voting, 135 needed, 144 yes, 124 no.

Petition #15 Greenhouse Emissions, concurrence was recommended. The petition was amended to change the year 2050 to 2040 and 30% to 50% and was approved as amended. 279 voting, 140 needed, 250 yes, 29 no.

Kathy Neary, small church consultant for the PNW conference, led a celebration for those who serve among us as deaconesses, diaconal ministers, home missionaries, certified lay ministers, Hispanic Lay Missioners, Hispanic Certified Lay Ministers, and Licensed Local Pastors—66 folks in the conference who have answered the call.

Retirement Service

Karen Yokota Love preached. Congratulations that you made it and are ready to start the rest of your lives. Your attitude is more important than your abilities, and doing is essential. But you must love yourself enough to take care of yourself so you can be a Good Samaritan. Your ministry is not done. Rest and renew yourselves and know that your call is not over, and God is not done with you. *Bishop Cedrick* led a litany of blessing. The retirees offered reflections on the role of the neighbor and encouraged all to go and do likewise. The offering was designated for S.L.A.M. trips, Students Learning About Mission by serving with indigenous people, learning culture, and building relationships, on the Yakama reservation. The offering raised \$1125.00. The 2023 retirees are: *Steve E. Baber, Querubin "Bing" Canlas, James "Jim" Clarke, Matt Gorman, Richard "Rich" Lang, Karen Martin Tichenor.*

Passing of the Mantle

Danielle Estelle Ramsay re-told the story of Elijah passing the mantle to Elisha in 2 Kings. *Bishop Cedrick* draped a symbolic mantle on *Bing Canlas*, who passed it to *Yvonne Agduy-eng* who would be ordained later this conference session. *Agduyeng* received the mantle while asking for a double share of the spirit of those who retire.

Joey Lopez offered a prayer before we broke for lunch.

LUNCH BREAK

Nominations Report

Derek Nakano celebrated that the 8-year quadrennium is drawing to a close and that new elections are scheduled for Annual Conference 2024.

Reading of Appointments for SeaTac District Clergy Appointments

Read by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* and District Superintendent *Derek Nakano*, welcomed and blessed by interim Lay Leader, J.D. Drollinger.

Board of Ordained Ministry Report

Geoff Helton reported highlights from the year's work, including: updating and expanding the inclusion statement to recognize that candidates and clergy come from and carry multiple identities; developing resources for the District Committees on Ordained Ministry including a Handbook to guide their work and fall training for our DCOMS to support them; adjusting and improving the interviews for provisional and full membership that allow for more interaction between our team and those we're interviewing while asking for less of a time commitment from candidates; supporting the work of existing pastoral leaders by offering training and workshops, including Advanced Boundaries Training, Wellness Webinars, a workshop on Leading with Renewed Energy and Joy with Beth Estock; starting a new Clergy Reflective Support Program that offers one-on-one coaching for pastoral leaders; broadening formation grants so that they can be used more widely; continuing safe harbor program for those who cannot serve effectively in their current setting because of who they are or who they love or because of their willingness to include the same. Future work intends to provide better and more frequent opportunities for healthy boundaries training and cultural competency; provide training and resources to help us confront racism in ourselves, our churches, our conference, our work including upstander and bystander training and implicit bias training; improving the mentoring provided to candidates, Certified Lay Ministers, and Licensed Local Pastors.

Those being presented for consecration and ordination this year include Vangie Rand, Ashley Skinner-Creek, Yvonne Agduyeng, Murray Crooks, Drew Frisbee, April Hall (online), Laura Holmes, Danielle Estelle Ramsay, Dirk Wooten, Mary Stanton-Nurse.

Historic Questions

Bishop Mary Ann Swenson spoke a word to the candidates before asking the historic questions and blessing the candidates.

Archives and History Reports

Wesley's Take the Web is an amusing spoof in which John & Charles ask their computerized Susana about the work of Archives and History.

Bo Bryan named and celebrated the 50th anniversary of ordination for *Thomas Albright & Richard Coghill*, and the 60th anniversary for *Donald Cramer*. Fern Prairie UMC received a plaque in celebration of 150 years of ministry.

Reading of Appointments for Puget Sound District Clergy Appointments

Read by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* and District Superintendent *Mark Galang*, welcomed and blessed by Lay Leader Keith Skore.

Volunteers in Mission Report

Cheryl Reagan encouraged everyone to give yourself a Ted Talk, turn the mirror around, open a window—you can do something.

Hispanic Ministry Report

Zulma Tifre was featured as an example of how elevating a lay volunteer's status, and providing more support, empowers them to grow in their abilities and the reach of their ministry. *Christopher Gudger-Raines* shares ministry with her at Mt. Vernon.

Video Reports Given

COSROW The Power of One Voice - women who support women to answer the call, develop their leadership, and receive prayers, mentorship, and encouragement to serve.

Ocean Park Camping - it's a beautiful beach and so much is happening.

Global Ministries - health initiatives strengthen, build, educate, and support vulnerable communities and help eradicate disease.

Global Ministries - evangelism and church revitalization through planting churches, nurturing them, along with addressing systemic racial, ethnic, and economic injustice.

Solidarity with the Filipino People

United Women in Faith - What does it mean to belong? All Access Membership.

Mission U - a transformative experience that helps one recharge, refocus, and bring justice for the world.

Church and Society - personal piety is not separated from acts of justice; United Methodists stand for Justice. Let's put our words into action.

Discipleship Ministries - design, develop, and assess ministry plans for spiritual growth and vitality.

The Future of the UMC: Reclaim, Revive, Renew #BeUMC

Jenny Phillips, GBGM reported on Environmental and Sustainability concerns, plus video report.

Reading of Appointments for Seven Rivers District Clergy Appointments

Read by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* and District Superintendent *Daniel Miranda* and welcomed and blessed by Lay Leader *Billie Fitzsimmons*.

Conference Board of Church and Society Report

David Wright reported the board has done much work with the ongoing themes of poverty, climate change and care, health, peace, racism, civil and human rights, and acknowledged the partnerships they have with Faith Action Network and United Women in Faith. The board requests that each congregation name a member to serve as its social justice advocate and as a contact person for ongoing work. Peace with justice awards of \$1000 each were announced for Pioneer United Women in Faith for their Last Resort Assistance Program; to Vitalize Kitsap for their Island Time program that providing community and connection for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and for Suquamish tribal and Camp Indianola collaboration on creating an art and information display honoring sacred land of the Suquamish people. The MLK Award is presented to Dori Peralta Baker, a layperson at Yakima Wesley, for her exceptional work on the front lines of social justice in Yakima.

Bishop Cedrick announced that today (June 14) is *Bishop Talbert's* birthday.

Bishop Cedrick identified the Bucket of Grace on the table, full of with bubble wands, and shared a story about leading a “remembering your baptism” event.

Vitality Commission Report

Katie Ladd posed the question: What is the Status of the IV Team: who is on it and what are they doing? Kristina Gonzalez, Executive Director answered. Day-to-day Kristina is the Executive Director. Jess Bielman, Associate Director of Innovation for an engaged church resigned. Patrick Ferguson does the administrative work. There were 6.5 FTE at one time, but now only 2 FTE and a consultant. More recently Kristina has been leaning into administration and relationships; bringing into alignment some of the processes over the three parts of the Greater Northwest Area; building relationships with planters; and moving into a model where there is more human resources support. Also, there are plans to move into a more programmatic approach by bringing the learnings of the team into the local churches. Sustainable Innovation Vitality needs to be by every lay and clergy in local churches doing the outreach into the communities. Otherwise, we will fail.

Introductions to Guests for Session #2

Jenny Phillips, General Board of Global Ministries.

Cynthia Dopke, Conference Relations Manager from Wespath.

Amos Nascimento, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry Assoc. Gen. Secretary.

Martin Saunders, of the University of WA Wesley Club, announced the 100th anniversary of the UW Club, and 100 years of the Conference doing campus ministries.

Announcing:

Academy for Spiritual Formation will meet April 21-Friday noon, 2024 with the theme of “Welcoming the Wilderness”.

PNW PLENARY SESSION #3
JUNE 15, 2023, 9:00 A.M. PACIFIC TIME
HYBRID: IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM
SANCTUARY, MASON UMC, TACOMA, WA

Bishop Bridgeforth asked *Elizabeth Ingram Schindler* to open with prayer. Explanations were given for both the glass art on the pulpit and the fabric on the piano, both of which were on display in the previous plenary setting this week. The glass art is part of a larger installation crafted for the bishop’s service of installation, and a portion of the installation was carried to each of the three annual conference sessions, ending with PNW. The glass art was created by Alaska Native artist Rachel Juzeler and is inspired by nature in SE Alaska and constructed of mostly discarded items. The woven rainbow cloth was created by *Lisa Talbot*, Director of Connectional Ministries of the Alaska Conference.

Budget report & Money Questions Answered

Cara Scriven began by answering questions brought to her. Were the line items dependent on endowments and investments for funds? Yes, some supplement for some, such as the pension board funds and the assistant treasurer’s compensation (when that position is filled). The Board of Ordained Ministry has some which they manage, and thus only part of their funds are in the apportioned budget. Projects such as the Innovation Vitality Team are supported from funds from investments from the sale of closed churches managed by the Board of Trustees. District Superintendent housing allowances are partially funded from rental income and investments from the sales of District Superintendent “parsonages”. What is in the Petition #10 budget is only the apportioned part of the budget.

Office of Connectional Ministries line-item questions: 80% of \$860,000 is for program staff. Other money is for OCM expenses, youth, young adults, media center, etc., including meetings; 5% for Transitions Retreat and discretionary money used for new programs, etc. We are trying to get back to the pre-pandemic programming and the budget to support that. Specific salaries for staff are not shared because staff were targeted in the past, but you can see the District Superintendent and Conference Treasurer wages. In most cases we have tried, somewhat unsuccessfully, to remain competitive with the market. Seattle CPI went up 28.4% since 2015, but support staff has only increased 14.86% and executive staff 9.86%. Some OCM budget is to help bridge the gap. The goal in the next year is to re-work the budget to improve transparency. The BSA settlement and allocation costs will be shared among churches that had Boy Scout groups; allocations will be a few

hundreds to one thousand dollars. The minimum salary for the clergy is calculated using a formula averaging Seattle CPI and average increase of clergy in previous two years; also open for study for a better picture of how the whole compensation package fits in the marketplace for both clergy and conference staff.

Budget Ballot, move concurrence 95.2% - 248 voting, 125 needed, 236 yes, 12 no

Disaster Response—providing supply centers and teams to respond to natural disasters of many types. Jim Truitt, leader, and organizer for many years, is stepping down.

A Call to Action for Indigenous People

Personal privilege, Julia Eckberg, Lay member from Edmonds UMC

Calls the annual conference to collaborate and consult with the Circle of Indigenous Ministries to initiate a process of repentance and reconciliation with the Yakama Nation and make necessary reparations. Named our complicity with the actions of the boarding school at Fort Simcoe, that sanctioned violence, separation of families, stripping of language and culture, and dehumanization of native children. We must build relationships that remember the history, weep and wail at the harms caused and the bias seeded; we must offer reparations, compassion, and healing work. The conference acknowledged the presence of *Alan Buck*, director of the Circle of Indigenous Ministries. *Lisa Talbot* offered a prayer response.

Faith Foundation NW Report

Tom Wilson, Exec Dir Faith Foundation NW, who is retiring June 30. As of the end of May 2023 \$82,000,000 are under the Foundation's management. The audit is completed. After a nation-wide search, our own Julia Frisbie has been selected as the incoming Executive Director, a long-time United Methodist, Stanford Graduate, clergy spouse, parent, and smart person. A video report was included.

Bishop's Award to Tom Wilson, *Bishop Cedrick's* first such award given. Nancy Tam Davis, Lay Leader and Barbara Dadd Shaffer, board of Trustees for the Foundation, both offered words of gratitude and celebration for Tom's leadership.

Reading of Appointments for Extension Ministry Clergy Appointments

Read by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* and OCM Director *David Valera*; blessing was given by Conference Lay Leader Nancy Tam Davis.

Setting Dates & Location for Annual Conference 2024

Bishop Cedrick set the dates for the nest annual conference session for June 13-16, 2024, in the Seven Rivers District, *Daniel Miranda* hosting.

Motion to Adjourn

Shirley DeLarme moved the closing of this 150th session of the Annual Conference

following the service of ordination and commission and the shared closing worship, a shared session with the Greater Northwest Area. 2nd and Approved 97.4%. 189 voting, 95 needed, 184 yes, 5 no.

Ordination Worship Service

Bishop Mary Ann Swenson, preaching, on the 50th anniversary of her own ordination in this conference. Referencing an earlier part of Luke 10, *Swenson* emphasizes that Jesus says go, not where, but go, unconcerned about where or to whom. Go with nothing, not to a place, but to a way of seeing as God sees, a harvest filled with the family of God, full of hope, healing, compassion, and a passion for justice and love. The harvest of love is plentiful.

Other Notes

Greeting Seattle Pacific Seminary by Rev. Dr. Brian Lugioyo.

Kaylissa Beale named her pain that young adults and pages are not present because of the dates and days of the annual conference schedule.

Justin White thanked Joe Lee (PD candidate) Nashville, Pat Gerdes of Port Orchard, Dorothy Grether, *Mark Haberman* organist, *Jennifer Stewart* all things altar related, Ashley Skinner Creek memorial service, *Beryl Ingram* retirement service, *Yvonne Agduy-eng* and *Danielle Estelle Ramsay* opening worship, Sue McGrath memorial, *Amanda Nicol* memorial, Ella Dedeaux spiritual guide and behind the scenes, *Alissa Amestoy* ordination & commissioning, *Elizabeth Ingram Schindler*, *David Valera*, *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth*, *Karen Yokota Love* retirement.

David Valera thanked Good NewsTV, David Woods GNTV team leader, *Susan Boegli* & Emma Kelly and congregation of Mason UMC, staff etc. at UPS, tech team, Teri Tobey, Ronnie Estoque, Karen Biggers, Pete Olds, Patrick Ferguson, Nadine Miyahara, Erin Tombaugh, Laura Velonza, *Kathy Neary*, *Pam Osborne*, Kathy Hogg, Rhondalei Gabuat, *Shane Moore*, *Elizabeth Ingram Schindler*, and *Shirley DeLarme*. *Bishop Cedrick* was thanked for his first AC and celebrated with the Bishop's Hymn.

Announcements: One positive COVID test.

Bishop Cedrick expressed gratitude to *David Valera*. Later during worship *David Valera* expressed gratitude to *Justin White*.

GREATER NORTHWEST CLOSING SESSION

JUNE 15, 2023,

MASON UMC, TACOMA, WA

VIA LIVESTREAMING

5:00 P.M. PACIFIC TIME

Closing session was hosted by *Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth*, with musical interludes provided by *Justin White* and Joe Lee.

Summary Reports

Conference Secretaries gave summary reports of the works of each of their conferences, *Shirley DeLarme* for Pacific Northwest, *Nico Reijns* for Alaska, and *Laura Jaquith Bartlett* for Oregon-Idaho.

Vitality Commission

Bishop Cedrick thanked the members of the Vitality Commission for both their agreement to serve and for the work they did. It is time to move forward while building trust and healing ruptures, and are supported fully by both the bishop, the cabinet, and the staff. Wonderful and insightful recommendations to be in ministry with more people, and with diversity, in this place we call home. Congregational Development is near and dear to the bishop's heart. Support can look like connecting planters and projects with the systems that helps them flourish, but not at the expense of doing anything else.

Bishop Cedrick stated that he sees the need for innovation projects as something new, but not always something that takes place outside of the established system. If any of our ministries without endowments, who worship fewer than 250 people, and an ever-diversifying demographic all around us, if we're going to do more than hold steady, we must ideate with emerging realities in mind. That is innovation. And if we want vitality we must innovate. It is obvious we have a system that privileges some and holds others hostage. We focus on our properties and our proceeds far more than we focus on people. We need to and can do more, but must do so with support, without penalizing disappointments, and we must hear and heal.

Next steps will be happening soon with innovators beginning actions on the recommendations and a promise of more information shared. *Bishop Cedrick* thanked the Vitality Commission for their work and then released the team.

Disaster Response

David Valera recounted his introduction to Jim Truitt and the beginnings of significant disaster response preparedness so we can "go help some people." Jim was known for using these words regularly. Jim is stepping down, retiring from this volunteer ministry. A thank

you and celebration video was shared and *Bishop Cedrick* gave a prayer of thanksgiving.

Claremont School of Theology

Bishop Grant Hagiya explained the financial situation of the school, then requested prayers and significant financial support.

Closing Worship & Sermon

Bishop Cedrick Bishop, preaching. We have journeyed together from Juneau, Fairbanks, Meridian, and Tacoma. He reviewed the overview of the M.I.L.E. that will be a guide for the years ahead: Ministry that Matters, Itineracy and Location, Lay Enhancement, and now the Elimination of Racism. E is last because that's how we spell mile, but it is critical for its own sake. We have been about spreading love and being neighbor for a M.I.L.E.

Connections across the area are not what he had thought. There are varieties of cultures and levels of trust that factor into every decision that is made. Regionalism within each conference is astounding meaning there are more opportunities to share the gospel and the M.I.L.E. Ministry that matters, zeroes in on housing and health, which includes climate care. As for young people, they have a spirituality, and are finding and making community that looks nothing like what worked for us but are serving and part of organizations that are out churching the church. Itineracy and Location is about getting pastoral leaders where they can thrive, getting the churches the leaders, the churches need to reflect the best they can be in the emerging contexts of ministry where the needs of the context are higher than the needs of the congregation. Lay Ministry Enhancement means celebrating and supporting every call to serve, beginning with prayer. Elimination of racism by examining our policies, our structures, and our behaviors that perpetuate racism so that we can make the changes and reparations that are necessary to move us toward a just and equitable space and reality where all are included. Be as anti-racist as we can. Doing some serious work with the assistance of a consultant, cohorts, and active steps beginning in the fall.

I. BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Minutes of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference
Held Via Zoom with support of GNTV Media
From June 1, 2022 through June 25, 2022
Bishop Elaine JW Stanovsky, Presiding
Date When Organized: 1873 Number of This Session: 149

PART I. ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (§603.7, 619)?

Secretary Shirley M. DeLarme
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Communicator Patrick Scriven
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 13650, Des Moines, WA 98198-1009
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2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated (§603.1)? **Yes**

3. Bonding and auditing:
What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts (§618, 2511)?

Name	Position	Amount Bonded
	All Conference Treasurer's Office Staff	\$500,000 bonding for treasurer
	The President of the Conference Council on Finance and Administration	\$1,000,000 insurance

Have the books of said officers or persons been audited (§617, 2511)? **Yes (Copies can be requested from the Treasurer's Office by calling 206-870-6832)**

4. What agencies have been appointed or elected?
a) Who have been elected chairpersons for the mandated structures listed?

Structure	Chairperson	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Email
Council on Finance and Admin.(§611)	Cara Scriven	1616 Peach Park Lane, Puyallup, WA 98371	425-328-8881	revscriven@gmail.com
Board of Ordained Ministry (§635)	Geoffrey Helton	Spokane: Audubon park 3908 N Driscoll Blvd Spokane, WA 99205-1616	509-325-4541	geoff@audubonparkumc.org
Board of Pensions (§639)	Jeffery Johnson	6211 West Methow Court, Spokane, WA 99208	509-220-0073	jrjohnson@aol.com
Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference (§2512)	Pat Simpson	706 31st Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144-3204	(206) 383-1274	psimpsonpnwumc@gmail.com

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Committee on Episcopacy (§637)	Megan Kilpatrick	2217 N Bristol St. Tacoma, WA 98406-2512	253-678-6924	Mckilpatrick@hotmail.com
Admin. Review Committee (§636)	Sharon Moe	4555 39th Ave SW #B517, Seattle, WA, 98116	206-622-7278	Revmo1@aol.com
United Women in Faith (United Methodist Women) (§647)	Deb Avery	2202 NE 124th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98684	306-281-0786	davery51@q.com
General Commission on United Methodist Men (§648)	Jim Russell	17308 Woodcrest Dr. NE, Bothell, WA 98011-5405	425-788-6869	Jimrussell1@juno.com
Conference Commission on Archives and History (§641)	William M. Bryan, Jr.	824 6th St., Prosser, WA 99350-1441	509-786-1097	prosserumc.99350@gmail.com

- b) Indicate the name of the agency (or agencies) and the chairperson(s) in your annual conference which is (are) responsible for the functions related to each of the following general church agencies (§610.1):

General Agency	Conference Agency	Chair-person	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Email
General Board of Church and Society	Church and Society, Board of	Jim Davis	15765 Greenleaf Lane, SW Port Orchard, WA 98367	253-677-5492	Kjadavis42@gmail.com
General Board of Discipleship		None			
General Board of Global Ministries	Global Ministries, Conference Board of	Marilyn Reid & Kathy Bryson	15026 40th Ave W, Apt. 14-203 Linwood, 98087 Stanwood, WA	206-369-3221 509-539-2978	Marilynse21@gmail.com Brysonpnw@gmail.com
Higher Education and Campus Ministry	Higher Education & Campus Ministry, Board of	Robert "Willie" Deuel	302 N 78th St., Seattle, WA 98103-4619	618-214-2137	williedeuel@gmail.com
General Commission on Christian Unity and Inter-religious Concerns		None			
General Commission on Religion and Race	Commission on Religion and Race	Paul Mitchell	209 E Birch St, Walla Walla, WA 99362-3081	(310) 720-4511	equipyouth@aol.com

General Commission on the Status and Role of Women	Status & Role of Women, Commission On	<i>Deb Conklin</i>	1607 E 9 th Ave. Spokane, WA 99202-3419	509-535-5588	gracewithjustice@yahoo.com
United Methodist Communications	Communications Commission	<i>Jim Doeppen</i>	PO Box 670909, Chugiak, AK 99567	615-785-3390	pastorjim@gmail.com

c) Indicate the conference agencies and chairpersons which have responsibilities for the following functions:

General Agency or Discipline ¶	Name of Agency	Chair-person	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Email
Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries (¶657)		None			
Disability Concerns (¶653)	Full Participation of Persons Living with Disabilities, Committee on	<i>Kristin Ellison-Oslin</i>	14511 25 th Ave. NE, Shoreline, WA 98155-7315	206-363-3040	Rev.co@icloud.com
Equitable Compensation (¶625)	Equitable Compensation & Mission Aid, Commission on	<i>J. Michael Graef</i>	Spoken Valley UMC, 115 N Raymond Rd., Spokane Valley, WA 99206-3729	509-924-7262	jmgraef@outlook.com
Laity (¶631)	Laity, Board of	Nancy Tam Davis	15765 Green Leaf Lane SW, Port Orchard, WA 98367-9237	360-876-7503	ntamdavis@gmail.com
Native American Ministry (¶654)	Native American Ministries Committee	Vera J. Sonneck	23760 Spalding Mill Rd., Spalding, ID, 83540-6082	208-790-5164	
Small Membership Church (¶645)	Transitional Ministry Developer	<i>Kathy Neary</i>	P. O. Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198-1009	360-334-1845	kneary@pnwumc.org
Conference Council on Youth Ministry (¶649)		None			
Conference Council on Young Adult Ministry (¶650)		None			
Director of Connectional Ministries (¶608)		<i>David Valera</i>	P.O. Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198-1009	206-870-6806	dvalera@pnwumc.org
Jurisdictional Committee		None			

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Conference Chancellor		Molly Gabel	PO Box 21846 Seattle, WA. 98111	(206) 292- 1144	chancellor@ pnwumc. org
Conference Journal Editor		Kathy Hogg	P.O. Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198- 1009	206-870- 6820	khogg@ pnwumc. org

- d) Have persons been elected for the following district boards and committees?
- (1) District Boards of Church Location & Building (§2518.2)? **Yes**
- (2) Committees on District Superintendency (§669)? **Yes**
- (3) District Committees on Ordained Ministry (§666)? **Yes**
- e) What other councils, boards, commissions, or committees have been appointed or elected in the annual conference.

Structure	Chairperson	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Email
Hispanic Ministries Committee	<i>Cruz Edwin Santos</i>	PO Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198	407-202- 1052	cesantos@pnwumc.org
Ethnic Ministries Committee	<i>Rev. Dr. Troy Lynn Carr</i>	1675 SW Cherry Pk Rd #A-104 Troutdale, OR 97060	206-945- 3709	revtlc@hotmail.com
Camping Board of Stewards	Rick Sperry	2310 Canyon Hills DrE. Wenatchee WA 98802		
Congregational Development, Board of	<i>Kathy Hargraves</i>	1326 N Garden St Bellingham, WA 98225	605-553- 6135	pastorkathy@gardenstreetumc.org
Connectional Table, Conference	<i>Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth</i>	PO Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198	206-870- 6810	bishop@greaternw.org
Nominations Committee	<i>Derek Nakano</i>	PO Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198	206-799- 4689	revdnak@aol.com
Older Adult Ministries	TBD			
Rules Committee	Jim Odiorne	855 Trosper Rd SW Ste 108-297, Tumwater, WA 98512	360-485- 5115	snjodiorne@comcast.net
Cross-Conference Vitality Work	Kristina Gonzalez	PO Box 13650 Des Moines, WA 98198	206-870- 6809	kgonzalez@greaternw.org

5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept and reported their respective data in accordance to the prescribed formats? (¶606.8)? **Yes**
6. What is the schedule of minimum base compensation for clergy for the ensuing year (¶¶342, 625.3)? **\$49,012**
7. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year (¶614.1a)? **\$698,327**
8. a) What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the pension and benefit programs of the conference for the ensuing year (¶¶614.1d, 1507)? **\$0**
- b) What are the apportionments to this conference for the ensuing year?
- (1) For the World Service Fund?

\$470,679
- (2) For the Ministerial Education Fund?

\$158,973
- (3) For the Black College Fund?

\$ 63,413
- (4) For the Africa University Fund?

\$ 14,192
- (5) For the Episcopal Fund?

\$188,706
- (6) For the General Administration Fund? 55,890

\$ 55,890
- (7) For the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund?

\$ 2,092
- 9 . Conference and district lay leaders (¶¶603.9, 660):
- a) Conference lay leader: Nancy Tam Davis
- Mailing Address: 15765 Green Leaf Lane SW, Port Orchard, WA 98367-9237
- b) Associate conference lay leaders: Andy O'Donnell
- c) District and associate district lay leaders:
- Crest to Coast Missional District—Kelly Andrews
- Inland Missional District—John Townsend, Lyn Rush
- Puget Sound Missional District—Keith Skore
- SeaTac Missional District—J.D. Drollinger
- Seven Rivers Missional District—Billie Fitzsimmons
10. List local churches which have been:
- a) Organized or continued as New Church Starts (¶259,1-4, continue to list congregations here until listed in questions 14.c, d, e or f)

GCFA Number	Church Name	District	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Date Founded
GCFA#006052	Tacoma First Multicultural Hub	SeaTac Missional	c/o Tacoma: First UMC, 621 Tacoma Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98402	(253)627-0129	July 1, 2019
GCFA#921775	Redeemer (Kingston) Vitality Project	Puget Sound Missional	9900 NE Shorty Campbell Rd., Kingston, WA 98346-9614	(360)297-4847	July 1, 2016
GCFA#919225	Sunnyside Hispanic Restart Momento Nuevo	Seven Rivers Missional	906 E. Edison Ave., Sunnyside, WA 98944-2208		July 1, 2016
GCFA#924370	Good Seed Korean Fellowship	SeaTac Missional	1405 10th Ave Milton, WA 98354-8828	(253)363-3169	2009

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GCFA#918950	First UMC of Canada (Samahan)	Puget Sound Missional	c/o Bing Canlas 7604 Bruce Rd., Custer, WA 98240	(360)366-5181	2007
GCFA#922597	El Dios Viviente (Living God) Vitality Project	SeaTac Missional	812 SW 126th St., Seattle, WA 98148	(206)763-0710	2005
GCFA#918926	La Palabra Viviente (Living Word)	Puget Sound Missional	127- 112th St. SW, Everett, WA 98204	(425)879-1533	1999
	Yesler Neighborhood Caleb Encinas planter	SeaTac Missional			2020
	ACTS on Stage HUB/Michelle Lang-Raymond planter	Crest to Coast Missional	PO Box 1231, Orting, WA 98360		2017
	ACTS on Stage HUB/Michelle Lang-Raymond planter	SeaTac Missional	10806 12th Ave. SW, Seattle, WA 98416	(206)463-9804	2020
	Vashon UMC/Mark Wagner planter Vitality Project	Puget Sound Missional	17928 Vashon HWY SW, Vashon, WA 98070	(206)463-9804	2021
	South Park Community Church Michelle Lang-Raymond planter	SeaTac Missional	9344 55th Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98148	(206)399-0940	2020

- b) Organized or continued as Mission Congregations (§259.1-4, continue to list congregations here until listed in questions 14.c, d, or e) **None**
- c) Organized or continued Satellite congregations (§247.22, continue to list here until listed in questions 14.a, c, d, or e)

GCFA Number	Church Name	Parent Church	District	Mailing Address/ Phone	Date Launched
GCFA# not needed	Hispanic Ministry (fellowship)	Mt Vernon UMC	Puget Sound Missional	1607 E Division St, Mt Vernon, WA 98274 360-424-3628	2014

- d) Organized as Chartered (§259.5-10)

GCFA Number	Church Name	District	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Date Chartered
GCFA#919054	Valley & Mountain Fellowship	SeaTac Missional	5623 Rainier Ave. S, Seattle, WA 98118		May 30, 2016

- e) Merged (¶¶2546, 2547)
 (1) United Methodist with United Methodist - **None**
 (2) Other mergers (indicated denomination) - **None**
f) Discontinued or abandoned (¶¶229, 341.2, 2549) Include reason for each church listed.
 (1) New Church Start (¶¶259.2,3, ¶2553) -

GCFA Number	Church Name	District	Location	Date Closed	Reason for Closure
	Orting UMC Vitality Project	Crest to Coast Mis-sional	PO Box 1231, Orting, WA 98360	2017 -	Vitality restored; church continues— NOT closed
GCFA#006063	Marysville UMC: Better Together/Kate Kilroy planter	Puget Sound Missional	5016 75th Ave., Marysville, WA 98270	2018 – 2023	Unsuccessful new start
GCFA#006017	Steamboat Island Fellowship/Heather Sparkman planter	Crest to Coast Mis-sional	1224 Legion Way SE, Olympia, WA 98501	2018 – 2023	Unsuccessful new start
GCFA#005924	Spokane: Audubon Park-Creators' Table	Inland Mis-sional	c/o Spokane: Audubon Park UMC, 3908 N Driscoll Blvd., Spokane, WA 99205-1616	2017 – 2023	Unsuccessful new start
GCFA#005946	North Community Church	Inland Mis-sional	c/o Coeur D'Alene: CUMC, 1470 W. Hanley Ave., Coeur D'Alene, ID 83815	2017 – 2023	Unsuccessful new start

- (2) Mission Congregation (¶¶259.1a, ¶2553) - **None**
(3) Satellite Congregation (¶¶247.220) - **None**
(4) Chartered Local Church (¶¶259/5, ¶2553) -

GCFA Number	Church Name	District	Location	Date Closed	Reason for Closure
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928060	Pe Ell	Crest to Coast	PO Box 276 (416 S 1st St) Pe Ell, WA 98572-0276	6/30/2023	No congregation
918345	East Wenatchee: Trinity	Seven Rivers Missional	850 N. James Ave. E. Wenatchee, WA 98802-4663	10/31/2022	No congregation
928947	Anatone	Inland Missional	1036 Pine St Anatone, WA 99401-0061	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
929007	Cavendish	Inland Missional	PO Box 424 (12767 Cavendish Hwy) Orofino, ID 83544-0424	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
929042	Colfax	Inland Missional	PO Box 147 (109 S. Mill St.) Colfax, WA 99111-0147	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
924905	Coleville	Inland Missional	930 S. Elm St. Colville, WA 99114-2600	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
924905	LaCrosse	Inland Missional	PO Box 238 LaCrosse, WA 99143-0238	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
919021	Orofino Peck	Inland Missional	PO Box 424 (12767 Cavendish Hwy) Orofino, ID 83544-0424	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
918276	Reardan	Inland Missional	PO Box 186 (796 Columbia St) Reardan, WA 99029-0186	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
925784	St. John	Inland Missional	PO Box 236 (5 W. Broadway) Saint John, WA 99171-0236	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation

921662	Silverdale	Puget Sound Missional	PO Box 1400 (9982 Silverdale Way) Silverdale, WA 98383-1400	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
922028	Woodinville Community	Puget Sound Missional	17110 140th Ave. NE Woodinville, WA 98072-5252	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
929064	Connell	Seven Rivers Missional	PO Box 99 (104 S burke Ave) Connell, WA 99326	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
919021	Oroville	Seven Rivers Missional	141 Chesaw Road Oroville, WA 98844	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation
919065	Pateros	Seven Rivers Missional	PO Box 115 (124 Dawson St.) Pateros, WA 98846	5/31/2023	Disaffiliation

- g) Relocated and to what address -**None**
- h) Changed name of church (Example: “First” to “Trinity”) - **None**
- i) Transferred this year into this conference from other United Methodist conference(s) and with what membership (¶¶41, 260) - **None**
- i) Transferred this year into this conference from other United Methodist conference(s) and with what membership (¶41, ¶260)? **None**
- j) What cooperative parishes in structured forms have been established? (¶206) **None**
- k) What other changes have taken place in the list of churches? **None**
11. Are there Ecumenical Shared Ministries in the conference? (¶207, 208)
- a) Federated Church **None**
- b) Union Church **None**
- c) Merged Church **None**
- d) Yoked Parish **None**
12. What changes have been made in district and charge lines (please list the GCFA Number beside church name)? **None**

PART II PERTAINING TO ORDAINED AND LICENSED CLERGY

(Note: A (v) notation following a question in this section signifies that the action or election requires a majority vote of the clergy session of the annual conference. If an action requires more than a simple majority, the notation (2/3v) or (3/4v) signifies that a two-thirds or three-fourths majority vote is required. Indicate credential of persons in Part II: FD, FE, PD, PE, and AM when requested.)



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13. Are all the clergy members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration (§§604.4, 605.7)? **Yes**
14. Who constitute:
 - a) The Administrative Review Committee (§636)? (v)

Mary Boyd

Ruth Marston-Bibl

Sharon Moe

Lilia Felicitas-Malana, alternate

Mark Hearn, Alternate
 - b) The Conference Relations Committee of the Board of Ordained Ministry (§635.1d)?

Michele Campton-Stebr

Megan Kilpatrick

Cathy Law, co-chair

David Nieda, co-chair

Hubert Rigor

Willem Romeijn
 - c) The Committee on Investigation (§2703)

Joanne Carlson Brown

Gloria Kymn

David Tinney – chair

Steve Fisher, Lay

Sonya Hampton, Lay

Megan Kilpatrick, Lay

Eileen Sawyer, Lay

VACANCY, Lay

Steve Baber, alternate

Deb Conklin, alternate

Kathy Neary, alternate

Joyce O'Connor-Magee, alternate

Mark Randall, alternate

Mel Woodworth, alternate

VACANCY, alternate

VACANCY, alternate
15. Who are the certified candidates (§§ 310, 313, 314) (NOTE: Everyone who wants to become an LP, PE, or PD must first become a certified candidate.)
 - a) Who are currently certified as candidates for ordained or licensed ministry?

Name	District	Date Certified
Knight, Chris	Crest to Coast	2017
Mattocks, Allison	Crest to Coast	01-July-18
Beale, Kaylissa	Inland	2017
Andres, Hannah	Puget Sound	
Bortnick, Melissa	Puget Sound	
Easley, Clynton	Puget Sound	01-Oct-19
Hogan, Drew	Puget Sound	28-Apr-22
Wiederhold, Joe	Puget Sound	01-Oct-19
Afeaki, Luma	SeaTac	2022

Name	District	Date Certified
Belista, Denise	SeaTac	23-Sept-17
Celin, Jackie	SeaTac	15-Sept-20
Folau, Ilaise Puloka	SeaTac	21-Jan-21
Gurtowski, Will	SeaTac	16-Feb-23
Jones, Chasity	SeaTac	7-Apr-22
Lee, Joe	SeaTac	26-May-22
Johnson, Aaron	Seven Rivers	26-May-22

- b) Who have had their candidacy for ordained or licensed ministry accepted by a District Committee on Ordained Ministry in another annual conference? (Include name of accepting conference.) **None**
- c) Who have been discontinued as certified candidates for licensed or ordained ministry? **None**
- (Note: Once a candidate is appointed as FL or PL, they are no longer listed as a certified candidate (except the first year they are appointed when they would need to be listed in 15 and in 16 or 17). Students appointed as Local Pastors (§318.3) are the only people who are allowed to be listed as a candidate in one conference while being listed as an LP in a different conference. Par.318.3 stipulate that students appointed as local pastors can serve in either a full or part-time capacity.)
16. Who have completed the studies for the license as a local pastor, are approved, but are not now appointed? (§315 —Indicate for each person the year the license was approved.): (3/4v)

Name	District	Year Licensed Approved
Anderson, Dean	Crest to Coast	2018
Jacob, Ann	Puget Sound	2022
Hola, Loumaile	SeaTac	09-Sept-21
Githinji, Cyrus	SeaTac	2019

17. Who are approved and appointed as: (Indicate for each person the first year the license was awarded. Indicate what progress each has made in the course of study or the name of the seminary in which they are enrolled. Indicate with an asterisk those who have completed the five year course of study or the M.Div. (§319.4): PLEASE NOTE: Persons on this list must receive an episcopal appointment. (3/4v)
- a) Full-time local pastors? (§318.1)

Name	First Year License Awarded	Years Completed with Course of Study
Jenkins, Samara	2022	12
*McFadden, Vonda	2010	20
*Moreno, Leslie	2021	MDiv
*Stauffer, Cody	2014	20
Andres, Hannah	2023	
*Marie, Sheila	2012	20
*Wagner, Mark	2021	MDiv
Guzman, Gerardo	2009	9
*Klepach, Scott, Jr.	2016	MDiv
*Rodriguez, Joel	2016	20

- b) Part-time local pastors? (§318.2) (fraction of full-time in one-quarter increments)

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Name	First Year License Awarded	Fraction of Full-Time to be served	Years Completed with Course of Study
Malua, Sione	2017	½	0
*Mattocks, Allison	2018	¾	MDiv
*Devantier, René	2009	¾	20
Deveney, Celeste	2022	¾	2
*Easley, Clynton	2022	½	MDiv
*Kilroy, Katherine	2020	¾	MDiv
*Pacheco, Jose	2014	½	20
*Pile, Tanya	2018	¾	MDiv
Tifre, Zulma	2022	½	14
Chamberlain, Brad	2019	½	3
*Estévez, Sofia	2017	¼	20
Partch, Jenny	2013	¾	20
Fisher, Karen	2018	½	5

- c) Students from other annual conferences or denominations serving as local pastors and enrolled in a school of theology listed by the University Senate (§318.3,4)? **None**
- d) Students who have been certified as candidates in your annual conference and are serving as local pastors in another annual conference while enrolled in a school of theology listed by the University Senate (§318.3) **None**
- e) Persons serving as local pastors while seeking readmission to conference membership (§365.4, 367, 368.3)? (If not in this conference indicate name of conference where serving.) **None**
- f) Who are approved for an annual extension beyond the prescribed limit of time of completed Course of Study as recommended by DCOM and BOM (§319.3) (v)? **None**

18. Who have been discontinued as local pastors (§320.1)?

Name	Date discontinued
Bortnick, Melissa	5/16/2023
McCue, David	5/31/2023
Cushman, Colin	6/30/2022
McGowan, Leslie	6/30/2023
Eddings, Larry	June 2023

19. Who have been reinstated as local pastors (§320.4) (v)? **None**
20. What ordained ministers or provisional members from other Annual Conferences or Methodist denominations are approved for appointment in the Annual Conference while retaining their conference or denominational membership (§331.8, 346.1)? (List alphabetically; indicate Annual Conference or denomination where membership is held. Indicate credential.)
- a) Annual Conferences

Name	Clergy Status	Home Conference
Bowers, Carolyn	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Brim, Shirley 'Jan'	OR	California-Nevada

Name	Clergy Status	Home Conference
Carruthers, Damian	OE	South Germany
Casey, Sarah	OE	Northern Illinois
Connor, Jessie	OE	Oregon-Idaho
DeDeaux, Ella	OE	Mississippi
Feliciano, Norman	OE	Middle Philippines
Füss, Richard	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Gilliken, Margaret	OE	Mountain Sky
Go, John	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Jung, Joseph	OE	West Ohio
Larson, Deborah	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Macklin, Kenneth	OR	California-Pacific
Mars, John	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Meese, Pam	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Park, Mia MiKyung	OP	Oregon-Idaho
Poer, Kimberley	OE	Texas
Rainsberger, Keri	OE	Northern Illinois
Reffner, Gregory	OE	Great Plains
Ritchea, Bernard	OR	Rio Texas
Santos, Cruz Edwin	OE	Florida
Shewell, Ric	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Smith, Jeremy	OE	Oregon-Idaho
Thomison, Douglas	OE	Missouri

b) Other Methodist Denominations

Name	Clergy Status	Denomination
Mmujuri Ncabani, Grace	OF	Methodist Church in Kenya
Park, Se-Yong	OE	Korean Methodist

21. What clergy in good standing in other Christian denominations have been approved to serve appointments or ecumenical ministries within the bounds of the Annual Conference while retaining their denominational affiliation (§§331.8, 346.2)? (v) (Designate with an asterisk those who have been accorded voting rights within the annual conference. Indicate credential.)

Name	Clergy Status	Denomination
Brown, Malcolm	OF	Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Dowling, Meghan	OF	Evangelical Covenant
*Dunn, Donald	OF	Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Harris, Byron	OF	American Baptist
Hawley, Ieisha	OF	Evangelical Covenant

22. Who are affiliate members: (List alphabetically; indicate annual conference or denomination where membership is held.)

- With vote (§586.4b [v])? **None**
- Without vote (§§334.5, 344.4)? (2/3v) **None**

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NOTE: If your conference has admitted or ordained persons as a courtesy to another conference, list these persons in Question 40 only. If persons have been admitted or ordained by another annual conference as a courtesy to your conference, list these persons in Questions 27-39, whichever are appropriate, giving the date and name of the accommodating conference.

23. Who are elected as associate members? ¶322 (3/4v) (List alphabetically-see note preceding Question 23) **None**
24. Who are **elected** as provisional members and what seminary are they attending, if in school? (under ¶¶322.4, 324, 325)
- a) Provisional Deacons under the provisions of ¶¶ 324.4a, c or ¶324.5(3/4v) **None**
 - b) Provisional Elders under the provisions of ¶¶ 324.4a, b or ¶324.6 (3/4v); ¶ 322.4 (3/4v)

Name	Seminary
Rand, Evangeline	The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology

25. Who are **continued** as provisional members, in what year were they admitted to provisional membership, and what seminary are they attending, if in school (¶326)?
- a) In preparation for ordination as a deacon or elder? (¶326)

Name	Clergy Status (PD or PE)	Date and Seminary
Aho, Mele	PE	2022
Bland, Carrie	PE	2022
Corliss, Kellen	PE	2022
Ishihara, Lisa	PE	2021
Lyle, Catherine	PE	2022
Madsen, Megan	PE	2022
Skinner-Creek, Ashley	PE	2022
Tabor, Gayle	PE	2022
Woods, Meghan	PE	2022

- b) Provisional deacons who became provisional elders? (v) **None**
 - c) Provisional elders who became provisional deacons? (v)(Indicate year) **None**
 - d) Provisional members who transferred from other conferences or denominations? (¶347.1) (v) **None**
26. What ordained clergy, coming from other Christian denominations, have had their orders recognized (¶347.3): List alphabetically-see note preceding Question 23:
- a) As provisional members (¶347.3c) (v) **None**
 - b) As local pastors (¶347.3c)(v): **None**
27. What ordained clergy have been received from other Christian denominations (¶348): **None**
28. Who are elected as members in full connection? (List alphabetically-see note preceding Question 27. **Anyone appearing on this question must also be listed somewhere in questions 33-34 or 36, unless the clergy's orders from another denomination were recognized on question 30 in a previous year.**) (3/4v):
- a) Deacons **None**

- b) Elders

Name
Agduyeng, Yvonne

Name
Crookes, Murray
Frisbie, Drew
Hall, April
Holmes, Laura
Ramsay, Danielle Estelle
Wooten, Dirk

29. Who are ordained as deacons and what seminary awarded their degree? Or, if their master’s degree is not from a seminary, at what seminary did they complete the basic graduate theological studies?: (List alphabetically–see note preceding Question 23)
- a) After provisional membership (§330)? (3/4v) **None**
 - b) Transfer from elder? (§309) (3/4v) **None**
30. Who are ordained as elders and what seminary awarded their degree?
- a) After provisional membership? (§335) (3/4v)

Name	Seminary
Agduyeng, Yvonne	Wesley Theological Seminary
Crookes, Murray	Saint Paul School of Theology
Frisbie, Drew	Drew Theological Seminary
Hall, April	Hood Theological
Holmes, Laura	Princeton Theological Seminary
Ramsay, Danielle	Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Wooten, Dirk	Methodist Theological School in Ohio

- b) Transfer from deacon? (§309) (3/4v) **None**
31. What provisional members, previously discontinued, are readmitted (§364)? (v) **None**
32. Who are readmitted (§365-367 [v], §368 [2/3v])

Name	Clergy Status	Previous Status
Connolley, Lisa	FE	FE

33. Who are returned to the effective relationship after voluntary retirement (§357.7): (v) **None**
34. Who have been received by transfer from other annual conferences of The United Methodist Church (§347.1, 416.5, 635.2n)? (List alphabetically. Indicate credential. See note preceding Question 27.):

Name	Clergy Status	Previous Conference	Date of Transfer
Boegli, Susan	FE	Oregon-Idaho	7/1/2023

35. Who are transferred in from other Methodist denominations (§347.2)? (List alphabetically. Indicate credential.) **None**
36. Who have been ordained as a courtesy to other conferences, after election by the other conference. See note preceding Question 23. Such courtesy elections or ordinations do not require transfer of conference membership.

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- a) Deacons? **None**
- b) Elders? **None**

37. Who have been transferred out to other annual conferences of The United Methodist Church (§416.5)? (List alphabetically. Indicate credential. See note preceding Question 23.) **None**
38. Who are discontinued as provisional members (§327)? (v).
- a) By expiration of eight-year time limit (§327) **None**
 - b) By voluntary discontinuance (§327.6) (v) **None**
 - c) By involuntary discontinuance (§327.6) (v) **None**
 - d) By reaching Mandatory Retirement Age (§327.7) **None**
39. Who are on location?
- a) Who has been granted honorable location (§358.1)?
 - (1) This year? (v) **None**
 - (2) Previously?

Name	Year Originally Granted	Charge Conference Membership	Year of Most Recent Report
Bertoglio, Michael	1989	Seattle: Bryn Mawr	Seattle: Bryn Mawr
Campbell, Kathleen	2001	Tacoma: Mason	Tacoma: Mason
Corsaro, Monica	2016	Seattle: Trinity	Seattle: Trinity
Dahlstrom, Laura	2010	Redmond	Redmond
Edwards, Arthur	2002		
Hanson, Rachon	2019	Vancouver: Orchards	Vancouver: Orchards
Karalfa, Linda	2008	Spokane: Covenant	Spokane: Covenant
Littlejohn, Marilyn	1985	Spokane: Covenant	Edmonds
Neal, Golden	2014	Edmonds	Rochester
Weber, Donald	2008	Rochester	Coeur D'Alene: Comm.
Williams, Mark E.	2010	Coeur D'Alene: Comm.	Seattle: First
Wood, Jean Marie	1999	Olympia: First	Renton: Fairwood
Yahng, Michael	2004	Seattle: First	Seattle: Blaine Memorial

- b) Who on honorable location are appointed ad interim as local pastors? (§358.2) (Indicate date and appointment.)
 - (1) This year? (v) **None**
 - (2) Previously? **None**
- c) Who has been placed on administrative location (§359)?
 - (1) This year? (v) **None**
 - (2) Ad Interim Administrative Location (v) **None**
 - (3) Previously? **None**

40. Who have been granted the status of honorable location-retired (§358.3):
- a) This year? (v)

Name	Clergy Status	Year Honorable Location Originally Granted	Charge Conference Membership
Wells, Leah	HL	2004	Olympia: First

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Name	Clergy Status	Year Honorable Location Originally Granted	Charge Conference Membership
Lancaster, Gail	HL	2009	Spokane: Covenant

b) Previously?

Name	Clergy Status	Year Honorable Location Originally Granted	Charge Conference Membership
Bose, Kenneth	RE	1982	Tacoma: First
Doughty, Richard P.	RE	1971	Eden, Indiana
Fulkerson, Ronald P.	RE	1994	Rockford
Hess, Robin	RE	1973	Vashon
Hussey, Dana	RE	1997	Seattle: Seaview
Kinch, Robert F.	RE	1979	Auburn: First
Knowles, Dewey	RE	1968	Vashon
Martin, Wayne S	RE	1982	Allen
McRae, Jacqueline L	RE	1987	Walla Walla: Pioneer
Moore, Michael	RE	1984	Orofino-Peck, ID
Peterson, John W.	RE	2002	Gig Harbor
Smith, Dennis	RE	2000	Edmonds
Stamey, Curtis	RE	1994	Coeur d'Alene

41. Who have had their status as honorably located and their orders terminated (§358.2)? (v) **None**

42. Who have had their conference membership terminated?

a) By withdrawal to unite with another denomination (§360.1, .4)? (v)

Name	Date Effective	Prior Clergy Status	New Reported Denomination
Hiestand, John	3/31/2023	FE	Free Methodist Church
Peck, William	6/30/2023	RE	Global Methodist Church
Weston, John	5/23/2023	FE	Global Methodist Church

b) By withdrawal from the ordained ministerial office (§360.2, .4)? (v)

Name	Date Effective	Prior Clergy Status
Shedlock, Katy	6/30/2023	FE

c) By withdrawal under complaints or charges (§§360.3, .4; 2719.2)? **None**

d) By termination of orders under recommendations of the Board of Ordained Ministry (§353.12)? (v) **None**

e) By trial (§2713)? **None**

43. Who have been suspended under the provisions of §362.1d, §2704.2c or §2711.3? (Give effective dates. Indicate credential.) **None**

44. Deceased (List alphabetically)

a) What associate members have died during the year?

Active: **None**
Retired: **None**

- b) What provisional members have died during the year? (Indicate credential.)
Active: **None**
Retired: **None**
- c) What elders have died during the year?
Active: **None**
Retired:

Name	Date of Birth	Date of Death
Brown, Mary Karen (Simmons)	3/17/1935	8/1/2022
Cooper, Earl Page	9/9/1938	8/30/2022
Hullin, David Gary	9/4/1941	7/26/2022
Larson, Donald D.		11/12/2022
Lawson, Norman Roger	6/6/1931	7/8/2022
Martin, John Wesley	3/13/1929	5/14/2023
Nicholson, Larry S.	9/10/1935	1/24/2023
Pratt, George Clifford	4/1/1932	8/2/2022
Rector, Robert	1/10/1944	1/21/2023
Sauer, Walter Kenneth	2/4/1926	6/28/2022
Smith, Bill Doyle	12/2/1938	3/4/2023
Walker, James (Jim) H.	8/31/1939	4/12/2023

- d) What deacons have died during the year?
Active: **None**
Retired: **None**
- e) What local pastors have died during the year?
Active: **None**
Retired:

Name	Date of Birth	Date of Death
Cottrell, (Norma) Kathy (Sloan)	1/16/1933	7/15/2022
Rowe, Janice Marie (Day)	9/23/1947	6/4/2022

45. What provisional or ordained members (elders and deacons) have received appointments in other Annual Conferences of The United Methodist Church while retaining their membership in this Annual Conference (§§331.8, 346.1)?

Name	Clergy Status	Conference Where Appointed	Appointment
Banks, Casey	FE	Oregon-Idaho	Newberg First UMC
Carr, Troy Lynn	FE	Oregon-Idaho	Gresham First UMC
Carroll, Emily	FE	Alaska	Anchorage: St. John
Coleman Campbell, Micah	FE	New York	Warnick UMC
Crookes, Murray	FE	Alaska	Anchorage: Every Nation and Anchorage: Anchor Park
Harrington, Phil	RE	Michigan	Glenn UMC
Hicks, Robert	FE	Minnesota	Wesley UMC, Winona

Name	Clergy Status	Conference Where Appointed	Appointment
Hicks, Tori	FE	Minnesota	Wesley UMC, Winona
Jones, Robert	FE	Alaska	Fairbanks First UMC
Reijns, Nico	FE	Alaska	Girdwood Chapel
Smith, Jenny	FE	Oregon-Idaho	Open Doors churches of Salem-Keizer
Stuart, Jen	FE	Oregon-Idaho	Bend First
Talbott, Lisa Marie	FE	Alaska	Homer
Wang, John	FE	California-Pacific	Placentia: Cornerstone
Wilcox, Daniel	FE	Alaska	Anchorage: Anchor Park
Woods, Meghan	PE	Alaska	Seward Memorial and Moose Pass UMC

46. Who are the provisional, ordained members or associate members on leave of absence and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation (§353)? (Indicate credential. Record Charge Conference where membership is held.)

- a) Voluntary?
(1) Personal, 5 years or less (§353.2a 3) (v)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Charge Conference
Byers, Rachel	FD	12/14/2019	Vancouver First
Fairhurst, Richenda	FE	2019	Vancouver First
Hartman, Lee Carney	FE	2022	Snoqualmie
Murphy, James	FE	11/4/2020	
Smith-Worden, Jana	FE	9/1/2019	Mason
Tabor, Gayle	PE	7/1/2023	

51. Who have been recognized as retired local pastors (§320.5):

- a) This year? **None**
b) Previously?

Name	Date Effective
Baker, Marcella	2019
Barrick, Kathy	
Blackstock, Larry	2017
Bramstedt, K	2018
Cooper, Michael	2007
DeMent, Peggy	2016
Downing, Roger	2016
Figueroa, Irma	2016
Figueroa-Rivera, Ralph	2010
Griggs, Susan	2019
Harvill, Gerri	2016
Herrick, Hermie	1975

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(2) Personal, more than 5 years (¶353.2a 3) (2/3v)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Charge Conference
Legner, Peter T.	FE	2008	Moscow: First

(3) Family, 5 years or less (¶353.2b 3) (v)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Charge Conference
Helmiere, John*	FE	2022	Seattle First UMC
Seman, Heather	FE	2022	Couer D'Alene

*Pending executive committee approval

- (4) Family, more than 5 years (¶353.2b 3) (2/3v) **None**
- (5) Transitional (¶353.2c)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Charge Conference
Bolger, Lara	FE	2/1/2022-6/30/2022	Bothell
Gorman, Matt	FE	2022	
Irby, Thomas*	FE	2022	
Scriven, Cara	FE	2023	
Wooten, Dirk	PE	2022	

b)Involuntary

1. Involuntary Leave (¶353) (2/3v)
2. Ad Interim Involuntary Leave (JCD 1355) (v)

47. Who are granted sabbatical leave (¶351)? (v)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Charge Conference
Bolger, Lara	FE	7/1/2022	Bothell
Schindler, Elizabeth	FE	7/1/2022	
Wolle, Angie	FE	7/1/2022	

48. Who have been granted medical leave due to medical or disabling conditions (¶356)? (v)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Charge Conference
Beeman, Brad	FE	9/1/2021	
Henre, Robert (PLOA 2019-2020)	FE	2020	
Kennedy, Marc	PE	9/1/2019	
Kymn, Gloria	FE	2018	
McCutcheon, Paula	FE	2019	Cedar Cross (?)

49. What members in full connection have been retired (¶357): (**List** alphabetically. If retiring in the interim between conference sessions (¶357.2d), indicate the effective date of retirement.) (**Under ¶357.1, no vote required; under ¶357.2, v; under ¶357.3, 2/3v**)

Deacons

a) This year? **None**

b) Previously?

Name	Date Effective
Cheshire, Lynn Marie	2014
Duncan, R. Scott, Jr.	2013
Leonard, Janet M.	2005
Martin, Joy	2016
McGuiness, Denise	2021
Nicholson, Laura M.	2010
Peterson, Carolyn	2015
Seaton, Suzanne K.	2012

Elders

c) This year?

Name	Date Effective
Baber, Steve	2023
Canlas, Querubin “Bing”	2023
Clarke, Jim	2023
Gorman, Matt	2023
Lang, Richard	2023
Tichenor, Karen Martin	2023

b) Previously

50. What associate members have been retired (¶357): (List alphabetically. If retiring in the interim between

Name	Date Effective
Abrams, George L.	2006
Adachi-Osawa, Nancy S.	1998
Agtarap, Alfredo	2013
Ahn, Jee Young	2015
Albright, Thomas H.	2011
Alden, Leon L.	2006
Anderson, Janette	2018
Aosved, Alvin E.	2007
Arnold, Lindsey E.	2004
Aumua, Chester Dunbar	2013
Baker, W. Stanley	1997
Barr, Roger W.	2015
Baisinger, Karen Love	2013
Beeman, Pat	2018
Beeman, Paul J.	1992
Berney, Ann	2019
Bigham, Elmer L.	1997
Biles, David W.	2002
Bowers, Flora J.	2008

Name	Date Effective
Boyd, Mary	2019
Branham, Edward L.	2014
Braun, David	2000
Brenchley, Marilyn M.	2006
Brewer, John A.	2014
Brown, Joanne	2021
Brown, Mary K.	2000
Brown, Sanford	2019
Burnett, Hazel Anne	1999
Cahall, John B.	2013
Carlson, A. Thomas	2008
Caskey, Steven A.	2007
Chae, John	2019
Chamberlain, Betty J.	2002
Cho, Kwan Yun	2015
Chung, Shin Kwan	2007
Cockrum, Dale L.	2016
Coghill, Richard G.	2007
Coleman Campbell, Joanne	2021

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Name	Date Effective
Coleman Campbell, John	2021
Cook, Richard J.	2008
Cooper, Earl P.	2008
Cotton, Bonnie (previously Chandler-Warren)	2015
Cram, Chuck	2019
Cramer, Donald G.	1989
Davies, Carol	2008
Davis, K. James	2006
Davison, Karen	2015
Degener, Dennis A	2013
Denton, Edd	2022
DePano, Stanley P.	2006
Dow, Kevin D.	2013
Duncan, Jeanne Harvey	2012
Duncan, Ruth Ida Gray	1996
Eberle, Thomas J.	2011
Edwards, David L.	2014
Ehara, Jun	1995
Ellington, William D.	1994
Ernst, David L.	1993
Essen, Barbara	2017
Everett, Kathryn B.	2008
Fear, Cheryl	2014
Felver, Paul A.	2002
Ferree-Clark, Nancy	2019
Finkbeiner, James C.	2001
Finkbeiner, Melvin M.	1984
Foster, L. Daniel	2018
Fredericksen, Karla	2021
Frey, Bonnie Dyer	2011
Garrison, C. Harry	1991
Geiger, Ruth Ann	2009
Gerhard, Daniel R.	2008
Gibson, Terrill L.	2011
Gillespie, David R.	2011
Goldson, Edsel D.	2016
Gordon, William E.	2011
Graef, Mike	2022
Graves, Paul R.	2001
Green, Floyd E., Jr.	2009

Name	Date Effective
Green, William	2020
Hackett, Keith	2013
Hall, Terry	2021
Hamilton, Sharon	2017
Hamshar, Edward	2019
Harrington, Phil	2021
Harrison, Charles Scott	2013
Hart, Vincent S., Jr.	1995
Harvey, Pharis J.	2001
Hayes, Anne	2018
Hemrich, Jerald R.	2012
Henderson, Randall G.	2013
Hierholzer, John D.	2005
Hindman, Charles T.	2011
Hines, Ronald L.	2013
Hü, Andrew T.	2008
Hubbard, Joe	2017
Hudson, Roger	2022
Huff, W. Scott	2007
Hullin, David G.	2007
Hunsberger, John	2018
Hutchins, Graham O.	1999
Huycke, Mare	2022
Hylkema, Davis	2017
Ingram, Beryl A.	2012
Ireland, Lindsay	2018
Iwabuchi, Hiroyasu	2008
Jackson, Gregory K.	2008
James, Kathryn R.	2016
Jeffrey, Paul	2019
Jennings, Amy Starr	2019
Jewell, Judy A.	2010
Johnson, Carol	2017
Johnson, David J.	2015
Johnson, Wilfred L.	1983
Jones, Howard D.	2011
Joo, Wansik	2000
Kennedy, Glenn C.	2010
Knight, Leslie Ann	2015
Koch, James Richard	2013
Kuhn, Paul	1999

Name	Date Effective
Lange, Donald D.	2002
Lawson, Norman R.	1994
Lewis, James D.	2008
Lindsay-Hudgins, Debra E.	2011
Lockwood, George F.	2012
Lookingbill, Mary	2017
Baisinger, Karen Love	2013
Lura, David G.	2010
Magnuson, Dennis L.	2011
Makus, Katherine D.	2013
Mariano, Carol	2017
Martin, John W.	1991
Martin, Thomas R.	1999
Mathis, Ruth	2005
Maxwell, John E.	2002
McDonald, Joy C.	2016
McLemore, Douglas R.	2010
McPherson, Richard L.	2008
Meyer-Odell, Patricia	2011
Ming Ma, Jin	2021
Miyake, Kenneth T.	1980
Moe, Sharon	2017
Moore, Benjamin	2019
Morrill, Justin I.	1989
Morse, Kathryn A.	2016
Murphree, Lowell F.	2004
Needles, Roberta (Claire)	1998
Neethling, Johann	2017
Nicholson, Larry S.	1998
Norman, Stanley J.	2016
Northrup, Ronald R.	1998
O'Connor-Magee, Joyce	2022
O'Donnell, Rand E.	2010
O'Neal, Mike B.	2016
Ocampo, J. Allan	2011
Ocheltree, Rick	1997
O'Connor, Kathleen	2016
Olson, Derel R.	2014
Olson, Jo Ann	2014
Oppelaar, Alan	2017
Orendorff, David E.	2014

Name	Date Effective
Ortmeyer, John A.	2014
Osborne, Pamela	2020
Overman, Richard H.	1993
Parker, Rebecca	1981
Parrish, Craig A.	2013
Paschke, Dennis	2021
Pea, Jack F.	2011
Peach, Ellen	2017
Peck, William H.	2006
Peter, Perry	2022
Pierce, Lyda	2019
Poole, Steven	2018
Pratt, George C.	1997
Price, Julia M.	2013
Price, William B.	1994
Purkey, Edward D.	2007
Randall, Mark E.	2013
Reeck, Darrell L.	2001
Reinholz, Julia	2021
Reinmuth, John W.	2006
Rice, Earl H.	2008
Rice, Stephen P.	2012
Rockhill, R. King	2004
Roller, Victoria A.	2007
Romeijn, Willem	2020
Rosas, Robert R.	2007
Rowe, Rodolph R.	2011
Russell, Tim	1977
Sailer, Dan	2020
Sauer, Walter K.	1984
Schneider, Wayne J.	2013
Schroeder, Stephen	2017
Schultz, Judith A.	2008
Scott, MarLu Primero	2010
Shaffer, John J.	2008
Sharrard, David W.	2002
Shreve, Michael W.	2005
Simpson, James N.	2012
Simpson, Patricia	2020
Smith, Alta S.	2005
Smith, Betty J.	2002

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Name	Date Effective
Smith, Bill D.	2001
Smith, Jerry F.	2008
Smith, Michael D.	2013
Smith, Montgomery L.	2010
Snook, Walter S.	2007
Snow, Sherman A.	1997
Sorenson, A. Donald	1997
Southwick, John H.	2015
Speicher, Larry L.	2003
Stanton, Wesley	2020
Starkey, Gary M.	2011
Steffen, Tom	2021
Suzuki, Yugo	2005
Taber, Gisela E.	2007
Tarr, Stephen Richard	2015
Tinney, David R.	2016
Todd, Homer C.	2004
Tucker, R. Thomas	2010
Tudor, Brenda	2019

Name	Date Effective
Van Beek, Rex N.	2013
Vergin, David E.	2011
Vinluan, Rolando I.	2005
Vinther, Richard	2021
Waite, Douglas J.	2014
Walker, James H.	1997
Walker, Paul L.	2010
Ward, Robert C.	1995
Watson, James	2017
Wendleton, David H.	2014
Westfall-Neuschwander, Denise	2017
White, J. Edsel	2008
Wolf, Milton D.	1997
Woodworth, Melvin R.	2014
Yamashita, Robert M.	1995
Yeoh, Keat B.	2011
Yount, Nancy K.	2013
Zaske, David A.	1999

conference sessions (§357.2d), indicate the effective date of retirement.) (Under §357.1, no vote required; under §357.2, v; under §357.3, 2/3v)

- a) This year? **None**
- b) Previously?

Name	Date Effective
Backlund, Dorothy Riegel	2002
Carlson, Kenneth W.	1996
Caviezel, Barbara	2018
Graham-Laraene, Sharon J.	2008
Kallshian, Marilyn	2016
Parish, Harold E.	1990
Rivera-Garcia, Eleazar	2020
Schellberg, Marta	2018
White, Calvin M.	2010
Wilkins, Joan E.	2004
Wilson, Roy I.	1991

Name	Date Effective
McGinnis, James	2017
McNett, Margaret	2004
Mize, Jane	2015
Puloka, Sia	2022
Ray, Peggy	2018
Riddle, Wendy	2018
Rowe, Janice	2019
Sheahan, Colleen	2021
Sleeth, Pat	2022
Tuirotuma, Jale	2020
Vao, Maka	2019
Walker, Kathryn L.	2002

52. What is the number of clergy members of the Annual Conference:
a) By appointment category and conference relationship?

NOTES:

- (1) *Where applicable, the question numbers on this report form corresponding to each category have been placed in parenthesis following the category title. Where these question numbers appear, the number reported in that category should agree with the number of names listed in the corresponding questions.*
- (2) *For the three categories of Appointments to Extension Ministries, report as follows:*
¶344.1a, c): *the number of clergy members appointed within United Methodist connectional structures, including district superintendents, or to an ecumenical agency.*
¶344.1b): *the number of clergy members appointed to extension ministries, under endorsement by the Division of Chaplains and Related Ministries of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.*
¶344.1d): *the number of clergy members appointed to other valid ministries, confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the Annual Conference.*

Note: Report those in extension ministry in one category only.
See the Discipline paragraphs indicated for more detailed description of these appointment categories.
Note: Those approved to serve as a local pastor, but not currently under appointment, are not counted as clergy members of the conference.

Categories	Deacons in Full Connection	Elders in Full Connection	Provisional Deacons	Provisional Elders	Associate Members & Affiliate Members With Vote	Full-time Local Pastors	Part-time Local Pastors
Pastors and deacons whose primary appointment is to a Local Church (¶331.1c, 339) (74)	2	82	0	5	0	15	10
Deacons (in full connection and provisional) serving Beyond the Local Church (¶331.1a, b) (72a,b)	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Appointments to Extension Ministries (¶316.1; 344.1a, c) (71a)	N/A	11	N/A	0	0	0	0
Appointments to Extension Ministries (¶316.1; 344.1b) (71b)	N/A	11	N/A	0	0	1	0
Appointments to Extension Ministries (¶316.1; 344.1d) (71c)	N/A	3	N/A	3	0	0	0

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Appointments to Attend School (§331.3) (79)	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Appointed to Other Annual Conferences (49)	0	14	0	1	0	N/A	N/A
On Leave of Absence (46a1, a2)	1	7	0	1	0	N/A	N/A
On Family Leave (46a3, a4)	0	5	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
On Sabbatical Leave (47)	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
On Medical Leave (48)	0	4	0	1	0	0	0
On Transitional Leave (46a5)	0	5	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Retired (49, 50, 51)	10	231	0	0	11	N/A	N/A
Total Number, Clergy Members	18	373	0	11	11	16	10
Grand Total, All Conference Clergy Members	440						

- b) By gender and racial/ethnic identification? (NOTE: See the instruction for item 57 for guidelines to assist in the racial/ethnic identification count.)

Clergy Demographics																					
Categories	Deacons in Full Connection			Elders in Full Connection			Provisional Deacons			Provisional Elders			Associate Members & Affiliate Members with Vote			Full-time Local Pastors			Part-time Local Pastors		
	M	F	O	M	F	O	M	F	O	M	F	O	M	F	O	M	F	O	M	F	O
Asian	1	1	0	29	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black	0	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	0
Native Am.	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
White	2	12	0	172	115	1	0	0	0	2	7	0	3	5	0	3	9	0	2	3	0
Multiracial	1	1*	0	27*	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1*	1*	0	0	1*	0	0	2*	0
Grand Total, All Active Conf. Clergy Members	4	14	0	238	134	1	0	0	0	2	9	0	5	6	0	5	11	0	4	6	0

*No ethnicity listed in Brick River

PART III CERTIFICATION IN SPECIALIZED MINISTRY

Note: Indicate credential of persons in Part III: FD, FE, PD, PE, AM, FL, PL, and LM.

53. Who are the candidates in process for certification in specialized ministry? **None**
54. Who is certified in specialized ministry? (List the areas of specialized ministry. Indicate by an asterisk those certified this year.)

Name	Clergy/Lay Status	Specialized Ministry
Joy Martin	RD	Spiritual Formation
Jim McGinnis	LP-R	Christian Education
Lynne Swedberg	Deaconess	Ministry with Persons with Disabilities

55. Who are transferred in as a certified person in specialized ministry? **None**

- 56. Who are transferred out as a certified person in specialized ministry? **None**
- 57. Who have been removed as a certified person in specialized ministry? **None**

PART IV CERTIFIED LAY MINISTRY
(¶(¶ 268, and 666.10 *The Book of Discipline*)

- 58. Who are certified as lay ministers (¶ 268, and 666.10)? (List alphabetically, by district)
 - a) Certified Lay Ministers (¶ 268, and 666.10) (List alphabetically, by district)

Name	District
Name	District
Ashley, Karen	Crest to Coast
Beeks-Kerstein, Debra	Crest to Coast
Boyd, Byron	Crest to Coast
Harmon, Al	Crest to Coast
Raymond, Cathy	Crest to Coast
Rush, Rudilyn	Crest to Coast
Sardinia, Laurie	Crest to Coast
Troxel, Laverne	Crest to Coast
Arnold, Sharon	Inland
Baird, David	Inland
Behrens, Randy	Inland
Dunlap, Helen	Inland
Kazda, Steve	Inland
Toews, Suzie	Inland
Townsend, John	Inland
McCaulley, Sandi	Puget Sound
Rosekrans, Scott	Puget Sound
Brown, Kelvin	SeaTac
Garnett, Kathryn	SeaTac
Broda, Kenneth	Seven Rivers
Curtis, Richard	Seven Rivers
Fitzsimmons, Billie	Seven Rivers
Robinson, Leigh Ann	Seven Rivers

- b) DS Assigned Lay Supply (SY - SUPPLIES/HIRED/ASSIGNED)

Name	District
Elliott, Elle	SeaTac
Encinas, Caleb	SeaTac
Lang-Raymond, Michelle	SeaTac
Mozley, Jim	SeaTac
Osagyefo, Sekou	SeaTac

Name	District
Soerens, Maria-Jose	SeaTac
Titiali'i, Aso	SeaTac
Schneider, John	Seven Rivers

PART V DIACONAL MINISTERS

(Paragraph numbers in questions 64-71 refer to The 1992 Book of Discipline)

59. Who are transferred in as diaconal ministers (§312)? **None**
60. Who are transferred out as diaconal ministers (§312)? **None**
61. Who have had their conference relationship as diaconal ministers terminated by Annual Conference action (§313.3)? (**Under §313.3a, no vote; under §313.3b, 2/3v**) **None**
62. What diaconal ministers have died during the year?
- a) Effective: **None**
- b) Retired: **None**
63. What diaconal ministers have been granted leaves of absence under §313.1a, c, d) (disability, study/ sabbatical, or personal leave): (**v**) **None**
64. What diaconal ministers have been granted an extended leave (§313.1e): **None**
65. Who have returned to active status from extended leave (§313.1e)? (**v**)? **None**
66. Who have taken the retired relationship to the Annual Conference as diaconal ministers (§313.2): (**Under §313.2b, 2/3v**)
- a) This year? **None**
- b) Previously?

Name	Date Effective
Bowers, Leon F.	1996
Eckhoff, Ruth L.	1993
Flagel, Joanne R.	2000
Kite, Dick	2004
Ostrander, Carolyn D.	2006
Schmitt, Geraldine M.	1996

PART VI APPOINTMENTS AND CONCLUDING BUSINESS

67. Who are approved for less than full-time service?
- a) What associate members and elders (full and provisional) are approved for appointment to less than full-time service, what is the total number of years for which such approval has been granted to each, and for what fraction of full-time of service (in one-quarter, one-half, or three-quarter increments) is approval granted (§§338.2, 342.2, 1506)? (**2/3v, after 8 years 3/4v**):

Name	Appointment	Fraction of Full-Time Service
Brown, W. Anthony	Port Townsend: Trinity	¾ (2012)
Conklin, Deb	Spokane: Liberty Park & St. Paul's	½ (2018)
Hewson, Darryn	Bryn Mawr	½ (2022)
Lawson, Mike	Lewiston: Orchards	¾ (2019)

Name	Appointment	Fraction of Full-Time Service
Roberts, Tara	Winlock	¼ (2019)
Weistaner, Linda M.	Dayton	¼ (2005)

- b) What deacons in full connection and provisional deacons are approved for appointment to less than full-time service (§331.7)?

Name	Appointment	Fraction of Full-Time Service
Barckley, Kay C.	University Temple, Minister of Worship Design	¼
Ellison-Oslin, Kristin	Fircrest Residential Center, Shoreline	¼
Joyner, Kristin	Bothell UMC	½

68. Who have been appointed as interim pastors under the provisions of §338.3 since the last session of the annual conference, and for what period of time? **None**
69. What elders, deacons (full connection and provisional), associate members, local and supply pastors are appointed to ministry to the local church and where are they appointed for the ensuing year?

The full list of appointments is available on the conference website (<https://www.pnwumc.org/conference-appointments/>). Also see appointments, Section D of Journal)

70. What changes have been made in appointments since the last annual conference session? (Attach list. Include and identify Appointments Beyond the Local Church (Deacons) and Appointments to Extension Ministries (Elders). Give effective dates of all changes.)
- MOSCOW: FIRST, ID....Derek McGuckin (FE) August 1, 2022
- PASCO: RIVERVIEW....Kathy Makus, interim (RE) August 1, 2022
- SEATTLE: GRACE....Dennis Payne II (OE) August 4, 2022
- METHOW VALLEY.....DSA: Leigh Ann Robinson (LM) August 1, 2022
- EDMONDS....Donna Pritchard (OR) September 1, 2022
- ARLINGTON (UNITED)....Ieisha Hawley (OF) Nov. 21, 2022
- VANCOUVER: SALMON CREEK UMC....Rev. Anna Cho (OF) April 1-June 30, 2023
- DEER PARK....DSA: David Baird (LM) March 1, 2023

71. What elders (full connection and provisional), associate members, and local pastors are appointed to extension ministries for the ensuing year? (Attach a list)
- a) Within the connectional structures of United Methodism (§344.1a, c)?

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Member Conference
Galang, Mark	FE	2018	District Superintendent, Puget Sound Missional	
Holmes, Laura	PE	2021	Prof. of New Testament, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington D.C.	Bothell
Miranda, Daniel	FE	2021	District Superintendent, Inland & Seven Rivers	
Miranda, Sheila	FE	2021	Associate for Connectional Ministries	
Nakano, Derek	FE	2019	District Superintendent, SeaTac Missional	

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Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Member Conference
Neary, Kathy	FE	2018	Transitional Ministry Developer, PNW	Vancouver: First UMC
Nieda, David	FE	2018	Assoc. Dir. Of Northwest United Methodist Foundation	
Phillips, Jennifer	FE	2017	Senior Technical Advisor, Environmental Sustainability at Global Ministries	Valley & Mountain
Santos, Cruz-Edwin	OE	2019	Director of hispanic/Latinx Ministries	
Valera, David	FE	2005	Exec. Dir. Of Connectional Ministries, PNW	Issaquah Faith
Weber, Kathleen	FE	2018	District Superintendent, Crest to Coast Missional	
Wright, David	FE	2006	University Chaplain, Univ. of Puget Sound	Mason

*Pending conversation with DCOM re:licensing as local pastor

b) To ministries endorsed by the Board of Higher Education and Ministry (¶344.1b)?

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Conference
Carter, James	FE	2014	Chaplain, Kaiser Permanente, San Diego	Wallingford
Clark, Genevieve	FE	2008	Primary Chaplain's Assistant, US Navy, USS George H. W. Bush, Chesapeake, VA	Lynden UMC
Degener, Dennis	RE	1996 before	Pastoral Counselor, White Pass Family Counseling Services, Randle	Randle
Gibson, Terrill	RE	1996 before	Assoc. Pastoral Therapy Assoc., Tacoma	Univ. Place
Henre, Abigail	FE	2018	Hospice Chaplain & Bereavement Counselor, St. Croix Hospice, Omaha, NE	Seward, NE
Holloway, Melinda	FE	2020	Manager of Clinical Pastoral Education, Providence-St. Peter's Hospital, Olympia	Olympia First
Hudson, Kevin	FE	2014	Chaplain, US Air Force, Arlington	Seattle First
Huycke, Mary	FE	2004	Courageous Space, Yakima, WA	Yakima: Wesley
Klepach, Scott	FL	2019	Chaplain, Virginia Mason Memorial, Yakima	Yakima: Wesley
Robinson, Dirk	FE	9/1/2021	Chaplain, US Navy, Virginia	Selah
Sealey, Gregg	FE	2021	Leadership/Executive/Life coach and Consultant	Spokane: Covenant
Smith, Michael	RE	2019	Chaplain: Providence Regional Medical Center, Everett, WA	Snohomish

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Conference
Van der Does, Pam	FE	2020	Counselor, Services Program Manager, Tacoma Rescue Mission	Auburn UMC
Wallace, Jeffrey	FE	2020	Resolution Counseling Spokane, LICSW, SUDP	Spokane: Covenant
Yackey, Kathleen	FE	2020	Mental Health Counselor: Renton Counseling Center & City University	Tibbetts
Yang, Thomas	FE	2022	Spiritual Counselor, Kaiser Permanente	Seattle 1st UMC

c) To other valid ministries under the provisions of ¶344.1d? (2/3v)

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Conference
Aho, Mele	PE	2023	Wesley Theological Seminary, Development Office, Alumni Relations & Outreach Coordinator	
Bagwell, Emily	FE	2022	Resource Manager, Reconciling Ministries Network, Georgia	Queen Anne
Irby, Thomas	FE	2023	Western State Hospital Religious Coordinator	Tacoma: First
Ishihara, Lisa	OF	2021	University Chaplain, Seattle Pacific University	Queen Anne
Skinner-Creek, Ashley	PE	2022	Associate Director, Seattle Pacific University	Covington: Cornerstone
Telfer, Thomas	FE	2018	Church of Scotland	Walla Walla

72. Who are appointed as deacons (full connection and provisional) for the ensuing year? (Attach a list.)

a) Through non-United Methodist agencies and settings beyond the local church (¶331.1a)?

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Conference
Davis, Sonya	FD	10/1/2021	Chaplain, Providence Elder Place	Vancouver Heights
Ellison-Oslin, Kristin	FD	2000	Chaplain, Fircrest Regional Habilitation Center, Shoreline	Shoreline UMC
Hartley, Benjamin	FD	2022	Assoc. Prof. of Mission and World Christianity, Seattle Pacific University	Bothel
Hearn, Mark	FD	2020	Dean of Academic Affairs and Assoc. Professor and Director of Contextual Education, Church Divinity School of the Pacific	Blaine Memorial
Martin, Joy	RD	2017	Chaplain, Eskaton Foundation, CA	Lacey: St. Andrew's
Park-Hearn, Jeney	FD	2018	Asst. professor of Practical Theology and Formation Portland Seminary	Blaine Memorial

Name	Clergy Status	Date Effective	Extension Ministry Assignment	Charge Conference
Stanton-Nurse, Mary	PD	2020	Couples and Family Therapist: Samaritan Center of Puget Sound	Seattle: Trinity

- b) Through United Methodist Church-related agencies, schools, within a local congregation, charge, or cooperative parish within the connectional structures of The United Methodist Church (§331.1b, c)?
None

73. Who are appointed to attend school (§416.6)? (List alphabetically all those whose prime appointment is to attend school.) **None**
74. Where are the diaconal ministers appointed for the ensuing year (§310) [1992 Discipline]? (Attach list)

Name	Appointment
Peter Jabin	Pastoral Psychotherapist, Worker Support Coord., Companis, Seattle, WA

75. What other personal notations should be made? (Include such matters as changes in pension credit (§1506.5), corrections or additions to matters reported in the “Business of the Annual Conference” form in previous years, and legal name changes of clergy members and diaconal ministers.)
- *Alissa Bertsch-Johnson* is now *Alissa Amestoy*
76. Where and when shall the next Conference Session be held (§603.2, 3)
- Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth* set the dates for the next annual conference session for June 13-16, 2024 in the Seven Rivers District, with *Daniel Miranda* hosting.

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This section contains the perfected versions of legislation approved by the 2023 Pacific Northwest Conference when it gathered for its annual session in June. Original versions of the legislation, and the rationale which accompanied them, can be found in the Pre-Conference Handbook (PCH). At the time of printing, the PCH was available to download at: <https://pnwumc.org/ac2023/downloads>.

CONFERENCE ADVANCE SPECIALS (PCH PETITION #1)

RESOLVED, the following agencies and projects which are initiated, developed and/or supported within the Pacific Northwest Conference be designated as Conference Advance Specials and be given support through the second-mile giving by churches of the PNW AC 2023-2024 Conference Advance Special Applications.

- 1. Atlantic Street Center #301
- 2. Tacoma Community Center #302
- 3. Alaska Conference Support #335
- 4. Central Washington Justice for our Neighbors #339
- 5. PNW Conference Camping & Retreat Ministries:
 - Camp Indianola #341
 - Twinlow Camp #343
 - Lazy F Camp #344
 - Ocean Park #345
- 6. PNW Disaster Relief/Early Response #352

MINIMUM COMPENSATION (PCH PETITION #2)

RESOLVED, that the minimum compensation schedule for full-time service set by the Annual Conference for the Calendar year 2024 will be \$49,012.

MOVING ALLOWANCE (PCH PETITION #3)

RESOLVED, the recommended moving allowance schedule for 2024 is:

- A. Intra-conference up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec. 2(a)).
- B. Retiring minister up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec. 2(b)).
- C. Surviving spouse up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec 2(b)).
- D. Minister on Disability Leave, up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec. 2(b)).
- E. Seminary students returning for local church appointment will be reimbursed on the basis of receipts for moving expenses, including meals and lodging en route, as approved by the District Superintendent with the following dollar limits, based on the one-way mileage from the seminary to the appointment (Rule XI, Sec. 2(c)):
 - Over 2,500 miles – up to \$4,400

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- 1,501 to 2,500 miles – up to \$4,000
 - 1,001 to 1,500 miles – up to \$3,600
 - 801 to 1,000 miles – up to \$2,900
 - 501 to 800 miles – up to \$2,200
 - 500 miles or less – up to \$1,700
- F. Candidates for ministry or ministerial members (including paragraph 337.1) transferring in shall be reimbursed up to the seminary students' limits (E) with the provision that the Cabinet may authorize expenditures of up to 150% of the seminary student limit (Rule XI, Sec. 2(c)).
- G. Inter-Conference moves from within the Greater Northwest Area to the Pacific Northwest Conference shall use the same rate as seminary students (E) or \$1600 if the mileage is less than 500.

PAST SERVICE PENSION RATE (PCH PETITION #4)

RESOLVED, that effective January 1, 2024, the Ministerial Pension Rate and the Local Pastors Pension Rate shall be \$862 and that Supplement One to the Clergy Retirement Security Program be so amended.

RETIREMENT ANNUITY RESPONSIBILITY (PCH PETITION #5)

RESOLVED, that the Pacific Northwest Conference accept the applicable annuity responsibility for the following persons retiring at the 2023 session of the Annual Conference as of 4/30/2023:

Name	Disc. ¶	Age	Appt. Years	Effective Date
Steve Baber	357.2(c)	70 and 5 months	26.75	7/1/2023
Querubin "Bing" Canlas	357.2(c)	71 and 3 months	12.0	7/1/2023
James Clarke	357.2(b)	65 and 10 months	34.5	1/1/2023
Matt Gorman	357.2(b)(d)	62 and 1 months	29.0	7/1/2023
Richard Lang	357.2(c)	66 and 10 months	34.0	7/1/2023
Karen Martin Tichenor	357.2(b)	63 and 2 months	39.0	7/1/2023

DISABILITY BENEFITS (PCH PETITION #7)

RESOLVED, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference recommends that the Wespath Benefits and Investments provide Comprehensive Protection Plan Disability Benefits for the Conference year 2023-2024 only if approved for CPP disability benefits by Wespath for *Bradley Beeman, Robert Henre, Marc Kennedy, Gloria Kymn and Paula McCutcheon*.

RETIREMENT GRANTS (PCH PETITION #6)

RESOLVED, that the following persons receive grants in lieu of pension from the Pacific Northwest Conference:

PERSONS RECEIVING GRANTS IN
THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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2022 – 2023 Pension Grant Schedule

Name (age by end of year)	Service in Conference	Year Eligible	Applicable Pension Rate	Grant \$	Payment Period
Wanda L. Butler (surviving spouse of Ralph Butler 70%) (98)	25.0	1983	188	3,290.04	7/1/23-6/30/24
Marilyn Calkins (surviving spouse of Robert Calkins 70%) (87)	12.0	1991	265.93	1,304.30	7/1/23-6/30/24
James E. Fox (84)	5.0	2004	487.00	608.76	7/1/23-6/30/24
Richard L. Gossett (79)	7.0	2009	578.58	1,417.56	7/1/23-6/30/24
Marisol Harper (surviving spouse of Craig Harper 70%) (90)	6.75	1993	287.63	458.76	7/1/23-6/30/24
Donald L. Jeter (90)	11.5	1998	349.95	2,314.08	7/1/23-6/30/24
Dewey Knowles (93)	6.5	1996	323.55	683.52	7/1/23-6/30/24
John C. Shirk (91)	5.0	1998	349.95	437.40	7/1/23-6/30/24
				\$ 10,550.42	

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PE ELL UMC CLOSURE (PCH PETITION #8)

RESOLVED, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the 2016 Book of Discipline, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the bishop, a majority of the superintendents, and the Crest to Coast Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference declares the Pe Ell United Methodist Church in Pe Ell, Washington, closed effective June 30, 2023, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶1229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the district superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

EAST WENATCHEE: TRINITY UMC (PCH PETITION #9)

RESOLVED, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the 2016 Book of Discipline, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the bishop, a majority of the superintendents, and the Seven Rivers Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific North-

west Annual Conference declares the Trinity United Methodist Church in East Wenatchee, Washington, closed effective October 31, 2022, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the district superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

CONFERENCE BUDGET (PCH PETITION #10)
Council on Finance and Administration
RECOMMENDATIONS

1. BUDGETS

The Council received requests for the 2023 budget as follows:

- A. Pension and Benefit Fund
- B. Ministerial Support and Administration
- C. World Services and Conference Benevolences
- D. Ministerial Education and Black College Fund
- E. Africa University Fund

The Council on Finance and Administration and representatives from the Conference Connectional Table met this spring to review the budget requests submitted by annual conference agencies and others. The following pages are the budget recommendations for 2024.

For 2024, the Conference Budget summary of changes follows.

- 1. The decrease since 2023 is a \$116,164 reduction
- 2. This is a 3.94% decrease.
- 3. The Conference Board of Pensions continues to request no support from the Conference budget

2022-2024 BUDGET SUMMARY					
	2022 Final Budget	2023 Recommend	% change from 2022	2024 Recommend	% change from 2023
Pension & Benefit	0	-	0.0%	-	
District Fund	140,000	140,000	0.0%	155,000	10.71%
GNW Vitality Team	350,000	345,000	-1.4%	310,000	-10.14%
MS & A	1,720,206	1,735,970	0.9%	1,624,643	-6.41%
WS & CB	1,272,664	1,369,896	7.6%	1,337,032	-2.40%
GC Shared Minisrty	1,006,047	1,000,685	-0.53%	983,945	-1.67%
	4,488,917	4,591,551	2.29%	4,410,620	-3.94%

A. PENSION AND BENEFIT FUND

	2022	2023	2024 CF&A	% +/- over
	Actual	Budget	& CT Recom'd	2023
1 Pension and Benefits	-	-	-	
Conference Board of Pensions 2023 budget includes health subsidy for retired pastors, spouses and surviving spouses, health subsidy for pastors on medical leave, pension grants to former pastors/surviving pastors not vested in the pension plan, health support to eligible full-time clergy and churches, board of pension meeting expenses, salary/benefits for the Conference Benefits Officer, 1/4 time support for conference treasurer's office staff (2) and contract to provide financial planning for clergy.				
Total Pension & Benefit Fund	-	-	-	

B. MINISTERIAL SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION

2 Episcopal Fund	194,068	188,706	188,706	0.00%
A percentage of the total cash salaries paid to the pastors and associate pastors, as reported in the Conference Journal.				
3 General Administration Fund	59,519	55,890	55,890	0.00%
Apportionment received from the General Church				
4 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	2,092	2,092	2,092	0.00%
Apportionment received from the General Church				
5 Jurisdictional Administration Fund	30,000	30,000	30,000	0.00%
An apportionment for the cost of the WJ Conference and programming.				

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2023 PNWAC

	2022	2023	2024 CF&A	% +/- over
	Actual	Budget	& CT Recom'd	2023
6 District Superintendents' Fund	651,072	570,000	590,000	3.51%
Direct Compensation				
Cash Salary	421,200	430,000	435,000	
Utilities Allowance	36,231	38,327	38,327	
Housing Allowance*	111,892	120,000	125,000	
Other Expenses:				
Professional Expenses - ARP	60,655	75,000	75,000	
Benefits	102,724	113,000	115,000	
Housing Maint., Allowance, and	12,650	15,000	14,000	
Property Taxes	9,715	10,000	10,000	
Continuing Education	4,732	5,000	5,000	
Misc. (Moving, Worker's Comp.,	1,412	5,000	5,000	
New DS Expenses)	1,753	1,000	1,000	
Total Expenses	651,072	692,327	698,327	

After two years of frozen salary we propose an increase of 5.0%. We will look to focus this increase in the housing allowance and exclusion which have falle behind inflation.

*Housing allowance total not in budget request as funding comes from rental income and investment earnings DS parsonage sales.

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	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
7 Leader Development with Districts	-	100	<u>50</u>	-50.00%
Provides funds for leader development designed for a district. These funds are administered by the Cabinet.				
8 Recruitment of Clergy	10,148	2,000	<u>5,000</u>	150.00%
Provides DS travel for recruitment, interpretive materials for recruiting, candidates to our conference prior to an appointment, and recruitment within the conference.				
9 Equitable Compensation	29,723	50,000	<u>35,000</u>	-30.00%
Assures each minister appointed full time, a minimum compensation as set by the Annual conference. This includes CRSP (Clergy Retirement Security Program) CPP (Comprehensive Protection Plan) costs.				
10 Mission Aid - Salary	62,6841	120,000	<u>100,000</u>	-16.67%
Salary support for mission churches. Includes the applicable CRSP (Pension) and CPP (Disability/Death) cost. The funds are targeted for strategic missional churches and strategic redevelopment congregations.				

J-8 ACTIONS

2023 PNWAC

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2022
11 Area Expense	66,052	45,000	35,000	-12.50%
This fund is administered by the area bishop to carry out the work of the church. Includes both office and program expenses.				
12 Moving Expense Assistance	41,203	40,000	50,000	25.00%
Provides moving expense assistance to local churches for pastoral moves up to \$1,600 for each intra-conference move; from \$1,700 to \$2,640, depending on mileage, for seminary students returning for an appointment to local churches or ministerial members (including Para. 347.1) transferring in according to the schedule approved by the Conference, and up to \$1,600 for retiring pastors per Conference Rule XI, Section 2.				
13 Journal Expenses	2,449	500	1,200	140.00%
For printing and mailing copies of the Conference Journal, Pre-Conference Handbook and the expenses of the Statistician and Secretary. Journal and Handbook preparation work is done by the Conference office. Our goal each year is to use more CD's and the website to distribute the materials.				
14 Council on Finance and Administration	0	500	250	-50.00%
For meeting expenses.				

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	2022	2023	2024 CF&A	% +/- over
	Actual	Budget	& CT Recom'd	2023
15 Conference Treasurer's Office	380,000	421,400	435,000	3.23%
Salary - Treasurer**	\$106,590	110,000	115,000	4.55%
Travel Expenses	3,978	6,000	8,000	33.33%
Salaries - Staff***	172,723	180,000	180,000	0.00%
Staff Travel	-	-		
Staffing Costs, Benefits	63,343	80,500	83,700	3.98%
Office Expenses	14,199	15,400	15,200	-1.30%
Equipment - Reserves #	-	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Equip. Repair & Maint.	9,141	4,000	4,000	0.00%
Insurance/Bonding	2,202	1,000	2,000	100.00%
Information Technology	4,942	3,000	4,500	50.00%
Auditing Fee	25,898	26,000	26,000	0.00%
Computer Replacement #	-	-	-	
Total Budget Expenses	403,016	427,900	440,400	2.92%
To (from) reserves	(23,016)	(6,500)	(5,400)	
MS & A Budget Amount	380,000	421,400	435,000	

**Compensation set by CFA — Increase of 4.5% for inflation.

*** Support Staff Salary increase 5.0%

#Computer Replacement is to provide for necessary equipment upgrades and replacement on a continuing basis. Equipment reserve is intended to provide funds for major office equipment replacement.

Balance on 12/31/21 \$27,632

##Modified direct bill pension reserve 12/31/22 \$10,950

J-10 ACTIONS

2023 PNWAC

		2022	2023	2024 CF&A	% +/- over
		Actual	Budget	& CT Recom'd	2023
15a District Service Center Office		169,987	140,000	155,000	10.71%
	Salaries - Staff***	94,902	100,500	100,500	0.00%
	Staff Travel	751	500	1,000	100.00%
	Staffing Costs (benefits etc)	31,133	30,200	33,000	9.27%
	Office Expenses	29,079	43,150	44,000	1.97%
	Equipment - Reserves #	0			
	Equip. Repair & Maint.	4,785	2,300	2,500	8.70%
	Computer Replacement #	0			
	Program Funds	9,337	30,000	30,000	0.00%
	Contingency/ Reserve		-	-	
	Total Budget Expenses	169,987	206,650	211,000	2.11%
	To (From) Reserves	(29,987)	(66,650)	(56,000)	
	MS & A Budget Amount	140,000	140,000	155,000	10.71%
15b Greater NW Vitality Team		288,401	345,000	310,000	-10.14%
Direct Compensation					
	Cash Salary	328,893	435,000	332,700	
Other Expenses:					
	Benefits	133,083	125,000	115,700	
	Professional Expenses - ARP	53,833	60,000	65,000	
	Other Program Related Costs	8,556	-	50,000	
	Total Expenses	524,365	620,000	563,400	
Conference Allocation 2022 thru 2024					
	PNW 55%	288,401	342,550	310,000	
	OR-ID 40%	209,746	248,000	225,454	
	AK 5%	26,218	29,450	28,182	
		524,365	620,000	563,636	

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
16 Conference Session	28,842	80,000	<u>75,000</u>	-6.25
For expenses of the Annual Conference Ses- sion. The AC registration fee has helped keep this line item from a negative balance.				
17 Annual Conference Session Travel	-	2,500	<u>2,500</u>	0.00%
To help defray travel expenses of lay & ministe- rial members at Annual Conference, including Extension Ministry Clergy. This fund will pay mileage at \$.14 per mile with an additional \$.02 per mile per additional voting member pas- senger for actual miles traveled as reported. Only requests that total \$20 or more for the 2022 conference and into the future will be processed.				
18 Board of Ordained Ministry	80,617	22,000	<u>22,000</u>	0.00%
For meetings, testing, and other administrative expenses, as well as counseling and career assessment.				
19 United Methodist Foundation of the NW	-	-	<u>-</u>	
The Foundation suspended budget requests for 2018-2022 operating budget. The Foun- dation operates with funds that come from gifts, endowment income, investing/handling fees and contracted services for the Board of Congregational Development.				
20 Conference Board of Trustees	47,139	15,000	<u>15,000</u>	0.00%
For meeting expenses, general and property legal fees, and directors and officers insurance for trustees and district superintendents and utilities at the conference center.				

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2023 PNWAC

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
21 Cabinet Special Needs Fund	-	20,000	10,000	-50.00%
Includes the traditional Cabinet Emergency Fund which provides funds for Cabinet discretionary use. Also includes funding for legal fees incurred for clergy-related personnel matters and for processing complaints. Administered by Cabinet.				
22 Episcopal Residence	36,284	6,000	8,000	33.33%
Our Conference share of providing housing for our Bishop as required by the <i>2016 Book of Discipline</i> . The Episcopal Fund will provide \$6,000 in 2021.				
23 Camp Support	83,866	90,000	75,000	-16.67%
To pay fire and liability insurance premiums for the four Conference-related camp sites.				
24 Ministerial Support Fund	-	255,970	165,643	-35.29%
To provide for the deficit created by churches unable or unwilling to fully pay their apportionments. Plan for payment at 93.0% in 2024				
Total Ministerial Support and Administration	2,287,162	2,501,287	2,366,331	-5.40%

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C. WORLD SERVICE & CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
WORLD SERVICE				
1 World Service	483,312	483,312	<u>470,679</u>	-2.61%
Apportionment received from General Conference to support the mission and ministry of the General Church.				
CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES				
3 New Congregational Development	138,249	200,000	<u>65,000</u>	-67.50%
To provide funds for new church starts and redevelopment situations. Funds may be used for pastoral support, start-up expenses, and/or capital development.				
4 Hispanic Ministry Development	3,782	27,000	<u>24,300</u>	-10.00%
To provide funds for Ministry within the Hispanic population of the Conference.				

J-14 ACTIONS

2023 PNWAC

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
5 Global Mission	27,982	32,600	29,000	-11.04%
To provide for mission education and cultivation, funds for Health and Welfare, Hunger Concerns, Immigration, Disaster Preparedness, Mission u, VIM scholarships and mission saturation events. The budget reflects the incorporation of PNW mission advances into this item for Board funding decisions.				
6 Ethnic Ministries	16,058	57,600	52,600	-8.68
To provide support for Parish Associates, ethnic fellowships, ethnic extension ministries of local churches, ethnic leadership development and training, and multi-cultural education.				
7 Ministry in Higher Education	78,119	90,000	80,933	-10.07
Support for our program of ministry to college age students through local churches, Wesley Foundations and other campus ministries. Allocated and administered by the Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry.				
8 Faith Action Network	15,300	15,300	13,770	-10.00%
United Methodist support for a major ecumenical agency within the Conference. The FAN provides the arena for religious bodies to join together providing a voice for social and justice issues and provides a presence in the processes of the state legislative bodies.				

ACTIONS

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
9 Office of Connectional Ministries	846,397	673,000	<u>850,000</u>	26.30%
For salaries, expenses and office operations. Includes meeting expenses for most of the conference boards and commissions as well as support staff for boards and agencies. Provides staff for congregational development, equipping of laity and clergy for leadership, camping ministry, youth ministries, communications and Media Center.				
* Fund for Families and Technology grants ran through the OCM budget in 2021.				
11 OCM Scholarships	16,500	17,000	<u>17,000</u>	0.00%
For scholarships for higher education.				
12 Healing Care Fund	-	-	<u>-</u>	
To provide funding for limited financial assistance to persons seeking healing from alleged clergy sexual abuse.				
13 Conference Benevolence Support Fund	-	257,396	<u>204,429</u>	-20.58%
To provide for the deficit created by churches unable or unwilling to fully pay their apportionments. Anticipate payment at 89.0% in 2023.				
TOTAL - Conference Benevolences	1,142,387	1,369,896	<u>1,337,032</u>	-2.40%

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION AND BLACK COLLEGE FUND

	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 CF&A & CT Recom'd	% +/- over 2023
1 Ministerial Education Fund	186,006	151,374	158,973	5.02%
An apportionment from the General Church for supporting our seminaries, seminary students, and continuing education of our clergy - 25% of the amount received is retained by this Annual Conference for seminary student scholarships, continuing education programs and scholarship assistance for clergy, and diaconal ministers.				
2 Black College Fund	69,955	69,655	63,413	-9.35%
An apportionment from the General Church to support our 11 United Methodist Black Colleges. Funds will be used for current operations and capital improvements.				
TOTAL - Ministerial Education & Black College Fund	255,961	221,329	222,386	.48%

AFRICA UNIVERSITY FUND

1 Africa University Fund	15,727	15,727	14,192	0.00%
An apportionment from the General Church provides funding over the quadrennium to continue the development of the United Methodist related university in Africa.				
TOTAL - Africa Univerty Fund	15,727	15,727	14,192	-9.76
TOTAL - World Service	755,000	720,368	707,257	-1.82%
GRAND TOTAL - World Service & Conference Benevolences	1,625,699	2,090,264	2,044,289	-2.20%

AMEND CONFERENCE RULES (PCH PETITION #11)

RESOLVE, to amend Conference Rule II Membership, Section 3. Lay, subsection (a), by adding the title " Home Missioner," and the words "commissioned missionaries" after the word "deaconesses."

**ENCOURAGING DIVESTMENT FOR LOCAL CHURCHES
AND NORTHWEST FUNDS (PCH PETITION #12a)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church directs the Conference Treasurer's Office to send a formal letter by August 1, 2023 to Faith Foundation Northwest requesting that the Foundation divest its own funds and all funds held in trust from fossil fuels.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Conference Treasurer's Office will send a formal letter to the Local Churches of the Pacific Northwest Conference inviting an internal review of local church investments, with attention to returns and fossil-free investment opportunities such as those already available at the Faith Foundation Northwest, to invite local churches to consider divesting all funds, including long-term assets and rainy-day funds, from fossil fuels.

**ENCOURAGE JUST PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL AND STATE
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS FOR
ENVIRONMENTALLY JUST OUTCOMES (PCH PETITION #13)**

BE IT RESOLVED that by end of 2023 the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church shall and local churches are invited to expand the faithful work of stewardship in this time of crisis by building relationships outside our local churches to hear new stories of people impacted by degradation of the planet and its resources, to learn new practices of environmental justice, to better understand the expertise developed by those with lived experience of environmental harms. Seeking guidance on how to develop these just partnerships may also strengthen connections with United Methodist Church entities, ecumenical and interfaith coalitions, as well as global partners.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church shall and local churches are invited to prioritize local and state partnerships with environmental and climate justice organizations led by Black, Indigenous, People of Color, Women, and Youth as well as those serving low-income populations. We will come together in humility to learn and grow together, building on principles of justice and solidarity for the good of all. In support of this, conference leadership is called to incentivize education and participation from United Methodist Church members and local churches in order that congregations can be more immersed in local and regional initiatives.

The final paragraph of the PCH Petition #13 was referred to the PNW Conference Connectional Table for further consideration and a report to the 2024 Annual Conference Session. It is included below for reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to facilitate the development of discipleship and resourcing in the Pacific Northwest Conference of The United Methodist Church, and to support those already engaged in green team and sustainable actions, discipleship, and activity, and encourage further development of ‘green’ teams and programs, the Pacific Northwest Conference of The United Methodist Church shall hire a full time Creation Justice Liaison to further the work of creation justice in the conference. The role of the Creation Justice Liaison would be to affirm and support existing local church efforts, equip all local churches for creation justice work, support the development and growth of local leadership, and support communication and relationships for just partnership engagement. A job description shall be developed through the Office of Connectional Ministries and Church Revitalization, who will conduct a listening session in each district by October 1, 2023 to include district youth, lay leaders, pastors, and church members, with a job description published to Annual Conference news and information outlets by November 1, 2023.

A CALL TO GENERAL CONFERENCE TO ADD FOSSIL FUELS TO UNITED METHODIST INVESTMENT SCREENS (PCH PETITION #14)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church calls for “fossil fuels” to be added to the investment screens in Paragraph 717 of The United Methodist Book of Discipline as follows:

Paragraph 717. Sustainable and Socially Responsible Investments—In the investment of money, it shall be the policy of The United Methodist Church that all general boards and agencies, including the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits, and all administration agencies and institutions, including hospitals, homes, educational institutions, annual conferences, foundations, and local churches, make a conscious effort to invest in institutions, companies, corporations, or funds with policies and practices that are socially responsible, consistent with the goals outlined in the Social Principles. All United Methodist institutions shall endeavor to seek investments in institutions, companies and corporations, or funds that promote racial and gender justice, protect human rights, prevent the use of sweatshop or forced labor, avoid human suffering, and preserve the natural world, including mitigating the effects of climate change. In addition, United Methodist institutions shall endeavor to avoid investments in companies engaged in core business activities that are not aligned with the Social principles through their direct or indirect involvement with the production of anti-personnel weapons and armaments (both nuclear and conventional weapons), fossil fuels, alcoholic beverages or tobacco; or that are involved in privately operated correctional facilities, gambling, pornography or other forms of exploitive adult entertainment. The boards and agencies are to give careful consideration to environmental, social, and governance factors when making investment decisions and actively exercise their responsibility as owners of the companies in which they invest. This includes engaging with

companies to create positive change and hold them accountable for their actions, while also considering exclusion if companies fail to act responsibly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Conference Secretary will forward this resolution as a petition calling the 2024 General Conference to include “fossil fuels” in the list of investment screens in Paragraph 717.

NET-ZERO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS (PCH PETITION #15)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church pledges to achieve net-zero emissions by 2040 across ministries, facilities, operations, and investments to leverage the gifts of our connection, putting equity and justice at the center as we build a net-zero emission economy by 2040, and to encourage local churches to pledge to increase the energy efficiency of their church buildings and parsonages by 50% by 2030.

PROPOSED STUDY TO EXAMINE THE PNWAC’S PRACTICE REGARDING SEPARATION PAY FOR CLERGY ORDAINED IN ANOTHER DENOMINATION (PCH PETITION #16)

RESOLVED, that a study group is formed to examine the PNWAC practice of not providing separation pay to clergy ordained in another denomination (OAD) when, due to a shortage of appointments, a comparable appointment within our annual conference is not available. This study will involve the following elements:

- 1. At a minimum, at least one representative from each of the following PNWAC boards or agencies will serve on this study group: Council on Finance and Administration, Board of Pensions, and Board of Ordained Ministry.
- 2. The study will examine when it is a justifiable expense to provide separation pay to clergy OAD when a comparable appointment is not available.
- 3. If the study group recommends the implementation of separation pay to clergy OAD, it will also recommend a formula for calculating the payment amount.
- 4. The group’s findings or recommendations will be reported to the 2024 PNW Annual Conference.

SOLIDARITY WITH THE FILIPINO PEOPLE (PCH PETITION #17)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Pacific Northwest Conference of the United Methodist Church affirms that every life is sacred. And in that spirit joins the call to support the Philippines Human Rights Act and urges our congressional leaders in Washington State and Idaho to support it.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we pledge to continue efforts to educate our members on the existing conditions of the Filipino people, monitor the ongoing human rights crisis and its impacts as much as possible with our Methodist siblings, and advocate for a just and lasting peace as requested by the Filipino people themselves, including communication with elected officials listed below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth will share a copy of this resolution with all three active Bishops in the Philippine Central Conference and the Philippine Central Conference General Board of Church and Society.

K. Reports of District Superintendents

Crest to Coast Missional District

As I reflect on the 2022-2023 appointment year, I can distill the state of the Crest to Coast Missional District into three themes: Longing, Excitement, and Getting to Work.

Longing

Throughout the fall, as I listened to laity across the district, I continually heard the soul’s desire for connection. This deep longing is connected to the grief and isolation that we experienced in the pandemic and the communal weariness of so much change. Even with the slow return to in-person worship and other targeted in-person events, laity and clergy yearned to talk, laugh, visit, and play without restraint. Over and over again, I found myself suggesting low stakes, high participation gatherings focused on congregation connection. These alone will not heal what has been lost or hurt during the pandemic, but it is a start.

The longing in the local church extended to the greater connection. Once again, we met for Annual Conference over zoom. While we are forever grateful for GNTV and the opportunities that virtual conferencing gives, laity and clergy had hoped to gather in person to attend to our regular business. And while the GNW area celebration of Bishop Elaine Stanovsky went well, it was difficult to not have one last in-person opportunity to say thank you. In the midst of the longing, excitement began to emerge in the district. What longing did you experience this past year and what longing do you hear in your community?



Excitement

As in-person ministry began to ramp back up this year, churches sought to find a new normal exploring ministry they wanted to resume and new ministry they wanted to start. The exploration brought much needed energy and excitement. By the spring, most churches had returned to a social time after worship, regular fundraisers, and even to beloved potlucks. The South Sound Co-operative had their first youth lock-in with more kids than expected. In the late fall, our district co-lay leaders Lyn Rush and Kelly Andrews, gathered local church lay leaders for a monthly opportunity to connect and hear what other churches are doing. Each month two or three lay leaders share an important ministry or creative change they began during the pandemic. It brought energy and excitement to laity who’ve want to know how others in the district are doing. Clergy gathered in-person in Wenatchee for the Gathering of the Orders and Fellowship which started re-connection amongst colleagues and welcoming not-so-new clergy.

Again, in the greater connection, excitement has swirled as churches get to know our new Bishop, Rev. Cedrick Bridgeforth, whether through zoom gatherings, the Ask Bishop

Cedrick video series, or special events. Our first in-person Annual Conference since the pandemic started will give everyone the opportunity to rekindle friendships and to get to know Bishop Bridgeforth better. What excites you about ministry opportunities in your community?

Getting to Work

As excitement slowly rose in churches throughout the year, laity and clergy together started getting to work in the ministry God entrusted to them. Collaborative configurations of churches have emerged in the Three Rivers Circuit (Castle Rock, Kelso, and Longview) and the Twin Harbors Sub-District (Elma, Satsop, Montesano, Central Park, Aberdeen, Hoquiam, Oakville, Ocean Shores, and Willapa). Hybrid ministry is here to stay! The district participated in a GNW wide multi-district Reconciling Ministries Event that was simulcasted in 3 churches and held on zoom. Our Lay Led Congregations' "Teams of Three" met virtually multiple times to connect, conduct business, and to talk about what's on the horizon.

Many churches deepened their connection with the community. Spanaway UMC deepened their connection with their neighbor's experiencing homelessness by offering Safe Parking and cooperating with the city to start the county's Family Promise program. Randle UMC took on the challenge of finding a way to build relationships with people who used the food bank hosted in their building. They now provide healthy snacks, build community connections, and respond to other needs in their community. Shelton UMC started a monthly conversation about who God is calling them to partner with in their community which led leaders to meet with leaders and stakeholders in Shelton. This is just a taste of the work that laity and clergy doing as they seek to be the hands and feet of Jesus in their communities. Praise God for the movement of the Spirit and the work of the people! What work are you most passionate about right now?

Transitional Blessings

Finally, we ask for special transitional blessings for Crest to Coast churches and clergy. Ocean Park United Methodist Church will move into lay-led status, and Foothills United Methodist Church will come to faithful completion. We honor *Peter Perry* as he retires, the Sheers as they completed their leadership of Ocean Park Camp and Retreat Center, and Carrie Bland as she anticipates being commissioned. Like every year, some clergy will be leaving our district to serve in other districts, and we will welcome new clergy into our district. May God surround all these pastors and churches in this time of transition.

Beloved servants in the Crest to Coast District, it continues to be an honor to serve alongside you as we seek to work for the common good. May the Risen Christ boldly lead us forward into a new year full of opportunities to deepen our love of God and more fully express our love for our neighbor through equity, justice, and peace.

Respectfully submitted,

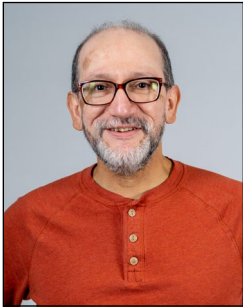
Rev. Kathleen Weber, Crest to Coast District Superintendent

Inland and Seven Rivers Missional Districts

The work we do together

It has been a joy to do the difficult work of being District Superintendent of two districts because of the teamwork that has been developed in our districts. Our nine Cohort Pastors do a great ministry interacting with their cohort churches and clergy. Cohort Pastors also interact with Sheila, the Connectional Minister for our districts, and with me on a regular basis formally at a monthly meeting and informally as issues arise in our various Cohorts. Our District Lay Leaders, Billie Fitzsimmons, and John Townsend are also part of this team as are several local church Lay Leaders from each cohort. This amazing team engages, supports, and leads to carry out the missional work of our districts. And, of course, we all are grateful for Laura, who manages our district office.

I mention all these people because the reality of most good work is that it is done with others. It has been a pleasure to work with such generous and gifted colleagues and friends.



We are working at being connectional

The truth is that the work has been difficult, especially the last few years with the limitations placed on us due to Covid. Now, life feels more normal and unrestricted, and yet the work has been complicated by the number of disaffiliations that needed tending. While on paper the disaffiliation work seemed simple and clear, the reality was that it was incredibly time-consuming work that made the regular Charge Conferences seem untenable at times. Amid that work, it was Cohort Pastors who helped conduct some of the Charge Conferences and lighten my load.

So much of our work here has been about figuring out how to live into our connectionalism. The limitations of Covid separated us from each other, both within our churches and from our sister churches, and now we are taking the opportunity to live better into our connection. We are talking more to each other and finding ways to gather, celebrate and share our gifts and graces. At a recent gathering, two clergy talked about shared resources, pulpits exchanges and cooperative worship for the season of Lent. They described it as, “practicing our connectionalism”.

We are tired

It may be rationalized that this good work that is taking place means all is well. In reality, many in the pulpit and in the pews are tired. Building or rebuilding connections, attempting new things, and being in larger gatherings all take a lot of energy. I just want to acknowledge that at least some of us are tired, and some are close to burnout. This simple fact has caused me to ask some of our clergy to consider taking all their vacation time and maybe even a few extra weeks, if possible, for renewal to mitigate clergy burnout or exiting ministry all together. I encourage us all to pray for one another, including our clergy in the various settings they serve.

Staying Wesleyan

One of the things I appreciate about being Methodist is our Wesleyan doctrine and history in which we are allowed and encouraged to journey in our faith in a manner that meets our needs. This acknowledges that we are not all in the same place doctrinally, spiritually, or theologically, but we are all part of the work God is doing within our larger family. We may not agree on some issues, we certainly will never agree on everything, but we are part of God's family. A friend recently reminded me that our Wesleyan underpinnings and our deep understanding of prevenient grace means that "we belong before we believe". I might add that we belong before we understand. We belong even when we grapple with deeply difficult issues and change our thinking. This wonderful Wesleyan understanding is such a great blessing and such a great struggle for us.

The work is never done

Most of us have heard someone say that change is the only constant in life. I have not disagreed with that statement, but it certainly feels like change has revved up these last few years. The questions I ask myself lately are: What's next? What do we keep? What needs to go away? What is essential?

It would be so simple if there was one simple answer for each of these questions. But once again, our Wesleyan understanding does not lead us to prescriptive, one size fits all answers. These questions of, what's next? What do we keep? What needs to go away? What is essential? must be answered for each of our settings and ministries. They can be good conversations to have with our church councils, our colleagues, our cohorts, and they are certainly good questions for our time of prayer also.

Thank you

In October 2022, Trinity East Wenatchee celebrated their last service after 67 years of ministry. We celebrate all the ministry, service, teaching, and grace that was offered all those years. We also honor all the hands and hearts who served in so many ways throughout the years.

As my second year of superintendency ends, I want to graciously acknowledge the people who surround me with support, wisdom, and fill the gaps when things become overwhelming: my partner on the east side, Sheila Miranda, who serves as the Connectional Minister for our two districts, Laura Velonza, our Administrative Assistant, the Cohort Pastors, Cohort Lay Leaders, and District Lay Leaders. I am so grateful to you all. I also appreciate my DS colleagues who aid when I am in need.

My Hope

My hope for this coming appointive year is that we will focus on ministry, asking all those questions about how we can best serve our congregants and our communities. We have spent too much time and energy focusing on our differences. I pray we will use our time wisely to focus on what keeps us together. I pray we that our love will be graceful and inclusive.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Daniel Miranda, Seven Rivers and Inland District Superintendent

Puget Sound Missional District

Yes, it is already my 5th year as your District Superintendent yet deep in my heart it feels like we are just starting. Yes, like we are beginning again. Probably, it feels like this because we are in a season of transition. This past year a lot of things have changed, and some are still changing.

New Bishop

A few months back we said goodbye to Bishop Elaine as we sent her off and wished her well to life in retirement. This is a life that she truly deserves after more than 40 years of active ministry among and with us. But that also meant that in that time, we welcomed our new episcopal leader, Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth. This change in the episcopal leadership of our annual conference is not a small thing. This is like beginning a new chapter of our life together as an Annual Conference. With the new energy, experience, leadership style and passion in ministry that Bishop Cedrick brings, it is exciting to wonder where God might be leading us next in our journey together.



New District Administrator

Bishop Elaine is not the only one who retired, recently we also bid farewell to Anna Conklin, who served the district well as our District Administrator until her retirement in early April. With Anna’s retirement, we are now excited to welcome Erin Tombaugh as our new District Administrator.

New DCOM Chair

We are also grateful to the Rev. Mark Johnson for his service as our District Committee on Ordained Ministry Chair for a couple of years until he stepped down from this role in December 2022 for health reasons. In his place, the Rev. Justin White so graciously agreed to step in as our new DCOM Chair. Rev. Johnson remains a member of the committee.

New District Initiatives

- 1. Good Neighbor Experiment - is a year-long small group program designed for local churches who are looking for better ways to express their faith in their communities while living out the values of relationship, abundance, and joy. An initial cohort of 12 churches were invited to participate. In partnership with the BOCD, this program was offered free of charge to all churches who participated.
- 2. Hispanic Ministry in Skagit County – in July 2022, Rev. Zulma Tifre was appointed as the Associate pastor of the Hispanic/Latinx Ministry of Mt. Vernon First UMC. With some additional funding and support from BOCD and the IV Team, we hope to expand this ministry in the coming years by inviting neighboring churches to support a shared Hispanic/Latinx ministry in Skagit County.

3. Restructuring/Reorganizing of the District Leadership Team – it is my intention to reorganize the District Leadership Team. Between 2018-2019, 10 cohort groups were organized with the intention to provide support and sharing of resources among and between neighboring churches. The pandemic has put a pause on this work, and it is now my intention to restart and/or reorganize them beginning this appointment year. I am also grateful to our staff at the conference office, who never got tired of assisting our churches in the past year through consulting, training, and coaching. A big shout out to *David Valera* and his team, whom I know I can always rely upon and call whenever I receive questions or requests regarding technology-related issues from churches.

New Appointments

In 2022, we welcomed new clergy in the district as we also bid goodbye to some of our old friends. Here are lists of our siblings who either received a new appointment (in or out of the district), moved to a life of retirement or to a leave of absence:

- 1) Received a new appointment in the District
 - a) Carrie Bland (Fall City & Snoqualmie)
 - b) Desi Larson (Sequim: Trinity)
 - c) Donna Pritchard (Edmonds)
 - d) Ieisha Hawley (Arlington)
 - e) Kim Poer (Woodinville: Community)
 - f) Ric Shewell (Issaquah: Faith)
 - g) Yvonne Agduyeng (Redmond UMC)
 - h) Zulma Tifre (Mt Vernon First: Hispanic Ministry)
- 2) Received a new appointment outside of the District
 - a) Darryn Hewson (Bryn Mawr)
 - b) Rich Füss (Bellevue: First)
- 3) Leave of Absence
 - a) Elizabeth Ingram Schindler
 - b) Jenny Smith
 - c) Lara Bolger
- 4) Retired/ Ended Interim Appointment
 - a) Joanne Coleman Campbell
 - b) Kim Fields

As of the writing of this report, there are at least ten changes in appointments that we are anticipating to begin in July 2023 as well as a couple of churches that have requested to disaffiliate from the UMC using ¶2553 of the *2016 Book of Discipline*.

Let me end by expressing my deepest gratitude to the pastors, pastoral leaders, lay people of all the churches in the Puget Sound Missional District. It has been a great honor to work alongside you all for these past five years. I have been humbled by your great love and dedication to God, the church, and the communities you serve. It has been difficult at times, but it has always been a joy for me to watch how God's love and grace has been

embodied in all the ministries you do. Again, I look forward to working with all again in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. Mark Galang, Puget Sound District Superintendent

SEATAC MISSIONAL DISTRICT

In 2022-23 our SeaTac District churches began to emerge from the covid pandemic and shut-down, and found ourselves in a space where we were needing to “begin again”: learning to be “church” in a new way for a new context in ministry, one that we have never seen or experienced before: learning how to live in and be community after being on our own and feeling isolated while meeting on zoom; old issues and concerns that were put on hold began resurfacing and causing discomfort; programs and ministries that were paused are now seeking to come back in new forms, and completely new ministries are being borne for the new needs we are experiencing; our churches have experienced struggles in the stewardship giving of time, talents and treasures that are impacting day-to-day ministries; and we continue to face the reality of exhaustion of our clergy and committed laity who have been carrying their churches through the pandemic.



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We continued to be limited in our ability to gather but were able to have a District Gathering at Kent UMC in July, to welcome new clergy and share in an “individually packaged” meal; and we did give options for zoom or in-person Charge Conference gatherings this fall. Our District Lay Leaders continued to offer monthly opportunities to gather on zoom, to share best practice successes and struggles in ministry, and asking others for feedback about concerns they were facing. And our District continues to seek out ways of supporting the development of lay leadership within and in our Conference and Area.

To that end, we are planning Pop Up Hybrid Workshops in 2023-24 with topics such as: Outreach Ministry/Reaching Young Adults; Congregational Care through Lay Visitation; Creation Care for Local Churches; Learning Labs with our Innovation Vitality projects; Community Engagement and Partnerships; New Concepts and Ideas for Online ministry; Creating an Engaged Reconciling Ministry; Fellowship and Resourcing for Youth/Young Adult Ministers, Leaders, and volunteers. And this year for our Fall Charge Conferences, we will “begin again” with the joint, collaborative Charge Conferences that we instituted in 2019 – but we unfortunately delayed by covid pandemic.

And we continue to find ways to welcome our new Bishop Cedrick D. Bridgeforth and his spouse Christopher to the Greater Northwest area and the Pacific Northwest Conference. One of the things Bishop Cedrick is doing to get to know the people of our Area is by visiting each District and touring the area and visiting with clergy and laity. Because

our SeaTac District geography is friendly to this concept, it is our plan to have a gathering of clergy and laity for an in person gathering, so that you can get to know our new episcopal leader in a relaxed, casual and relational way.

Some noted milestones happening this year in our SeaTac District: Rev. Mia MiKyung Park (Blaine Memorial UMC) was approved for ordination and full membership in the Oregon-Idaho Conference and Rev. Dirk Wooten, (chaplain in extension ministry) was approved for ordination and full membership in our Pacific Northwest Conference; Mele Aho (extension ministry at Wesley Seminary), Lisa Ishihara (extension ministry at Seattle Pacific University School of Theology), and Ashley Skinner-Creek (extension ministry at Seattle Pacific University School of Theology) continue to move forward in their process as Provisional members and are preparing to apply for ordination and full connection next year; Vangie Rand (Centralia UMC) was approved for commissioning and provisional membership in our Pacific Northwest Conference; and Rev. Steve Baber (Bellevue: St. Peter's UMC) will be entering the retired relationship this year at Annual Conference.

Thank You! - I want to offer deep gratitude to these persons for the support of our District ministries in 2022-23: Jim Carroll (Renton UMC) and members of the District Building and Location; co-chairs Kay Barckley (Queen Anne UMC) and Laura Baumgartner (Haller Lake UMC), and the members of the District Committee on Ministry; Pat Simpson (retired Elder connected to Valley and Mountain) who has assisted in resourcing our churches that have been looking at land stewardship, the development of church properties to support the needs and concerns of our communities while creating a sustainable future for their ministries, as several of our churches have been engaging in a time of vision casting and feasibility study and assessment, to investigate the potential of this for their church. Also deep gratitude to J.D. Drollinger (Auburn First UMC) who has been supporting our Lay Leader gatherings in the absence of a District Lay Leader, and to Andy O'Donnell who has continued to be supportive even as he has moved on from District Lay Leader, to his position now as Associate Conference Lay Leader. We want to offer a special word of gratitude to Anna Conklin, our administrator in the District Service Center, who retired from her position after 17 years of service with us and as Office Manager in the OCM Department of the PNW Conference Office. We also want to welcome Erin Tombaugh, who is stepping into Anna's position in the District Service Center, with our SeaTac District and the Puget Sound District.

We look forward to the new things that God is doing as we re-discover what it means to be in ministry in this time and season of our lives. May God continue to bless our District, our Conference, and our Area, that we will experience renewal and vitality in all things.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Derek Nakano, SeaTac District Superintendent

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Office of Connectional Ministries

I am often asked, what is my job description? Well, thanks to social media, I think I may have found a phrase that is as close to an accurate quick response to that question. “It’s complicated”.

So here is an attempt to share most of the work my office does, based on the many challenges of 2022. It was a year full of challenges and unfolding drama. I participated in many long meetings, sometimes well into the night. Gallons of coffee and boba tea consumed. Yet during all that work, (even going through the difficult experience of losing three loved ones within 4 months) I continue to be grateful for this opportunity to serve in this capacity and be part of team UMC for such a time as this. I am deeply thankful for my staff who continue to push our team to new heights, ideas, and adventures. Special thanks to Patrick Scriven, Teri Tobey, and Kathryn Hogg. Oh, and let’s not forget, there is also that clause “and other duties as assigned”.

¶608.b, 2016 United Methodist Book of Discipline

The (executive) director of connectional ministries shall serve as an officer of the annual conference and shall sit with the cabinet when the cabinet considers matters relating to coordination, implementation, or administration of the conference program, and other matters as the cabinet and director may determine.



Rev. David Valera

Disciplinary Responsibilities

¶608.c, 2016 United Methodist Book of Discipline

In partnership with the bishop and cabinet and the elected leadership of the conference, the director of connectional ministries shall have the following primary responsibilities:

1. to serve as steward of the vision of the annual conference, including the development, clarification, interpretation, and embodiment of the vision;
2. to serve as leader of the continuous process of transformation and renewal necessary for the annual conference to be faithful to our Christian identity in a changing world;
3. to ensure alignment of the total resources of the conference to its vision;
4. to ensure the connections among the local, district, annual conference, and general church ministries for the purpose of networking, resourcing, and communicating their shared ministry.

A year in the life of an Executive Director of Connectional Ministries.

First Quarter of 2022

Global Connection:

1. General Conference 2022 – At that point, there was much anticipation and rumors on when General Conference was to convene. GNW leadership continued to wait for official word from the Commission on the General Conference, which was scheduled to meet on February, March, and April of 2023. We were very aware that any type of a decision made at any of those meetings would have a significant impact on Annual Conference 2022. We waited for official word and anticipated planning accordingly.
2. Boy Scouts of America Lawsuit settlement – Each Director of Connectional Ministries was tasked to track and monitor BSA related work as hoped for by the denominational response team. DCMs were assigned a critical role in “oversight and engagement in the survivor healing commitments.” Coordinating this work with our Conference Treasurer, Brant Henshaw continues to the present day.

Western Jurisdiction:

1. Western Jurisdiction Executive Team – As a member of this group, I was lead in making local (hosting) preparations for WJ Leadership meetings set for March 2-6, 2022. This is an annual meeting of numerous boards and agencies of the Western Jurisdiction, and PNW was set as the venue of these gatherings. Having not met during the two years of COVID19 Lockdowns, the PNW host/tech team had to learn what it means to host a hybrid meeting. Special thanks to the staff of Des Moines UMC led by Pastor Pam Osborne for supporting this work.

Greater Northwest:

1. Disaster Response Coordinating Table:

Flooding/Water damage: With so much snow those early weeks of January, potential flooding and water damage had been a major concern for the Disaster Response Teams. Conference Disaster Response Coordinators continued to attend meetings of agencies (FEMA/VOAD's) with hopes to gather the latest data and info. Our regular Monday morning check-ins have proved to be an asset for information gathering and action coordination.

Diversity Task Force: A team has been named and empowered to take lead in inviting BIPOC folks to be more involved in the many aspects of Disaster Response. Too often, the poor, communities of color, and marginalized folks are most susceptible to the ill effects of natural disasters. Many community leaders lack the ability to appropriately address systemic racism and the need for cultural competency. Convenor: Armando Espinosa (Lay person, Renton, Fairwood UMC)

Creation Care/Environmental Justice: After individual and collective meetings with Jenny Philips, the DRC group has been inspired to make sure that this part

of the work becomes an integral aspect of its future. Coordinating the work of our respective Conference Boards within the area of Global Ministries is much needed so that we can start identifying names of individuals who could take leadership roles. Natural disasters have a direct link to climate change and Environmental Justice. Disaster mitigation is one of the priorities of UMCOR, and so the GNW Disaster Response Coordinating Table sees this as a high priority.

During those early months, the table carefully moved forward with the naming of Louise Kienzle as replacement for Rev. David King, serving as OR-ID Disaster Response Coordinator. A new job description and list of priorities were developed for and with the incoming DRC of Oregon-Idaho.

2. December 26th Sermon resource for local churches –
3. Thank you to Rev. Dr. Leroy Brown. He received words of appreciation from local churches that shifted back to online worship due to a rise in COVID cases and the hazards of winter weather. For some congregations however, the situation raised concerns on how such a resource could be used in a hybrid setting. The PNW tech team took this as a cue to work with specific congregations in developing awareness and resources towards offering hybrid (simultaneous in person & online) worship designs for local churches.
4. The three GNW Directors of Connectional Ministries: We continue to have our regular meetings every Monday, and or Wednesday, allowing us to align critical matters with Bishop Elaine Stanovsky and her episcopal area office team. This set the stage for all involved to start mapping out coordinated work leading AC Sessions 2022.

Pacific Northwest Annual Conference:

1. **Flooding in WA** – Latest report we received from Kathy Bryson (PNW DRC): “We had conversations with UMCOR staff and key mentors from the Disaster Leadership Team for potential disaster case management training support in Whatcom and the other affected Counties and Tribal lands”.

Excerpts from WA Gov. Jay Inslee’s statement that have a direct effect on our work on the ground: *“After the state’s Emergency Management Division coordinated preliminary damage assessments in December, more than 300 homes in Northwest Washington (and parts of British Columbia, CA) were damaged or have sustained serious damage.”*

Gov. Inslee sent a letter to a top official with the Federal Emergency Management Agency on Dec. 17th requesting FEMA’s Individual Assistance Program for Clallam, Skagit, and Whatcom Counties, as well as for the federally recognized Lummi Nation, Nooksack Indian Tribe, and Quileute Tribe. Meanwhile, north of the US border, Rev. Norman Feliciano, (First UMC of Canada) and some volunteers, became the eyes, hands, and boots on the ground for the UMC connection. Through their efforts, and with guidance and support from Kathy Bryson, and district leadership, significant relief work was accomplished through Rev. Feliciano’s team, specifically towards the Filipino immigrant communities affected by this natural disaster. Little did we realize that these relief efforts

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would later provide fresh opportunities towards the establishment of a new fellowship/bible study in the area. God be praised!

- 2. **Board of Congregational Development.** – Working with the Bishop and other staff, an initial list for a potential chairperson & new additional member(s) of the Board of Congregation Development was created. This body needed reorganizing in order carry out its task for the next 6 months and beyond.
- 3. **Annual Conference Session 2022.** – Convened meetings of the PNW AC Sessions Planning/Coordinating Committee. DCMs continued to coordinate and align the plans for the 3 annual conferences with the bishop, cabinet, and AC Session leaders, while eagerly waiting for the update regarding General Conference 2022.
- 4. **Creation Care/Climate Justice/Earth Keepers.** - There is a growing list of folks who have been stepping up to participate in this work. I received requests for endorsement to attend the next Earth Keepers certification and training offered by Global Ministries. Once trained, these folks look forward to specialized ministries that relate to Creation Care. (Christian Ed, Advocacy, local church trainings). There is much work ahead for us in the field of Creation Justice and Advocacy.
- 5. **Search for an Assistant to the Director of Connectional Ministries.** - We started with more than a couple of dozen applicants from all over the United States. Special thanks to Meg Kau (OR-ID HR) for her great wisdom and co-working spirit. We hope to have a new staff person hired by the second quarter of 2022.
- 6. **Office Redo.** - With the ever-growing demand of hybrid meetings and events, our staff met with consultants to gather ideas on how we could convert our office spaces and provide options for zoom and hybrid meetings. We went on a quest to find the right and appropriate technology for this specific purpose.

Second Quarter of 2022

Global Connection:

- 1. **General Conference 2022** – Finally announced: GC postponed till May of 2024. This decision of the General Commission on General Conference to move GC 2022 to May 2024 had major implications. The pathway to disaffiliation for local churches and clergy from the UMC was just one. The GNW cabinet and staff sought out plans on how to carefully engage with laity, clergy, and churches on the implications of disaffiliation. Social media groups played a very important role in some of these engagements. There was a lot of information to manage, as mainline and social media channels were also filled with much dis-information. The treasurer’s office, board of trustees, benefits officer, and appointive cabinet were on the front edge of providing information and making key decisions that would affect churches and clergy who decide to disaffiliate.
- 2. **Local Church Disaffiliations** – Attended many online meetings, while closely

monitoring conversations, options, and decisions. Goal: Develop an area wide communications plan for local churches and clergy designed to correct misinformation.

3. **Boy Scouts of America Lawsuit/Settlement** - Continuing to track and monitor BSA related work as hoped for by denominational response team. “Director of Connectional Ministries – oversight and engagement in the survivor healing commitments.”

Western Jurisdiction:

1. **Western Jurisdictional Conference** – anxiously waited for the official decision from the Judicial Council on dates of (US) Jurisdictional Conferences.
2. **WJ Executive Team (*coordinating role)** – finalizing preparations for hosting the WJ Leadership meetings March 29 – April 3, 2022. **Key groups to coordinate meetings and events: College of Bishops, Committee on Episcopacy, WJ DCMs, Leadership Team, Inter-ethnic Coordinating Committee, Observers, and guests.*
3. **WJ Caucuses/Episcopal Elections** – Tracked conversations on possible candidates, processes for election, etc.
4. **Tongan Relief** – Involvement in conversations regarding coordination and continuing support. Coordinating a communications plan with respective conference treasurers.
5. **Western Jurisdiction DCMs** – I convene this group, and which meets regularly. Concerns have started to grow, primarily with details on the Jurisdictional Conference and episcopal elections.

Greater Northwest:

1. **Hosting WJ meetings and events** were held at Des Moines UMC and PNW Conference Center. Worked with staff and volunteers regarding details of hospitality and tech support. We had folks from OR-ID, AK and even the Desert Southwest Conference volunteer as part of the hosting team.
2. **DCMs & Treasurers**– Working on a multi-year plan on area wide staffing. Considering retirements, staffing changes that are needed to support the finance and program sectors of the episcopal area.
3. **Disaster Response Coordinating Table** –work has slowed down significantly, but we continue to remain vigilant for any unexpected disasters.

Diversity Task Force: Assigned Rev. Cruz Edwin Santos as OCM rep to this group.

Creation Care/Environmental Justice: Continuing conversations between staff and consultants.
4. **Lent/Easter and Worship resources** – Started recording and editing videos of District Superintendents and Staff. Released Rev. *Karen Hernandez* “conversation starter” video on white privilege. Filmed, edited, and shared Rev’s. *Daniel* and

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Sheila Miranda's 'table talk' as a preaching/teaching tool which was released to the Greater Northwest.

5. **DCMs Regular meeting on Mondays with the Bishop** and Wednesdays with key staff and personnel as preparations for Annual Conference Session 2022 were in full swing. Planning included, but not limited to reports, budget, legislations, memorial, retirement, and ordination services. Technology/connectivity was to play an important role in all these events.
6. **Ethnic Clergy Petition to ACs 2022.** A petition asking Wespath to improve its support and customer service for ESL and immigrant folks. Cultural Interpretation and not just language translation.
7. **Transitions Retreat** – 40+ GNW Clergy and pastoral leaders who were moving to new appointments attended this online activity.

Session 1: Gathering our Hearts and Our Ministries

Session 2: Finding Our Spark in the Wilderness

Session 3: Building sustainable patterns in a new context: tending your ministry spark.

On the GNW front, I was assigned as DCM to work with the GNW Safe Sanctuary Team. This team has been tasked with reviewing our GNW Safe Sanctuary guidelines and to develop updated policies or legislation (as needed) that would help ensure safer protocols and practices especially for children, young people and the vulnerable. A team report to all GNWAC Sessions was presented. (Key personnel & groups: Teri Tobey, Lydia Henry, Susan Smalley, Conference Boards of Trustees). After the group's report was finalized and submitted, Brant Henshaw (PNW Treasurer) and Laurie Day (OR-ID DCM) took on the task of taking this to the level of work.

Pacific Northwest:

1. **AC Session 2022 Design Team:** Met every Thursday from 12:30-1:30. Our work now included Legislative processes, nominations and elections, reports, worship, memorial, retirement, etc. PNW AC Sessions 2022 was (still) going to be 100% online.
2. **Nominations Committee:** Supported Nominations Committee to actively recruit replacement members for boards and agencies.
3. **Creation Care/Climate Justice/Earth Keepers.** – *Kathy Neary*, Patrick Scriven, and I had initial conversations regarding this important ministry. Beyond hiring of staff assigned to shepherd this movement, we agreed that the conference needed a fresh look at how it does this ministry and find new ideas so that this work is not simply program or staff based but becomes an ethos of who we are as United Methodists in the Pacific Northwest.
4. **New OCM Assistant – Kathryn Hogg.** We hired a new staff person! After 5 years

of having no one serving in this post, we now have someone who can help coordinate much of the work and projects that are critical to the success of the Office of Connectional Ministries, starting with its Executive Director. Kathryn officially started her role on April 1, 2022.

- 5. **Conference Office Space** – with changes in COVID-19 protocols and work-related dynamics, we have reconfigured workspaces in the office building so we could develop more hybrid style meetings and gatherings.
- 6. **Camping and Outdoor Ministries** – Because of the COVID-19 lockdown, a new pattern of regular zoom check-in with camp directors and the Exec. Director of camping ministries has emerged. This regular connection continues to develop plans and ideas for re-engaging the mission field and local churches, using disciple making as a key approach.

Third Quarter, 2022

(The outcome of work during this quarter are reflected in the journal)

Western Jurisdiction:

- 1. **Episcopal Nominations.** Arising from the work of the WJ Leadership team that met in Des Moines UMC in early April, the whole WJ embarked on a move to “identify diverse candidates for episcopacy, creating a mosaic of strengths within the College as a whole”. First Elected delegates worked together and developed a process of discernment for candidates and for the election process. \$20k has been allocated by the WJCFA/Leadership Team to support this process.

What this meant for PNW and all AC Sessions in the WJ:

Each AC Session is being asked to suspend their respective rules on episcopal nominations, to allow a process of lifting names of those who are willing to be part of a WJ wide discernment process designed to help the jurisdiction elect 4 new Bishops. (Key personnel & groups: Bishop, DCM’s, First Elects, Rules Committee, Comm. on Episcopacy)

- 2. **Western Jurisdiction DCMs** – Continued to meet regularly to follow up on the work related to the WJ with respect to our Annual Conference. We said goodbye to Dave McPherson (DCM from the Desert SW) who retired on July 1, 2022.

Greater Northwest Area:

- 1. **Clergy Transitions Retreat.** We invited the Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed who is a clergy and congregational coach to design an online retreat for our transitioning pastoral leaders. We held this event on June 6-7, 2022. (Key personnel & Groups: Bishop, GNW Cabinet and Staff)
- 2. **GNW Worship Team.** (Coordinating detailed work with Bishop, staff, cabinet, and leaders.)

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3. **GNW DCMs:** GNW Opening and Closing Session with the Bishop's retirement celebration.

Pacific Northwest Conference Session:

Annual Conference Session Design Team (Met every Thursday) Deep dive into:

- a. Business of the AC
- b. Clergy Session
- c. Laity Session
- d. Episcopal (Discernment) Nominations
- d. Worship and Memorial
- e. Ordination
- f. Communications and Tech.
- g. Nominations

Note for Annual Conference Events of 2022:

GNW Clergy Sessions: The Bishop presided from PNW Conference Center.

GNW AC Sessions: The Sanctuary of Des Moines UMC.

PNW Ordination: The Sanctuary of Kent UMC (Indoor).

Fourth Quarter, 2022

1. **GNW DCM's Retreat:** Much good can be said about our DCMs' retreat in Homer, AK in October of 2022. The several days we spent helped align not only our work but also how we work together as colleagues while being fully aware of the different dynamics each of us must navigate, in our respective conferences. Let's be reminded, there is not one job description for every DCM. We also decided to use Trello as the shared project management platform. Some of these include:
 - Episcopal Elections
 - Transitions for Episcopal leaders
 - Disaffiliations
 - AC Sessions for 2023 & 2024
 - AC Sessions Shared Technology (Resourcing and training)
 - Circle of Indigenous Ministries
 - Reproductive Rights
 - Young Clergy Leadership Cohorts
 - Tongan Relief
 - Certified Lay Ministry

- Disaster Response
- Creation Justice and Advocacy
- Safe Sanctuary Audits
- Boy Scouts of America (Conference Commitments)

2. **Western Jurisdictional Conference.** November 2022, Salt Lake City, UT. Celebrated the retirement of Bishop Elaine Stanovsky, and Bishop Grant Hagiya. We also witnessed the historic election of Bishop Carlo Rapanut, Bishop Dottie Escobido Frank, & Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth (who is assigned to the GNW).

Being present and available to help as part of the DCMs of the WJ.

Worked with communicators in photo/video documentation.

Served as ‘handler’ for Bishop Carlo Rapanut.

Assigned to work with Kristin Caldwell to produce videos of the three new Bishops.

Worked with some members of the H/L youth on their roles and expectations at WJC.

Helped with the management of medical crises among the PNW delegation.

3. **Episcopal transition:** As we excitedly welcomed Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth, it also meant working behind the scenes on many details of a transition of this magnitude. Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth officially assumed his office on January 1, 2023.
4. Here is the link to Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth’s intro video:

<https://vimeo.com/784668057/8ca518f59e...>

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- Working with Jim Truitt on possible scenarios/expectations for Area Cabinet training on disaster response.
- Continuing to monitor numerous flooding/snowstorm conditions via Disaster Response Coordinators. Kathy and Dana Bryson have been giving regular updates.
- Safe Sanctuary policies/practices – Met with Teri Tobey to continue following up on possible legislation for AC 2023, reflecting on learnings from recent legal issues with Boy Scouts of America.
- Regional Media Center – Met with team to start preparations for Annual Conference Season for possibly three Annual Conferences of the Area. We are now looking into developing and training multiple tech teams, to respond to this growing demand from groups that are meeting online/hybrid meetings.

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Started organizing with our conference staff on calendar details for 2023, based off the area cabinet calendar. This calendaring work allowed us to plan meetings and events such as:

- Regular PNW staff meetings have resumed.
- One on one with executives on year end assessments of work and possibilities for 2023.
- Coordinating with Treasurer next steps with regards to AC Session 2023.
- Tracking the delegation requirements for GC 2024. (Do we need to elect a new slate in 2023?)
- Align boards and agencies with regards to meetings, anticipated projects, budgets, etc.
- Planning on next meeting(s) of the Connectional Table. (Budget hearing with CFA)
- Recruiting key leadership of *AC Session 2023.
- Christmas Institute 2022 (I am serving as Co-Dean with Rev. Yvonne Agduyeng)
- Training new tech team members. (Also recruiting from local churches)
- Local church consultations on worship and tech.

*Visited and met with leadership of Tacoma Mason UMC as possible venue for AC 2023. After the visit, I shared this possibility with DS Derek Nakano who also saw the excitement of Mason UMC. There are still details to be worked on, and there are nearby venues including University of Puget Sound where we could possibly have our plenary session as needed.

Christmas Institute: For the first time since the lockdown of 2020, we held this young people's camp at Lazy F from December 26-29. We had a total of 53 campers, adult chaperones, and clergy who came all the way from AK. We also had several visitors and guests who came during evening worship and MTV night. One third of our campers were first timers. Most of our young leaders were developed (discipled) through previous CI camps. Thank you to the Commission on Ethnic Ministries who increased funding support for CI 2022.

Local churches and camps our office directly engaged with in 2022.

- Sequim
- Snohomish
- Pioneer, Walla Walla
- Sunnyside
- Palabra Viviente (Everett)
- Vancouver First (WA)
- Simpson/Pullman
- Lynden

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- Mount Vernon
- Ocean Shores
- Port Hadlock
- Yakima Wesley
- Vashon
- Spanaway
- Port Angeles
- Mercer Island
- Coeur d'Alene
- Gig Harbor
- Marysville
- FUMC Canada
- Mason, Tacoma
- Fall City
- Snoqualmie
- Centralia
- Ocean Park
- Camp Indianola
- Lazy F Camp
- Twinlow
- Respectfully submitted,

Rev. David Valera

Executive Director of Connectional Ministries, PNW Conference

Board of Congregational Development

The Board of Congregational Development (BOCD) oversees the creation of new faith communities and support for vitality in existing congregations. It works in conjunction with the GNW Appointive Cabinet and the Innovation Vitality Team (IV Team), each tending critical parts of this work.

The funding for this work comes from a few sources – some from apportioned giving but most from legacy funds transferred by the Board of Trustees from sale of church properties. The BOCD feels a special responsibility for seeing that these legacy funds are invested in faith expressions that might resonate with new people, younger people, and more diverse people for continuation of a Wesleyan theology in the region.

The BOCD was newly formed in Spring 2022. This represents the first full year of work for this new board. I am grateful to the members as we have learned the history of this work, and have begun to put our stamp on the work moving forward. You will see a full listing of projects and funding in the Innovation Vitality Team (IV Team) report.

During 2022, BOCD accompanied IV Team in listening to planter/innovators in the area. We did not make it to all the planters in the PNW Conference, but we made it to many. Our goal was to reestablish ties with planters, and to accompany our Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality as she heard the stories, positive and negative, of the planters’ experiences. It has been valuable to the strengthening of relationships, and to learn from those who have or are exiting the process. These conversations will inform our work moving forward.

Part of our listening was in inviting planters, who were at the peak of their funding, to provide self-evaluations of their projects, and to talk with BOCD about their learnings. This process allowed us to distribute some additional funding to help mitigate for the effects of the pandemic on these plants. We also worked with the Oregon-Idaho Congregational Development Team to design and offer Pivot Grants for COVID relief for other projects. (The Vitality Team in Alaska was invited to participate but declined as it has just one planter and project.) The process of receiving and reading the Pivot Grant applications gave us greater insight into the work of our planters and projects. We have amazingly talented leaders in this area of ministry. Still, it is difficult work, as we who pastor or lead in our established congregations are aware.

As we move into the next year, we will be attending to how we might support established congregations in developing strategies and honing skills to reach further into our communities. We value your input on how we might measure these efforts since we are in a context of great reluctance to engage in Christian community, particularly among younger generations.

We celebrate our planters and the projects they tend. Please pray with us that we may support them well, and that we may discover the ways in which our Wesleyan theology may multiply to make positive change in the world.

Rev. Kathy Hartgraves, Chair

Hispanic/ Latinx Ministry

The vision of Hispanic/Latinx Ministry in the Pacific Northwest is to be a church called to be united and diverse in God’s love that changes lives and transforms communities.

Respect

We recognize the inherent value and dignity of all God’s creation and all people.

Justice

We strive to live into the equality of God’s provision in a world where every need is met.

Love

Inspired by the compassion and grace of our God, we seek to joyfully embrace and serve with all people.

Community

We commit to live with our neighbors united in loyalty, family, solidarity, and inclusivity.

Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our strategy to live into this vision is to

- Raise up leaders in all parts of the church who are committed to this vision and prepared with skills, faith, and a network of persons and faith communities with which to walk each day closer to being the church we envision. To continue providing training for lay people and pastors within the local churches
- To continue recruiting and training those called to be Certified Lay Missioners and Ministers.
- To continue providing support, training, and listening to youth and young adults in their faith and leadership and strengthening our connection with our MARCHA West Youth group.
- To continue providing spaces, networking, peer support, prayer and community to women leaders/pastors, our siblings from the LGBTQIA+ community and to all pastors.
- To continue recruiting ally leaders within the church to gain skills in Spanish and in culture to better connect with Hispanic/Latinx church leaders and neighbors by providing learning experiences and translating resources from Spanish to English and from English to Spanish.
- To continue recruiting and providing a variety of supports for Latinx persons called to ministry, guiding, accompanying, and facilitating for them the conference processes for formation, licensing and/or ordination.
- Advocate within the church for inclusion, innovation, and multiplication and to be a church that is ready and active advocating in every levels.
- To continue providing learning experiences to local church leaders in advocacy.
- To continue working intentionally with the PNW communications team to help

us tell the stories of ministry.

- Create faith communities in new places and re-new faith communities already established that have become limited in their vision and relationships.
- To continue providing workshops with the GNW IV Team on diversity intelligence and cultural competency.
- To continue having an annual family camp where every Latinx Faith Community can network across local churches, celebrate, recreate, learn and grow stronger in faith.
- With the help of the National Plan Office to continue providing financial support for Pastors Salaries to new and on-going congregations and ministries involving Latinx persons and communities.

Summary of events/programs/projects

- Providing support and workshops for the online presence of our churches
- Leading the design team for our Immigration Round Table
- Providing resources and support for CWJFON
- Participating with CWJFON in our two Round Tables on Immigration (Spring/Fall), “Walking with our Immigrant neighbors”: a panel discussion.
- Lay Servant Basic Course in Spanish
- Coordinating and providing support to our GNW Disaster Response Team. Participating as one of the leaders for the workshop with the Cabinet.
- Providing support and resources for the GNW Disaster Response Diversity Task Force
- Provided Leadership support to district superintendents, leading the charge conferences of Hispanic/Latinx congregations
- Coordinating and providing support to our students of the COSS
- Providing online resources to celebrate the Hispanic Heritage Month
- Producing our quarterly newsletter
- Providing support and leadership for Puget-Sound Missional District in a strategic plan for H/L Ministry in Skagit County
- Providing support and Leadership for Sea-Tac Missional District in a strategic plan for our Hispanic/Latinx Progressive Church in Sea-Tac Missional District.
- Providing support and leadership to our cabinet with consultations with Hispanic/Latinx Pastors
- Providing resources for our BOOM and DBOM
- Providing leadership and resources in the design team of our 2022 and 2023 local church leadership

- Training for laity in the GNW. Leading the workshop with the Spanish speaking participants (Church Council, Committee on Pastor Parish Relations, Board of Trustees, Committee on Finances, and Nominations and Leadership Development)
- Providing leadership and resources for our 2022 GNW Ethnic Clergy Retreat
- Providing support and help to our churches applying for the RELC Grant
- Providing coaching and mentoring services
- Leading and coordinating the production of our Hispanic/Latinx Ministry video for our 2022 and 2023 AC
- Participating in the PNW Connectional Table
- Participating in the BOTH/AND Event (workshop about hybrid worship experience)
- Providing support and resources to Faith Action Network (FAN)
- Providing leadership and resources to the OR-ID leaders to develop a strategic plan for the Hispanic/Latinx ministry
- Providing leadership in the GNW Residence in Ministry retreat
- Providing leadership to the construction of our new building in Everett
- Providing leadership and resources to the PNW Board of Congregational Development
- Providing resources to the “Love Beyond Borders” learning curriculum with the Cathedral of the Rockies in Boise, Idaho
- Providing resources and leadership to the OR-ID CORR

Aspirations for 2023-2024

- To coordinate with CWJFON on a round table in the fall of 2023
- To coordinate with CWJFON a Gala to fundraise donations in the west part of the state
- To coordinate a webinar about how to embrace multiculturalism in the local church
- To continue providing leadership formation webinars for our leaders and communities
- To continue providing coaching, mentoring and translation services for our connection
- To coordinate an encounter #1 with the National Plan
- To continue offering the Safe Sanctuaries workshop in Spanish
- To coordinate a workshop for children Ministries

Key Learning

- National Plan and conference resources and funds that we are receiving are crucial to continue strengthening the Latinx ministry in our episcopal area
- We need to be better connected to every church planting in the Latinx community

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- We need to incorporate more young and young adult leaders into our ministry
- We need to be more proactive in discovering new places for Latinx ministry
- We need more participation of our Latinx community at the conference level
- We need to evaluate the criteria and the process to select and recruit Latinx Pastoral leadership
- We need to continue our efforts to integrate the Latinx from the GNW

And by working with the best Hispanic Latino Ministry committee to become the best it can be at coordinating all of this work.

Central Washington Justice for our Neighbors

Since Central Washington Justice For Our Neighbors began in 2018, we have worked to provide meaningful support to our most vulnerable immigrant community members through organizing, advocacy, supporting pro-immigrant policy change and offering free immigration legal services. What began as a group of local community members, brought initially together through the Pastor at our local church focused on establishing much needed support for neighbors throughout the most rural areas of our state, in the midst of raids and courthouse apprehensions, has grown to a immigration law and advocacy organization that has provided support and resources, collaboratively, to thousands across our state.

Our legal team has served over 175 individuals and families, support around U-Visas, asylum cases, removal defense, DACA renewals, naturalization supports, work permits and more, not including legal advice and counsel which everyone gets. Many of the clients we serve have multiple cases or legal issues we are helping them with.

A Few More Specific Examples Include:

- Successfully stopped the immigration court from removing a family of five.
- Contracted with a young student for TPS and asylum.
- Helped stop the removal of a young man with a wife and young child and helped get a minor conviction vacated so he can pursue an adjustment of status and get his green card.
- Through federal litigation, successfully compelled USCIS to issue a much-needed work permit and social security card for a young client who needed the documents to work and receive some basic government benefits.
- Serving individuals from Afghanistan, Gambia, Somalia, Guatemala, Saudi Arabia and more.

Through Our Advocacy Efforts

- At a time when threats of ICE arrests were rampant at courthouses across our state, we provided over 100 accompaniments to courthouse and USCIS appearances. Our accompaniment protocol became the statewide standard.

- From March 2020 through December 2021, we moved over \$250,000.00 out in direct fund support for varied status and undocumented worker relief funds through our Mutual Aid Program.
- We were the first organization to secure administrative bonds from ICE holding in Yakima which led to a multi-year and multi organization effort to secure such bonds to release people detained before they were transferred to the Tacoma Detention Center.
- We participated in weekly meetings with the state Attorney General's Office, the Governor's Office, met with statewide representatives, local police departments and sheriffs offices, spoke at conferences and before our state's Supreme Court Justices.
- We protested the ICE flights out of Yakima, held weekly vigils and protests in Ellensburg, multiple protests in Walla Walla, all in support of our immigrant communities. Many of which were rapid response protests during the Trump administration to oppose anti-immigrant policy changes.
- And we are committed to our Board reflecting the communities we serve, making sure our bylaws provide space for younger immigrant voices, low-income representation, and a broader spectrum of diversity to insure that at our core, in leadership roles, that we collectively live the values we believe.

This is just a small snapshot view of what we have been able to accomplish with the support of the United Methodist Church, family and organizational funders, private and individual donors, committed volunteers and the collaborations with other social justice organizations across the state committed to a world where immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees are welcomed, supported and able to live without fear.

For donations through the Pacific Northwest Conference of the United Methodist Church used the Advance Special Account #339 Central Washington Justice for our Neighbors.

¡Muchas bendiciones!

Rev. Cruz Edwin Santos

Director of Hispanic/Latinx Ministry, PNW Conference

Transitional Ministry Development

I work with the district superintendents to help small churches discern their next steps in ministry. Almost half of our churches in the PNW Conference have an average Sunday worship attendance of 25 people or less. These churches are not alike. There is a great variety in terms of types of ministries occurring in small churches. Some have very vibrant ministries that feed the souls of their congregations and neighbors, while others function solely as social groups that happen to gather on Sunday mornings. Still, small churches share a few common characteristics and trajectories toward the future:

- Most churches of this size (with fewer than 25 people in worship) have about 2-3 years left to experience vital ministry, through which people grow closer to God, and help build the kingdom of God.
- Many of these churches will keep their doors open long past the time when they are experiencing vital ministry.

Local congregations need to get over their reluctance to close their churches when their ability to sustain a vital ministry is over. All churches have a life cycle, and there is nothing wrong with accepting the end of a wonderful ministry and leaving a legacy of faith and service to the community. Often the gifts given at the end of a ministry spark renewed ideas of service in a community. Church buildings have become community centers, senior centers, arts spaces, food banks and historical society homes. Gifts of money to our camps, to UMCOR, and to local charities have multiplied the good work of the congregations. When members of a closed church continue their faith journeys in other congregations, they bring the gifts of experience and wisdom to the new church. Of course, the sadness and grief that accompanies the end of a ministry can be overwhelming sometimes. Church members need to both celebrate their ministries and support one another through this grieving process. We know God travels with us through these difficult times and shows us the way to new life in new places.

Many small churches still have the capacity for more years of vital ministry IF they actively and prayerfully choose this path. This starts with having an all-church conversation on the preferred future of the church ministry. Close or transform, those are the two faithful options to choose from. Here are a couple of necessary steps to take on the path of transformation:

- Find and develop ministry partnerships. It is almost impossible for a very small church to sustain a vital ministry on its own. Vital small churches partner with other UM churches, other non-UM churches, or non-profit organizations that share their values and goals to create new ministries. These partnerships take time to develop but the impact on both sides can be life-giving.
- Know your purpose and pursue it. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we do what Jesus did. We grow and deepen our relationship to God, and we proclaim, in word and deed, the coming reign of God. Evaluate everything you do in light of this purpose.
- Be open to the work of the Holy Spirit. By listening closely to one another and

your neighbors, you will begin to hear what God has planned for you. Say yes! Figure out the details later.

Summary of My Work in 2022

Small Churches: I worked with 14 UM churches in the PNW Conference and 2 UM churches in the Oregon-Idaho Conference to discern their next steps for ministry. Four of these churches closed, and the rest are working on next steps for transforming their ministries.

Lay-Led Congregations: Working with District Superintendents Kathleen Weber and Daniel Miranda, we revised the Covenant for Lay Led Ministry to emphasize growing relationships with God and developing relational on-ongoing mission work. The lay-led congregations in the Crest-to-Coast district met by Zoom to share ministry ideas and to keep up to date on new administrative changes for all churches. The lay-led congregations in the Inland and Seven Rivers districts are all part of ministry cohorts and receive their support from these cohorts.

Certified Lay Ministries: I serve as the Conference staff support person for the Conference Committee on Certified Lay Ministries. This committee has developed an “operations manual” for their work, outlining the processes for becoming a certified lay servant, lay speaker, or lay minister. People who desire to learn more about these programs should speak to their pastor, district superintendent, or Rev. Sheila Miranda.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Kathy Neary
Transitional Ministry Developer

Communications Report

If there were a single word to summarize the past year, that word would be ‘transition.’ In 2022, most of our local churches fully transitioned to in-person worship while maintaining new online worship offerings. The connectional structures of United Methodism sprung back to life as the next General Conference dates were scheduled, and jurisdictions were permitted to meet to retire and elect new bishops. And some churches and individuals grappled with questions about disaffiliation as the Global Methodist Church launched in May.

Each of these transitions would have been plenty for United Methodists in the Pacific Northwest to navigate in 2022. However, piling them up left many exhausted, especially as they followed several difficult years. Yet, closing in on the other side of these transitions now, it is also possible to begin to see new visions for what the church can do to positively impact the lives of our neighbors and others, near and far.

Throughout the year, staff from our PNW Office of Connectional Ministries (OCM) have continued to focus on resourcing local churches in the growing edge of online worship. Following well-attended workshops on online worship practices by Jason Moore and a technology granting program that delivered over \$100k in grants to churches late in 2021, we’ve continued to help churches to take their next best step in this area. This has taken the form of online and in-person consultations, advising churches on new purchases of AV gear, developing, and offering guidance and training for tech team members, and troubleshooting technical and organizational challenges.

Through our Regional Media Center, we continued to offer support for churches by extending group CCLI licensing for livestreaming. Additionally, we regularly assist congregations and leaders in understanding the ins and outs of copyright to mitigate infringement risks and help churches honor the work of creatives.

We have also continued to offer subsidized Zoom licenses, supporting churches across the Greater Northwest Area. Over the past year, 365 licensed users have hosted over 23,500 Zoom meetings and 214 webinars. Our account’s five most active local churches each hosted over 300 Zoom meetings last year. As strange as it might sound, these numbers are down around 20% year-to-year, which is a good thing! As the impacts of the pandemic on gatherings have lessened, Zoom continues to be a tool used to include people, but that usage is driven less by necessity.

Last year, I shared that I was responsible for convening the Greater Northwest’s COVID-19 Response Team through the back half of the pandemic. As local churches and ministries made their final, God-willing, pivot toward their new normal; the team also wound its support work down early last fall. While this disease continues to impact us, local churches and ministries are adapting to something that will be with us for a while, mainly in ways that balance the real physical and spiritual needs of the people they serve and the Wesleyan value of doing no harm.

Most years, much of the Spring is consumed with preparation for the annual conference session; 2022 was no exception. This year, the OCM welcomed the addition of Kathy

Hogg as our new administrative assistant as we began to process reports, legislation, and registrations for annual conference. After the session met, she continued helping us to organize the Conference Journal even as she was meeting new people and getting to know a new system. Her addition to the staff has been a blessing, and we look forward to her contributions in 2023!

In June, our PNW OCM staff had the opportunity to help provide technical and communications support for the PNW Annual Conference Session and the shared sessions of the Greater Northwest Area. Working with our technology partners GNTV and with staff and talented lay and clergy volunteers, we supported these mostly online sessions and celebrated the retirement of Bishop Elaine Stanovsky. We were blessed again to have the hospitality of Des Moines UMC, its staff, and Rev. Pam Osborne in providing a place for plenary and worship. Kent UMC and its staff welcomed us again to celebrate the commissioning and ordination of new clergy members. With increased confidence in gathering in person, we held this service indoors this year, whereas the same service was held on Kent UMC's lawn in 2021.

In the Fall, a newly formed Communications Commission held its first meeting. With members from the Alaska and Pacific Northwest Conferences, one area of focus it has identified is the need to be very intentional in managing the communications-related elements of the coming transition of Alaska to being a Mission District within the PNW Conference. I appreciate Rev. Jim Doeppen for his deep knowledge of ministry in Alaska and his willingness to serve as the convener for this commission. This is just one place where we are starting to live into the transitioning relationship between the two conferences structurally.

In November, United Methodist delegations from the West gathered in Salt Lake City, Utah, for the Western Jurisdictional Conference. Preparation for the gathering picked up steam in the months preceding it, and again, the jurisdictional communicators worked collaboratively to support the event. During and after the jurisdictional conference, our communications team delivered several resources to help to introduce three newly elected bishops, including Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth, who was assigned to our Greater Northwest Area. Videos produced by Rev. David Valera were released just as the new episcopal assignments began. We also supported the first shared message of the new WJ College of Bishops offered for Epiphany, with the PNW Conference taking the lead on the video production.

As I write, our new bishop is still getting to know the 400+ churches and ministries of the Greater Northwest Area, as we are getting to know him. Recently, we've launched a new series of short videos where Bishop Cedrick answers questions from lay and clergy members. We are also scheduling small Zoom gatherings where he can connect with active leaders across the region before his installation service in Juneau, Alaska, in May. Much of this work is done collaboratively by the GNW Area's communicators; we continue to work closely together as we have during the pandemic.

Through much of 2022, conversations about the future of United Methodism persisted, with tensions rising when the Commission on the General Conference announced a

further delay of the next General Conference until 2024. The formal launch of the Global Methodist Church initiated conversations about staying or going across the connection, with a fair amount of disinformation in its wake. While their campaign to persuade congregations to leave the church has been more successful in other regions of the church, its impact in the PNW Conference has been muted in comparison. However, with sorrow, we anticipate feeling a transition of our own as a small number of congregations leave our conference after special sessions expected this year. The temporary Disciplinary provision allowing disaffiliations closes at the end of 2023.

Over the past several years, we have all learned to expect the unexpected. With that acknowledged, we can hope this year will provide ample time and opportunity for us to transition into the church and connection that God is calling us to be. May we listen carefully for all the Spirit seeks to communicate to us, so we may go and do.

Patrick Scriven
Director of Communications, PNW Conference

Connectional Ministries Associate

Because my position as Associate for Connectional Ministries in the Inland and Seven Rivers Districts was new in July 2021, I sometimes am asked questions about what exactly it is that I do in the Conference. I work under Rev. David Valera who is the Executive Director for Connectional Ministries in the Des Moines office. When my husband, Rev. Daniel Miranda, was appointed as DS of two districts, both Inland and Seven Rivers, there was concern that the job was too much for one person. To ease this workload, I was appointed half-time to serve as “conference staff on the field” serving the eastside churches. Much of my work focuses on the collaborative work of Connectional Ministries and our newly created Missional Cohorts.

Here are some of the responsibilities and activities I carried out in 2022:

- I visited with churches and talked with pastors and church leaders to build relationships and help district staff learn of the blessings, challenges, and needs of the churches. I have been available to answer a variety of resourcing questions from churches by phone, email and Zoom.
- Along with the DS, I helped design and set up the Missional Cohort system and met monthly with presiding pastors as they learned about their administrative responsibilities within each cohort. Cohort Lay Leaders will be added to the system in January 2023 to discern collaborative cohort ministries or projects.
- I participated in monthly Zoom gatherings, one for pastors and another for Lay Leaders, along with the DS. These meetings have proved to be helpful for churches to learn from one another and to provide encouragement and support during the challenges brought about by COVID.
- As Presiding Pastor of the Okanogan Cohort, I met with pastors and lay leaders monthly via Zoom.
- In May, I conducted an in-person workshop with the six small Okanogan Cohort churches. Topics addressed were: Lay Leadership Development, Alternatives to Every Sunday Traditional Worship, and Engaging Millennials.
- Bi-weekly OCM Zoom meetings allowed me to learn about the work and ministries of my OCM colleagues. This knowledge helped me better understand resources that are available to our churches.
- In May and June, at the request of the DS, I conducted Laity Transition Workshops for 12 eastside churches receiving new pastors in July.
- Along with DS Daniel Miranda, I attended the DS/DCM training in Lake Junaluska in July. This event helped me better understand the work of Connectional Ministries and gave me the opportunity to meet and interact with colleagues from across the country.
- I partner with Rev. Dr. Allen Buck, director of the GNW Circle of Indigenous Ministries, to build relationships with Native American ministries in our districts,

one in White Swan (Yakama) and the other in Lapwai (Nez Perce). On the Yakama reservation, we have connected with a Native American faith-based non-profit organization called Mending Wings. As well as serving high school students on the Yakama reservation, the organization offers training for cultural understanding through their Dancing Our Prayers troupe and week-long S.L.A.M. (Students Learning About Missions) Trips. In August, I participated in the Cultural Day of a SLAM Trip, along with three other representatives of the PNW. Focusing on the Yakama value of respect, our hosts shared insights into their culture as we visited cultural sites in the area. We toured Fort Simcoe (site of an Indian Agency boarding school) and stories were told about the mistreatment of native children at that school. Native music and dance was shared by the our hosts and a Salmon Bake was enjoyed by all. The young people participating in the SLAM Trip carried out several work projects on the homes of elders in the community during the week, all the while learning about Yakama culture. Mending Wings works for conciliation and seeks partners who will advocate for justice to native people. In 2023, we will seek scholarship money for 50 PNW youth to participate in a SLAM Trip.

- Throughout the year, I worked with Lay Servant Ministries to help potential Lay Servants and Certified Lay Ministers discern their call to ministry and navigate the required courses and certification process. In the fall, I was invited to join the team (headed by Rev. Kathy Neary) which is revamping the PNW Lay Servant Ministries program.
- I am an advocate for Connectional Ministries' organizations like UMVIM & UMCOR, and the Early Response Team and Long-Term Recovery Groups which serve in emergency situations. The 8 home rebuilds in Malden (in the Inland District) and the 42 Okanogan home rebuilds (in Seven Rivers District) have been major projects in eastern Washington over the past several years. In November, I had the privilege of representing the PNW at the dedication of three new homes in Okanogan County.
- As an advocate for United Women of Faith, I was guest speaker at the Inland District Fall Conference at Spokane Valley UMC.
- As Presiding Pastor of the Okanogan Cohort, I conducted Charge Conferences in October and November with the six churches in the cohort. I also attended several additional Charge Conferences in our districts representing Connectional Ministries.
- Communicating the ministry work of our districts through our monthly district newsletters is an important, ongoing part of my job. Our churches and connectional organizations do many amazing things, and we can learn much from one another. One of my articles was republished in our GNW newsletter.
- I serve on the Board of Trustees of Spokane United Methodist Home (now doing business as Rockwood Retirement Communities); my subcommittee assignment is with the Appleway Court Apartments which offers low income and affordable housing units.

- I provided pulpit supply to six churches, and often brought greetings or played a special piano piece when I visited churches in our districts.
- I have traveled with the DS to many of the disaffiliation Charge Conferences to be of support.
- As we neared the end of 2022, the Presiding Pastors and Lay Leaders from Inland and Seven Rivers Districts began to look at topics for training events in 2023, hopefully using both Zoom and in-person formats. It is likely that our first training will be on Congregational Care in April 2023.
- While COVID limited our ability to be out with district congregations when we first came on board in July of 2021, DS Daniel Miranda and I were still able to get to know pastors and church leaders on Zoom or in small groups. As restrictions lessened throughout 2022, we have visited 90% of our 72 churches in person.

I am pleased to represent the Connectional Ministries team as I serve on the eastside of the PNW Annual Conference. Working with the other Spokane-based conference staff, DS Daniel Miranda and Administrative Assistant, Laura Velonza, we feel the blessing of being able to collaborate in person, as well as working remotely with our Conference staff colleagues based in other places. One of the hallmarks of Methodism is our connectional work; together we can accomplish more than when we work alone. I look forward to more ministry collaboration as we move forward in 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Shiela Miranda
Assistant for Connectional Ministries

Young People's Ministries

The Conference Council on Youth Ministries (CCOYM) team consists of youth and adult volunteers from across the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference selected to be on this volunteer team. They represent youth on wider boards and committees of the annual conference, share information about district and conference youth events, and typically plan a conference-wide youth event called Convo. This event did not happen in 2022 due to the continuing Conference efforts to avoid large in person regional gatherings. The team has begun the planning to relaunch the team and organize conference-wide youth events in the 2023-2024 school year.

Weekly we offered a digital Young People's Ministry Check-in opportunity for those working with youth and children on Zoom. This provided space for fellowship, sharing ideas, praying for each other, and asking questions. This digital meeting has been a beneficial and life-giving time for the youth workers.

The Conference Council on Young Adult Ministries (YAM) struggled to find young adults willing to step into leadership on the team and therefore did not meet in 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Tobey

Program Associate for Young People's Ministries

Regional Media Center

There can be no doubt that the last few years have been unique. Whether we’re talking about the Regional Media Center, the United Methodist Church, or even the world in general. In 2019, before the pandemic hit, we still felt this way. In the United Methodist Church, we were already feeling like our structure was crumbling, and then the pandemic hit.

For context, in my 2019 report, I wrote:

“As a denomination, we are facing a massive change, the result of which none of us knows. How will it affect us financially? How will it affect the way that we are seen in our communities? How will it affect my livelihood? We know it will split our global church, but how will it affect our local churches? Will they be split too, in this era of already declining attendance? These are questions that many are asking.

With their financial, even foundational, future in question, local churches have had to make some important decisions. These decisions have affected the Regional Media Center. Since the Council of Bishop’s announcement of the 2019 Special Session on April 24, 2017, the Regional Media Center has either lost by cancellation or lapse of membership 50 former-member churches, with the biggest drop-off happening in 2018.

The big change from 2017 to 2018 included the loss of our Desert Southwest Conference Member account (they decided to leave it up to each individual local church, whereas previously they were paying on behalf of their churches). Our total income from RMC Memberships in 2017 was \$13,056, and in 2018, it had dropped to \$6,436. In 2019, it was \$5,006.”

So, before this pandemic ever hit us, we were seeing churches make hard financial decisions that affected the Regional Media Center.

Shortly after the pandemic began, we offered to all churches free RMC Membership, to potentially encourage usage, but also because we recognized a need. But the way we gather has changed dramatically, and that changes everything for the RMC.

Primarily, even before the pandemic hit, the practice of churches having in-person small groups was on the decline. Once the pandemic hit us, at least for the first while, those gatherings stopped almost completely. For the Regional Media Center, this impacted us greatly, since many of our offerings are meant for small in-person gatherings around media resources. As an example of how usage has dropped, here is the number of DVD Resources we’ve checked out over time:

- 2009: 538
- 2010: 697
- 2011: 734
- 2012: 777
- 2013: 732

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2014: 606

2015: 357

2016: 270

2017: 159

2018: 150

2019: 110 (in 73 transactions)

2020: 20 (in 20 transactions)

2021: 35 (in 14 transactions)

2022: 15 (in 10 transactions)

2023, so far in only 2 months: 7 (in 7 transactions)

The beginning of 2023 has felt promising, both for how the world feels in general related to COVID, and in how folks are utilizing the RMC. It does feel like things might be starting to swing back up.

And secondly, before the pandemic even hit, the RMC had started to become a knowledge base for copyright information. With my personal experience working in theatres, schools, and churches, I had already been educated in many of the things I needed to know to help folks out in this manner. When the pandemic hit, this became infinitely more important work. As churches began to gather online, they also started falling outside of the Religious Service Exemption Clause of Copyright law, and so that part of the Regional Media Center became a big part of what we do.

We also assist folks to figure out which copyright blanket licenses might work for them. And this ties into the work that we still regularly do and have for some time now. The Regional Media Center handles our Group Copyright Licenses, which are for both our CCLI Basic and Streaming Licenses and for our CVLI Licenses. Our CCLI Licenses cover all churches in the PNW and AK (OR-ID opted out), and our CVLI License is an opt-in program, and we currently cover 49 churches. The CVLI License saves each church that opts-in to it \$125 per year, more than 50% of it's cost as an individual license.

In addition, with my background as a stage technician, a big part of what the RMC does lately is work with churches and their equipment. Whether that be the recommendation of new equipment or helping to guide them in use of equipment they already own. Going online added to complications for most, and things that folks didn't have to pay attention to before (like lighting and sound) were now very important; the need to move online, in many cases, forced folks to use equipment they already had in their church better than they were using it before. Of course, it forced a lot of churches to buy a lot of new equipment also, and we are ready to assist with that in the RMC.

I shouldn't fail to mention that, since 2020, the Regional Media Center website also hosts many valuable online resources. This online media library is regularly used, and we will strive for it to continue to grow.

The Regional Media Center provided equipment for various Conference events throughout the year, from BOOM meetings to Charge conferences. The RMC staff also assisted on events with various outside groups, such as FAN-WA and CWJFON.

Moving forward, we have many projects in the Regional Media Center, especially after receiving a very large donation of resources. Some of those things include transitioning the media in the RMC to begin using the Print room as an additional Resource space, getting rid of VHS tapes, and going through old resources to see if they still have any value.

With your permission, I would like to promote the RMC at AC more than in years past, with a promising beginning to 2023 for resources usage, I feel that this is the time to make a small push.

The nature of work in the Regional Media Center means that we are constantly shifting to best resource churches, and we will continue to adapt as the world shapes around us.

The work of the Regional Media Center has gotten lighter in physical resource checkouts over the pandemic, but only heavier in most other things. There is crucial, Christ-driven work happening all around us, and we enjoy being a part of it.

Ian Patrick McKnight
Regional Medial Center Manager

Archives and History

The conference year 2022 – 2023 has again been a quiet one for the Pacific Northwest United Methodist Church (PNWUMC) archives. A few inquiries into baptismal and marriage records have been able to be researched. A list of pastors assigned to the now closed McCleary Methodist church, requested by the local historical society, was compiled. Archive material has been donated to/received by the archives through the mail. The commission has not met during the year.

This year, at Annual Conference, the commission will present certificates honoring Thomas H. Albright and Richard G. Coghill for the 50th anniversary of their ordination as Elder in The United Methodist Church; and Donald G. Cramer for the 60th anniversary of his ordination as Elder in The Methodist Church. Also, this year will be the One Hundred Fiftieth Annual Session of Churches and Ministry Settings in Washington, Northern Idaho, and British Columbia. Prior to 1874 Methodist Episcopal churches in this area were part of the Oregon Conference, and Methodist Episcopal South churches were part of the Northwest Conference, which included Oregon, Montana, all of Idaho, and Eastern Washington. In September of 1874 the Columbia River Conference met for the first time, composed of M. E. churches from Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, and Northeastern Oregon. The conference headquarters were in The Dalles, Oregon. In 1884, the M. E. churches in Western Washington were split off from the Oregon Conference to form the Puget Sound Conference. In 1929 the Pacific Northwest Conference was formed, composed of M. E. churches in Washington, Alaska, and Northern Idaho, with a “Swedish District” comprised of the Swedish M. E. churches in the Puget Sound, Vancouver/Portland, and Spokane areas.

The official records and archives of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church are located at the conference office in Des Moines, Washington, at The Bridge in Tacoma, Washington, and at Central Church in Richland, Washington.

Rev. William M. Bryan, Jr.
Chair, PNW Commission on Archives and History

Camping Board of Stewards

What We Do

The Camping Board of Stewards (CBS) mission statement is “Forming and renewing spiritual life through gracious hospitality in inspiring places, empowered leadership, effective management and resources, and broad connections.” CBS currently oversees 4 camps in the PNW Conference: Indianola, Lazy F, Ocean Park and Twinlow. We are happy to share some highlights of how we have worked to live into our mission over this past year in hopes that you will feel connected to this mission and ministry.

Formong and renewing spiritual life

We are excited that guest groups are feeling comfortable returning to gathering together at our Camp and Retreat Ministry centers. In 2022 we hosted a total of 14,098 overnight guest stays. This is about 65% of our pre-pandemic utilization, however we are hopeful that 2023 may see pre-pandemic numbers. Usage includes church retreats, special interest groups, personal retreats for pastoral staff as well as hosting a number of groups from outside of the United Methodist church.



In summer of 2022, we offered a total of 51 separate programs over the course of 9 weeks across our camps; serving 1289 campers! For 2023, we have 60 summer events planned.

Gracious hospitality in inspiring places

Twinlow made Newsweek’s list of one of America’s Best Summer Camps of 2023. We believe that all of our summer camps are awesome - and it is great to have this national recognition for one of them!

Our camps are adapting to serve school age children who benefit from the newly approved Outdoor Education for All in Washington State.

The lands and buildings in our care continue to need repairs to keep them safe and renovations the needs of the groups that use them. Current projects and considerations include:

- finishing the renovations of Madrona lodge at Camp Indianola
- renovation and renaming of the “old dining hall” at Lazy F
- updating the bath houses at Ocean Park and Twinlow
- early planning stages of another adult lodge at Twinlow.

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The Doe-Kag-Wats (the marshy land just north of the camp fire pit) have been known to Camp Indianola as a land Sacred to the Suquamish Tribe. The tribe has shown great interest recently in this land as well as other land that used to belong to the Suquamish, which has prompted social justice and land reclamation discussions that are likely to continue and deepen over the next year.

Empowered leadership

We have been very fortunate to have Greg Clensy and his family at Ocean Park. Greg has jumped right in with camp leadership as well as becoming a part of the local community.

Pete Simpson has agreed to stay on through this summer as interim director at Indianola - we will be looking for a new director soon.

We are thrilled that Kristen (Moonie) Moon and Dave Burfeind continue to serve at Twinlow and Lazy F, and that Alan Rogstad continues to support all of our camps as the Executive Director.

This year, Rick Sperry will be stepping in as Chairperson for CBS as Sandi rotates off the board.

Effective management and resources and broad connections

Overall, our camps are in relatively good shape financially due to careful attention to expenses and the final benefits from COVID benefits.

In 2022, the balance of the dining hall loan was reduced from \$738,973 to \$283,114, as a result of the "Debt Reduction Plan". This represents a huge savings in interest paid on this loan as well as putting Lazy F on a trajectory to retire the loan much sooner than expected.

CBS is actively updating strategic planning for our Camping and Retreat Ministry as we continue to evaluate and respond to how we can be the best stewards of the camps we are charged to manage.

Our greatest resource is YOU - the people of the United Methodist Conference who uphold Camp and Retreat Ministries by their prayers, their presence, their gifts and their service. It is not too late! Several of the camps are still looking for volunteers for a variety of positions at our summer camps. If you are looking for something to fill your spirit, remind you of the wonder of God's glorious creation, an opportunity to connect with and make the difference in a child's life, or just for a fun change of pace - please contact any one of our camp directors to get connected.

Sandi Miller

Chairperson, Camping Board of Stewards

Board of Church and Society

Meetings of the board were held by Zoom to address current justice and societal issues that were and continue to be top priorities previously identified by the board. These included poverty, climate change and care, health, peace, racism, civil and human rights. The board has spent significant time discussing creation care and intends to pursue this area vigorously in the coming year plus.

Homelessness has been a growing concern for persons throughout Washington State and Northern Idaho in addition to United Methodists, including Lutheran organizations. As we note the leadership given to this concern by the Faith Action Network, we note how collaboration on this issue and others is needed and a coordinated effort through FAN is not only possible, but desired. We are highly interested in exploring how to combine energies to be involved in the creation justice movement

We lift up the work of FAN positively and invite our congregations to become knowledgeable of their critical, effective advocacy work through FAN at the Washington state legislature. Our Conference strongly contributes funding to FAN and has an active presence on its advisory committee. Several board members already attend the annual Interfaith Advocacy Day in Olympia and members of our churches have been encouraged to attend.

The CBCS has also pursued awareness and action to address systemic racism in our society. We are aware of and positive note that a number of our congregations have been actively involved in group discussions of white supremacy through book discussions and have expressed the necessity of addressing racism at the root of the increasing number of deaths of persons of color in America. We value the work of the General Board of Church and Society as an invaluable resource to not only our board, but as an active presence in society and our denomination in revealing and addressing the negative ways that racism is a root cause of violence perpetrated upon African American, Native American, and Asian American members of our society. We seek to find collaborative ways to effectively work together to eliminate racism as we know it now. We must learn, listen, and act to address root causes of violence and prejudice. We call upon all members of our Conference ministries and churches to act through affirmation of our faith and call to justice as shown through the person, ministry and example of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

We applaud collaboration to address injustice not only through FAN but also within our structures such as the recently renamed United Methodist Women, now called United Women of Faith. We cherish the interface of representatives of the PNW UWF as members of our Board who seek to work together as organizations committed to faith and justice.

We warmly welcome Jackie Celin as a committed United Methodist assigned by the GBCS to work with our board as a presence and link between the general church and our Conference. Jackie is GBCS's Theological Intern from our Conference and an active justice advocate who attends First UMC of Seattle. As an effort to increase communication

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and awareness of issues of injustice in our society the CBCS has continued to urge each of our Conference local congregations to elect a member to serve as its social justice advocate and contact person and identified in its annual charge conference reporting process.

We give thanks for the many congregations and individuals who have pursued peace and justice as part of their ministry in community and through the connections of the United Methodist Church. As Covid 19 has created challenges for some of the board's programs in the past year, we intend to resume making awards to persons embodying the spirit and ministry of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and congregations offering outstanding ministries of peace and justice.

Jim Davis
Vice Chair and Convenor Pro Temp

Ethnic Ministries Report

I am happy to report on behalf of the Commission on Ethnic Ministry (COEM) of the PNW Conference. The COEM successfully supported and created vital ministries, and it was well on its way into programming amid the second year of the pandemic when I became the chair. With my transition geographically which included time zone changes, we were challenged with coordinating our calendars, but we stayed connected. Below are a couple of highlights from the projects for this past conference year.

Christmas Institute

The Christmas Institute is a thriving ministry of the conference, comprised of Filipino-American and Filipino- Canadian youth and young adult campers. The institute was able to return to in-person gathering and they had a meaningful fellowship. The cost of the in-person gathering doubled and COEM was able to provide a generous grant for the institute in 2022.

Facing the Future 2022

COEM was able to generously support all CRCC ministers in the Greater Northwest by paying the registration fees for our clergy to attend GCORR’s Facing the Future virtual conference. Facing the Future is designed to resource ministers serving Cross-Racial Cross-Cultural appointments.



Due to transitions, we postponed the winter retreat and are planning an in-person event this upcoming summer. We received positive feedback about the virtual minister’s retreat and are responding to the request for a summer fellowship from participants of the virtual retreat who completed the survey.

Here’s a reminder of last year’s event: The minister’s retreat met for the first time since March 2020, which was the onset of the pandemic. We held a virtual retreat, and the PNW COEM extended the invitation to the Greater Northwest Area. The retreat was spiritual and informative, and the ethnic ministers reconnected and made new connections during the one-day event. The attendance was robust. The COEM provided significant funding for the event and was able to provide swag gift bags to all the active Ethnic Ministers in the Greater Northwest as an expression of mutual care and compassion.

COEM is committed to providing mutual care and compassion to our ethnic clergy by offering opportunities for fellowship, storytelling, education, and financial assistance. We welcome ideas from ethnic ministers about future programming that COEM can provide.

Rev. Dr. Troy Lynn Carr
Chair, PNW Commission on Ethnic Ministry

Faith Foundation

Greetings from Faith Foundation Northwest!

Although 2022 brought us a bear market, we saw unprecedented growth in our stock gifts program, and received more deposits than withdrawals from our partners in ministry. We also strengthened our internal accounting systems. We remain financially strong even as our assets under management fluctuate with the market. As long term investors, we trust that the market will reward our patience. Over the course of our organization’s history, this has always been the case.

2023 is a year of transition at the Foundation. Bob Ives, who has served as president of our Board since 2013, turns his role over to Dr. LaVerne Lewis. Tom Wilson, who has served as Executive Director of the Foundation since 1991, turns his role over to Julia Frisbie. LaVerne and Julia are already known and respected throughout the area we serve, and they will be supported by Bob and Tom through the transition and beyond. We anticipate no interruptions to the Foundation’s ministry. We give thanks for the gift of leadership, both that which brought us to this point, and that which will take us forward.

Our mission to support the long-term financial health of faith communities remains unchanged. Email staff@faith.foundation or call 1(800)488-4179 if your church could benefit from socially responsible financial management, church loans, endowment consultation, stock gift pass-throughs, or planned giving education. In faith and gratitude, we will continue to steward God’s gifts to serve all of God’s people.

Statement of Financial Position

	2022 Un-Audited*	2021 Audited
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3,234,575.22	3,735,308.00
Marketable Securities	70,984,827.32	83,247,876.00
Loans Receivable	2,589,851.17	3,395,791.13
Property Held	124,000.00	124,000.00
Office Furnishings, net of dep	1,403.83	2,272.75
Accrued Interest	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	76,934,657.54	90,505,247.88
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	1,462.41	800.66
Accrued Liabilities	14,250.00	14,250.00
Due to Others	68,144,670.57	78,980,245.90
Gift Annuities	472,645.14	660,109.89
Managed Trusts	723,369.29	1,313,467.63

TOTAL LIABILITIES	69,356,397.41	80,968,874.08
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	2,195,110.44	2,712,687.00
Temporarily Restricted	421,909.50	564,179.73
Permanently Restricted	4,961,240.19	6,259,507.07
TOTAL NET ASSETS	7,578,260.13	9,536,373.80
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	76,934,657.54	90,505,247.88

Partnerships across the Northwest



*Audited 2022 financials will be available by request upon their publication in mid-2023.

Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson, *Executive Director*

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The Conference Board of Global Ministries is a program committee, the Mission ‘arm’ of our conference. The Board consists of representatives from many areas of activity. Mission is what helps our churches to grow and reach out to others, often in coordination with the other conferences in our Greater NW Episcopal Area. We are the United Methodist Church in action! All programming and spending is done with the question: “How does this educate, enable, and empower the local church to be in mission?”

Our work is focused into two main areas: Disaster Response, which will include Connecting Neighbors, Emergency Response and UM Volunteers in Mission; and Mission Involvement, Leadership and Training, including the work of the Conference Mission Secretary, Hispanic Ministries, Global Mission Fellows, and our collaboration with UMW such as Mission u. In addition to the programming, our budget provides money from apportionments to support: Justice for our Neighbors, Tacoma Community House and Atlantic Street Center:

PNW Conference Disaster Response, 2022 Accomplishments - Dana & Kathy Bryson

Response Coordinator Highlights

2022 was a turning point in returning to in field service missions. Disaster response volunteers traveled to Alaska, Kentucky, Maryland and served within the Conference in multiple ways. The new normal including virtual meetings that allowed PNW Conference disaster response leadership and UMCOR to serve three long term recovery groups through funding, training and mentoring. We see this trend continuing as the frequency and intensity of natural disasters continues to grow.

- On invitation and behalf of United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), Kathy and Dana deployed to Hazard, Kentucky for three weeks in August as UMCOR mentors for the Central Appalachian Conference (formerly the Red Bird Missional Conference) and Disaster Response Coordinator in response to the East Kentucky flooding in the Appalachian areas. They served as interim ERT Coordinators leading logistics discussions with eight Eastern Kentucky churches for potential team housing; interfaced with multiple Kentucky disaster response and relief organizations; engaged and represented UMCOR capabilities with six developing long term recovery groups (LTRGs); started the UMCOR Case Work and Disaster Case Manager concepts with the Conference and each of the LTRGs; mentored the UMCOR recovery grant processes with the Conference leadership and Disaster Response Coordinator.
- Facilitated the deployment of a two-person, highly experienced PNW ERT assessment team that spent seven days in the Alaska villages of Hooper Bay and Chevak evaluating property damage as a result of September’s Typhoon Merbok. The team created, with assistance from an Alaska State representative, an “AppSheet” application then populated it with photos, location and detailed damage information of the affected homes in both villages to support future recovery teams. They

also developed detailed materials and tools list that the State of Alaska and Alaska VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) used for subsequent supplies acquisition to support repair activities.

- Successfully re-launched the PNW Conference ERT mission through an eight-member ERT serving in Whatcom County on June 25-29 assessing, cleaning/hauling debris and “mold fogging” for an at-risk neighborhood impacted by the November 2021 floods.
- Developed a protocol to blend Early Response Team (ERT)-qualified and temporarily qualified “ERT Volunteers” to facilitate a broader and more diverse participation in disaster response missions.
- Requalified both PNW and OR-ID Conference ERTs during a December 7 cross-Conference remote four-hour ERT UMCOR recertification class.
- Reached out to multiple UMC pastors in September that were affected by active wildfires with information on how to be a cooling/respite center plus providing fan filter kit instructions.
- Represented the PNWUMC Disaster Response mission and volunteer opportunities at the Washington State Veterans Service Fair on May 21 (photo) interfacing with active and retired military members along with their families.
- Attended the May week-long National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD) 2022 Conference in Baltimore, MD along with 700 other member organizations and participants. They interfaced with leadership from multiple faith-based organizations and government agencies, including Mennonite Disaster Services, World Renew, Adventist Disaster Assistance, FEMA Region 9 and 10 Voluntary Agency Liaisons and Washington State Emergency Management Division representatives.
- Washington State Congressman Dan Newhouse recognized Kathy on the U.S. House of Representatives floor as one of three outstanding women leaders from Central Washington in a salute for her United Methodist Church disaster response volunteer efforts during March’s Women’s History Month: Rep. Newhouse Honors Central Washington Women in Recognition of Women’s History Month - YouTube
- Participated in the District Superintendent disaster response orientation during the May GNW Cabinet meeting.
- Participated in the Idaho Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (IDAVOAD) August 15 all-day Multi Agency Response Center planning exercise. She will represent the only faith-based volunteer organization during this exercise.



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Long Term Recovery

Okanogan County (September 2020 wildfires)

- Managed \$333,000 in UMCOR Wildfire Rebuild Grant funds and \$60,000 in PNW conference Disaster funds to support wildfire survivor recovery. A total of \$238,351 was spent in 2022.
- Actively participated in the Unmet Needs Roundtable to support 203 survivor families through the Okanogan County Long Term Recovery Group.
- Thanks to the UMCOR/PNW Conference funding along with multiple United Methodist Volunteer in Mission teams, four homes were rebuilt for survivors with an additional four homes under construction.

Pine Creek Community Restoration (September 2020 wildfire)

- Seven UMCOR-trained disaster case managers took the case management process to closure in June after 18 months of serving 34 survivor families displaced or impacted by the 2020 Babb Road Fire. PNW Conference funds, combined with a 2020 UMCOR Solidarity Grant, brought the total to almost \$25,000 to support the case management process, survivor unmet needs, relief supplies and facilitated six “volunteer-build homes” that were completed late Spring.

Whatcom County 2021 Flood Recovery

- Survivor recovery efforts ramped up early in the year thanks to the efforts of 13 UMCOR-trained Disaster Case Managers serving over 600 survivor families.
- A \$100,000 recovery grant to the PNW Conference was awarded in September to support more than 575 survivor families. An additional \$10,000 in matching PNW Conference Disaster Response donated funds plus the initial UMCOR Solidarity Grant, brings the total to \$120,000 directed towards recovery support, construction supplies and survivor unmet needs.

Other Highlights

- The PNW Disaster Response Regional Supplies and Storage mission continued to expand with eight churches now serving as relief supply storage centers (photo is at the Mt Vernon UMC center).
- PNW Disaster Response/UMCOR continues an active high profile among disaster-related volunteer organizations as Kathy continues her second year serving as Vice President of the Washington Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (WaVOAD).
- She also continues to serve as Co-Chair of the PNW Conference Board of Global Ministries.

Mission u 2022 - Carol Mariano, Dean

The transition to holding Mission u in Yakima at Wesley UMC went smoothly and seemed to be a great move. Participants stayed in motels close to the church so they could

be transported easily to the classes and events that were all at the church. There were 68 adults, six children, and two youth, for a total of 76 participants. A Zoom option covering the plenary sessions was also available, but we don't know how many took advantage of that.

The theme, "Who Can We Be Together: Building Communities of Hope and Joy," was presented in three adult classes lead by Yvonne Agduyeng, Ron and Lois Hines and Nica Sy. Youth leaders were Golden Neal and Danielle Ramsay. The children's program was led by Sue and Terry Raymond and Lyn Rush. The music team included John and Gloria Go and Cheryl Dyson. A major element of the presentations this year was the name and logo change of United Methodist Women. Their new name is United Women In Faith.

Hands-on mission projects were well attended. More than 200 Freedom Kits for Girls were made to be delivered to the Philippines. Several people braved the hot afternoon temperatures to help sort contributions to the Wesley UMC recycling center. Others made sandwiches for a feeding program.

When Dean Carol Mariano was rushed to the hospital in Yakima for a three day stay the night before Mission u was to begin, Assistant Dean Marilyn Reid stepped to run the program. Wesley UMC Pastor Shane Moore and the church staff were very helpful and hospitable and invited Mission u to return next year, July 21-23, 2023.

Conference Mission Secretary Of Global Ministries - Marilyn Sanchez Reid

As the mission and humanitarian assistance agency of The United Methodist Church, Global Ministries leads The United Methodist Church in equipping, strengthening and transforming people and communities for God's mission around the world. In its work of making disciples for Jesus Christ, Global Ministries envisions and facilitates mission so that churches and faith communities grow and flourish; justice, freedom, peace, health and well-being prevail across racial, cultural, national and political boundaries; and people of all faiths live in dignity and security, even when they face humanitarian disasters and aftermath.

Through mission, The United Methodist Church realizes its greatest unity through mission and being in mission together, society achieves its greatest potential.

The Conference Board of Global Ministries is a program committee, the Mission 'arm' of our conference, and consists of representatives from many areas of activity. Mission is what helps our churches grow and reach out to others. This may be local, conference wide, jurisdiction wide, or globally. All programming and spending is done with the question: "How does this educate, enable, and empower the local church to be in mission?" We are humbled by all the ways churches serve in the community, be it local or global. Through feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, making quilts, helping local families repair or build their homes, cleaning yards for the elderly, serving as disaster shelters – or gathering socks, hats and mittens for those who are cold, traveling with mission teams, or advocating for those with no voice – we are the United Methodist Church in action!

Conference Secretaries for Global Ministries from the Western Jurisdiction gathered

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together February 28-March 1, in Mill Valley, California, along with Cal-Nev Conference and Global Ministries staff members. Thanks for the technology and was able to attend in zoom while I was in the Philippines. The Conference Secretary for Global Ministries (CSGM) are lay and clergy who promote relationships between annual conferences and Global Ministries. The CSGM has the important role of educating, connecting, and partnering with local churches to share information about missionaries and mission projects through the General Board of Global Ministries. The goal of the relationships is to garner support through prayer, emotional support, and donations. Global Ministries is the United Methodist Church's Mission Agency which focuses on four main areas: missionaries, global health, United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), and evangelism and church growth.

Topics Covered in the Retreat Included:

- Missio Dei (Latin for Mission of God) is invitational, God invites the church to be in mission and ministry as part of God's work in this world.
- Recognizing churches for their ongoing support is an important element in mission education.
- CSGMs are most successful when working on conference wide committees or task force.
- Supporters of Global Ministries make an incredible difference in the lives of people living in locations all over the world.
- Covenant Partnership is a powerful way local churches can be invited into arelationship with a missionary.

CSGMs are currently working on missionary itineration. There are over 40 missionaries from Global Ministries traveling to the United States to connect and to share with the local churches this year. This year Katherine Parker from Nepal will be here in July and one of the adult study leaders for mission u, Joy Prim from Hongkong in April, Helen Camarce in Cambodia in June. I also met Ronald Julian missionary in Japan and his wife Debbie in the Philippines.

Board of Laity

There are several trends occurring within the Pacific Northwest Conference over the last several years. The COVID Pandemic has temporarily closed many churches to in-person worship transitioning to a variety of technological options, Zoom, and other formats. While laity, for a time, lost the personal gathering, they have gained skills in using the technology to connect online. A new skill was needed from each congregation to manage the sound, visuals, and video of online worship. Choirs have reconvened, and churches are coming alive again. While online worship was vital during the isolation, it has introduced the blended worship concept ushering in a new way of doing church.

Disaffiliation has dominated the conversation in the UMC for the last 5 years. Congregations are now discerning whether the UMC is the right place for them. This liminal time has us all, clergy and laity, waiting to see the outcome.

Many churches have experienced a loss of members, financial restraints, reduction from full time pastors to part time, and the increased use of Certified Lay Ministers and Lay Lead Churches. While change is constant, the last few years have been uniquely intense.

While the Board of Laity has little impact on the financial or disaffiliation issues, we can focus on the role and capacity of laity. Several developments are underway including the establishment of the Conference Committee on Certified Lay Ministries led by the Rev. Kathy Neary. This team is made up of clergy and laity to revive both Certified Lay Ministers and Certified Lay Servant Leadership. John Townsend, the Inland District Lay Leader has been assigned to work with Kathy to build this team and Andy O'Donnell our new Associate Lay Leader is focusing on laity leadership development, encouraging learning both on and off the certification path. This effort is building a learning network within the Greater Northwest and the Western Jurisdiction to share training and learning resources.

There have been several changes on the Board. First is the stepping down of Angelina Goldwell the Associate Lay Leader of the conference and the election of Andy O'Donnell, the Sea Tac District Lay leader into the Associate Lay Leader of the Conference. We are also pleased to welcome Billie Fitzsimmons as the 7 Rivers District Lay Leader and Lyn Rush, sharing leadership of the Coast to Crest district. We also welcome Deb Avery as the new chair from United Women of Faith. It's a dynamic team committed to the continuous development of Laity.

Of significant note is the continuance of the SeaTac District networking meeting for Sea Tac Congregational Lay Leaders. This has become a valued and strong network that gathers to learn and share with one another. We are hoping to spread this program to other districts. Also, as cluster ministries are forming in our two eastern districts, it opens a chance for church lay leaders to step into a new partnership with clergy.

Nancy Tam Davis
PNW Conference Lay Leader

United Women in Faith

Moving into our Future with a “New Normal”

Impact...Influence...Inspire

During 2022 we continued to launch into our new branding...United Women in Faith. There has been so much “thinking outside the box” to continue to connect women of faith in their various passions and callings to make an impact in our world, provide leadership opportunities to assure ongoing diversity within our organization and to inspire women in their own spiritual journey. We have branched out in programming and learning opportunities such as “Faith Talks”; “Voices from the Field”; Mighty Networks; online “Author Talks” which are only some of the ways we, as United Women in Faith, are able to expand our concepts of Mission, Faith Development, Supportive Community and Educating for the Transformation of our world. We were so thrilled to, once again, hold our Cooperative Mission event in person as we gathered at Wesley UMC in Yakima in July. We held class sessions for adults, children and youth and we were also able to participate in some “hands on community mission work” that Wesley UMC is involved within their community. The Conference officers were also able to gather in person at “Lazy F” in April 2022 for planning and sharing.



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Reading Program 2022

One of the many ways that education for transformation is impacted is by our United Women in Faith Reading Program. Books selected cover the categories of Leadership Development, Nurturing Community, Mission Education, Social Action, Spiritual Growth and includes books for children and youth. For 2022, throughout our conference it was reported that a total of 129 readers read a total of 650 books. There have been a variety of formats of book studies both in person and via zoom, as well as participation in Author Talks through National Division.

Mission Giving

Through our Five Channels of Mission Giving (Pledge, Thank Offering, Mission Recognition, Gift and Memory, Gift in Mission) our National Organization of United Women in Faith supports over 226 programs in 34 countries with 121 mission institutions within the United States. In 2022 our total mission giving amounted to \$78,225.56.

The Pacific Northwest United Women in Faith Endowment Fund

Established in 1997 the total fund balance is now \$93,000.25 thanks to generous donors. The interest is used for scholarships and special grants. Since January 2019 funds are invested in a Diversified Moderate Portfolio.

Legacy Fund

This fund is an investment (managed by Wespeth) to assure ongoing leadership development for the organization of United Women in Faith. A highlight for building this fund is our Annual Day of Giving on March 23. This honors the original date that a small group of women gathered in 1869 to plan to financially support women missionaries. Donations are received to honor and memorialize, and included in planned giving by individuals who believe in our Purpose of Mission and Ministry with Women, Children and Youth for the next 150 years! In 2022 our donation from Pacific Northwest United Women in Faith was \$1331.65. Many of our sisters attended Assembly 2022 in Orlando and one of the highlights was being able to attend the Legacy Banquet at which our beloved, Noriko Lao, was honored.

Mission Agencies

The Atlantic Street Center in Seattle and Tacoma Community House are the two national mission institutes in the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference. Both receive support from United Women in Faith throughout the conference and National Division. We have representatives from our Pacific Northwest United Women in Faith working with both national mission institutions in various ways. Our conference also helped with financial support for a project called: La Posada Providencia. This is emergency living quarters being constructed on the Texas/Mexican border for migrants coordinated by Cindy Andrade Johnson.

The Conference UMW Annual Meeting

This was held on October 15, 2022, via zoom with a theme of climate care. I was elected to serve as president at this meeting and I have been able to attend a variety of planning meetings of various committees of our conference and look forward to moving into our future to assure that we continue to be open to our Creator’s Call of direction for our organization.

Deb Avery,
President, PNW United Women in Faith

Innovation and Vitality

Statement of the Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality

On May 10, 2022, Bishop Elaine JW Stanovsky announced that I would step into the role of Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality for the Greater Northwest Area (GNW Area) of The UMC, leading the work of the Innovation Vitality Team (IV Team). In my 20+ years as a conference staff member, I have led or intersected the work of congregational development and renewal, even as I honed skills to support our Episcopal area in valuing and practicing intercultural competency. For many years, I have believed that the work of inclusion is foundational to birthing new expressions of faith in the Wesleyan tradition and supporting our existing congregations to better engage their ministry contexts. Too often, the demographics around our churches change and too often, our congregations do not reflect those changes.

The IV Team posits that the practice of inclusion is foundational to our relevance in the world, and is theologically grounded. If we are better able to be in relationship with our neighbors, we will find the spark that God is tending in our various contexts, and join with God in fanning the flame that can enliven our work inside and outside of our church buildings. This is the movement of inclusion, innovation, and multiplication that you have heard me speak about in the past.

The team is smaller, comprising 3 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions, down from a height of 5.5 FTE. For these last months, I have tended the important administrative and relational issues that had to be cared for as we moved into the next iteration of IV work. Honestly, it has taken longer than I expected. But I think we are in a good place now to advance this work.

Please pray with me that our efforts are pleasing to God, and that they bear good fruit.

Kristina Gonzalez
Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality

(Inclusion) If **WE** - our ministries, leaders and members - become more interculturally competent, then we will learn to welcome, include and partner with diverse neighbors.

(Innovation) If **WE** reach out to our neighbors with more openness to encounter what God is doing there and join or create the spark that comes at the intersection of difference - if we innovate - then

(Multiplication) **WE** will engage more new people, and multiply our impact through new relationships, partnerships, opportunities, and expressions, following the example of Jesus.

2022 Summary

GNW Area Innovation Projects

Below is a list of projects active in 2022. While under the care of the GNW IV Team, the projects are funded by their respective conference boards. Those boards are Vitality Team (VT) in Alaska; Congregational Development Team (CDT) in Oregon-Idaho; and Board of Congregational Development (BOCD) in Pacific Northwest. While the boards have responsibility for funding, the GNW Area Cabinet has responsibility for discerning and deploying leaders. The Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality serves on the GNW Area Cabinet.

Most projects were funded on a 5-year cycle that looks like a bell curve, with lesser funding in years 1 and 2 and the highest level of funding allocated in Year 3. The funding declines sharply in Years 4 and 5. This places significant stress on leaders (planter/innovators) as they must develop external sources of revenue to sustain the new ministry beyond Year 3, when the most significant allocation is distributed. Most projects have had difficulty garnering enough outside support by Year 3. Evaluation of this model is a top priority for 2023.

COVID took a significant toll on the projects and planters. Many were poised to move forward with their visions when COVID hit, restricting the relational aspects of new ministry work. The funding boards in all conferences modified their allocations somewhat to acknowledge the ways that COVID slowed progress. For the projects that were in their highest funding year (Year 3) in 2021-2022, the boards requested self-evaluations of the projects and, in most cases, granted Year 3-level funding (highest level) in Year 4. This relieved some pressure on planters; however, these planters are about to enter Year 5, and the drop in funding is significant.

For those projects that lived through the pandemic but were not in Year 3 of their funding cycle, the boards worked together to develop the Pivot Grant program. Pivot grants were to provide some support to mitigate for the effects of COVID for the projects that were in Year 4 or 5 of their funding cycle.

In all cases, the allocations on the table below include modifications to funding based on pandemic relief or other significant changes in the projects. If projects were extended beyond year 5, you will see that indicated in the column titled Project Year.

We celebrate that two projects moved into ‘multiplication’ status in 2022. These projects are Valley & Mountain in the SeaTac District and First United Methodist Church of Canada in the Puget Sound District, both in PNW. These projects are multiplying their reach, and warranted additional funding to expand.

It takes courage to do something new. According to church planting literature, most church planting efforts fail. We are blessed with planters who are resilient and able; even then, not all ideas take hold. We, as an institution have had mixed success in offering supportive structures and resources to aid these efforts. Please pray for these ongoing planting efforts and for the leaders that commit to them.

REPORTS

Project Name	Planter(s)/Innovator(s)	Year Initiated	Project Year*	Funding 2022	Status
Alaska					
Every Nation	Murray Crookes	2018	Yr 4-5	\$98,624	Continuing beyond IV with Alaska special funding
Oregon-Idaho					
Southeast Portland Parish	Eilidh Lowery	2017	Yr 5+	\$8,700	Continuing with Sellwood Community
Great Spirit UMC	Allen Buck	2017	Yr 5+	\$30,000	Continuing as Great Spirit and Circle of Indigenous Ministries
Storydwelling	Erika Spaet	2017	Yr 5+	\$45,000	Continuing beyond IV with ecumenical partners & potential O-I support
Bold New Season/Wesley UMC	Nicole Berry	2018	Yr 4-5	\$50,000	Continuing
Twin Falls UMC	Buddy Gharring	2018	Yr 4-5	\$25,000	Continuing
Portland Multicultural HUB-Cultural Soul Project	Daymond Glenn	2019	Yr 3-4	\$280,500	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
Sunnyside/Groves	Sunia Gibbs	2019	Yr 3-4	\$46,900	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
Beloved Community PDX	Karen Ward	2019	Yr 3-4	\$100,000	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
East Portland New Start	Nicholle Ortiz and Forrest Nameniuk	2019	Yr 3-4	\$100,000	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
Formerly Parkrose	Andru Morgan and Regina Morgan	2019	Yr 3-4	\$100,000	Includes COVID relief. Closed. Ministries continue as non-profits.
Wakeup Beaverton	Jefferson Chao	2019	Yr 3-4	\$100,000	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
Storyline	Anna Hoesly	2021	Yr 1-2	\$20,000	Continuing. Ecumenical partnership
Coburg Commons	Brandon Rhodes	2022	Yr 1	\$47,000	Continuing
Central OR Connectional Ministry (grant)	Jill Plant	NA	NA	\$6,000	Continuing
Total Project Funding O-I				\$959,100	

*The project year is typically July-June, matching the appointment year. Disbursements are reported on a calendar year; therefore, projects typically span two project years.

Project Name	Planter(s)/Innovator(s)	Year Initiated	Project Year*	Funding 2022	Status
Pacific Northwest					
Sunnyside Hispanic	Joel Rodriguez	2017	Yr 5+	\$30,000	Continuing. Delayed due to immigration
Redeemer UMC	Shelia Marie	2016	Yr 5+	\$46,750	Continuing
Creators' Table	Katy Shedlock	2017	Yr 5+	\$48,000	Continuing. Includes sustaining grant. Ecumenical partnership
Steamboat Island New Start Fellowship	Heather Sparkman	2018	Yr 4-5	\$35,000	Subsumed by Olympia First
Better Together	Kate Kilroy	2018	Yr 4-5	\$50,000	Continuing
Squamish Fellowship	Norman Feliciano	2018	Yr 4-5	\$35,000	Continuing as part of First UMC of Canada Multisite (see below)
Tacoma First Multicultural HUB	Shalom Agtarap	2019	Yr 3-4	\$161,000	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
Orting Repurpose	Alexa Eisenbarth	2019	Yr 3-4	\$25,000	Closed. Recovery Café continues as non-profit
Seattle Creative Communities	Danielle Elliott	2019	Yr 3-4	\$125,000	Includes COVID relief. Continuing
ACTS On Stage Multicultural HUB	Michelle Lang-Raymond	2020	Yr 2-3	\$205,000	Continuing
South Park Neighborhood Church	Maria-José (Coté) Soerens	2020	Yr 2-3	\$107,650	Continuing
Yesler Neighborhood New Project	Troy Lynn Carr/Caleb Encinas	2020	Yr 2-3	\$90,772	Continuing
Vashon UMC Vitality Project	Mark Wagner	2021	Yr 1-2	\$37,500	Continuing
First UMC of Canada Multisite	Norman Feliciano	2022	Yr 1 of 5	\$65,000	Multiplication Project
Valley & Mountain Theologian in Residence	Osagyefo Sekou	2020	Yr 2-3	\$118,500	Continuing
Valley & Mountain Multiplication	Osagyefo Sekou	2022	Yr 1 of 3	\$333,334	Multiplication Project
Latinx: Mt. Vernon First UMC	Zulma Tifre	2022	Yr 1	\$12,500	Continuing
Total Project Funding PNW				\$1,526,006	

**The project year is typically July-June, matching the appointment year. Disbursements are reported on a calendar year; therefore, projects typically span two project years.*

Some Highlights

Below are highlights of innovation projects that have been the subjects of recent news coverage. They represent the practices of inclusion, innovation and multiplication, lived out in their unique contexts. We celebrate these plants and planters, and all who make their ministry possible among us.

- Storydwelling (Bend, OR) – Rev. Erika Spaet and her team received a \$350K grant from Deschutes County to expand the childcare cooperative that grew out of the Storydwelling faith community. ReVillage addresses the economic stresses of living in Bend, OR. The childcare cooperative serves mostly middle-income families with young children who could not afford or could not find options for infant and toddler care. Pastor Erika spends significant time supporting ReVillage, which may become a social enterprise aspect of Pastor Erika's ministry. A social enterprise is a for-profit or non-profit venture that has a positive impact on the community and may be mutually beneficial to the ministry from which it is birthed. ReVillage is committed to advocating for equity in childcare, and will expand soon to a second location. Storydwelling is a joint ministry of UMC and Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Check out the [story](#) by Kristen Caldwell.
- First United Methodist Church of Canada Multisite –First UMC of Canada Multisite supports four sites with average worship attendance of 230 persons, under the leadership of Rev. Norman Feliciano. The ministry was known as 'Samahan' when it was birthed at the request of Filipino-Canadians in the early 2000s. Attendance is growing steadily. Pastor Norman is expanding the leadership team for each site while keeping the sites connected across the Greater Vancouver BC metropolitan area. As an ordained elder in the Middle Philippines Annual Conference, Pastor Norman came out of a tradition of church planting. The project is one of two 'multiplication' projects, where a single project multiplies beyond its original vision and often with additional sites. GNW News interviewed Pastor Norman recently and expanded this [story](#).
- Every Nation (Anchorage, Alaska) – Rev. Murray Crookes is an Alaska Native and provisional elder who has been approved for ordination at the 2023 PNW annual conference. Pastor Murray returned to Alaska after finishing his seminary education. Having spent much of his childhood away from traditional community, Pastor Murray cultivated relationships with Alaska Native siblings on his return to Anchorage and sensed a call to minister in this context. Every Nation has a small worshipping community that meets on Sundays and a larger community that gathers for meals on Tuesday evenings. COVID might have closed this relational ministry had it not been for the creativity of Pastor Murray and his community. UMC News Service visited Alaska recently and interviewed Pastor Murray about his ministry. We celebrate that Every Nation continues with the support of the Alaska Vitality and Leadership Teams. Here is their [story](#).

We have many stories to tell! We are beginning to work closely with our GNW Communicators to offer these stories as inspiration for our common work and for connection with the planters and projects. Watch for more opportunities in the coming months.

Administrative Modifications

Over these past months, the team has prioritized administrative issues that have drawn precious time from the central work of resourcing existing congregations, new starts, and planters. Managing the differences in policies and procedures across conferences has siphoned precious time from important work. The IV Team represents an experiment in area-wide work. Like every experiment, we discover the difficulties, roadblocks, and systems modifications necessary to do the work with transparency, efficiency, and effectiveness.

In the last 11 months, the IV Team has prioritized the following:

- **Funding Model:** Staff and funding boards are beginning to assess the efficacy of the 5 Year funding model from financial and programmatic perspectives to inform future project support (length of support and distribution).
- **Fiscal Management of Projects:** In 2023, the conference treasurers agreed to act as fiscal agents for the projects and planters until they have developed adequate administrative structures (congregation or non-profit). Centralizing the fiscal agent work allows for consistency in administration and ease in problem-solving.
- **Personnel:** Planters, IV Team and district superintendents are now supported by an HR professional who is working across the area. This support is invaluable and ensures accurate and timely support for HR issues, whether they be salary and benefits related or relational.
- **Relationship:** IV Team has prioritized intentional listening to planters, often in the company of their district superintendent and a member of the appropriate funding board. Exit interviews have given us important information for building or rebuilding relationships moving forward.
- **Funding Boards:** IV Team has worked closely with funding boards in providing appropriate information for transparency in decision-making, and in providing greater access of boards to planters and planters to boards.
- **Area-wide Initiative:** Funding boards collaborated to develop the Pivot Grant program. This was the first collaborative effort of funding boards in developing a common strategy and process across the area. Many thanks to the funding boards for taking this step into area-wide strategy and programming. The funding boards made their decisions separately, but the funding criteria and application were developed in common.
- **Project Development:** As we move forward, the IV Team is front-loading project planning and support of planters.
- **Budgeting and Financial Management:** The financial support for projects in the Oregon-Idaho and PNW Conferences comes from the sales of closed church properties. The Alaska Conference has established funds that support this work. While some sources of income are common, the ways these funds are administered differ among conferences. Oregon-Idaho funding is subject to market fluctuations. This became clear as the economy dipped in late 2022. In the next few months, we

will work across the area to ensure that funds committed for personnel (planters and staff), are insulated from market swings, and that reserves are identified appropriate to this purpose. This discussion will be important across the area, but particularly in the Oregon-Idaho Conference. As staffing and programmatic expenses are shared area-wide, diminished funding capacity in any one conference limits the staffing and programmatic capacity of all. It is for this reason that staffing will remain at its current level for the foreseeable future. When funding is replenished, it will be appropriate to develop a staffing model that meets the future needs.

Hope and Grace

Ultimately, the work of innovation and vitality is about culture change – culture change that compels us to engage our context as Jesus engaged his context. Jesus’ modeling requires that we engage in equity; be willing to allow our differences to inform our creativity; and partner with others in ways that multiply our reach. As Wesleyan Christians, we do this as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ to make positive and lasting change in the world. As Methodists, we must pay attention to the systems we are creating such that they are methodical and flexible; relational and accountable; challenging and supportive. This is our work as we hone this system, and as we look to sustainability of new faith community development and congregational renewal.

Many thanks to all – past and present – who pray for and support this work.

Kristina Gonzalez, *Executive Director for Innovation and Vitality on behalf of the IV Team*,

Rev. Dr. Jess Bielman, *Associate Director of Innovation for an Engaged Church*

Mr. Patrick Ferguson, *Administrative Coordinator for IV Team*

Vitality Commission

The Report, A Plain Account of the Strategy, Work and Processes of the Innovation Vitality Team, published in March 2021 called for the creation of a single area-wide governance structure called the GNW Vitality Council to begin the next phase of more productive, oversight, ownership, and strategic development. Subsequently the Vitality Commission constituted by Bishop Stanovsky in December 2021 was charged with exploring “the institutional and legal requirements for merging existing conference-level governance bodies into a single Greater Northwest Vitality Council.

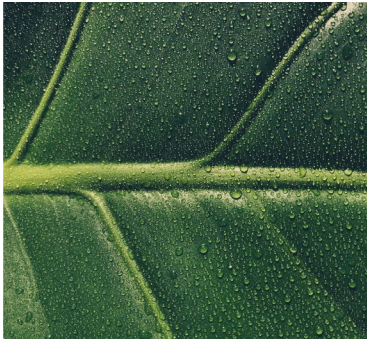
The Vitality Commission began meeting twice a month in January 2022-April 2023 to review relevant documents such as Northwest Adventure, the September Letter Response to the 2020 Annual Report to the Annual Conference, Book of Discipline 2016, and relevant legal resources. The Vitality Commission process consisted of document reviews, and conversations with planters and innovators, Innovation and Vitality leadership, GNW leadership and many in-depth discussions within the Vitality Commission.

The gathering, review, and discussion of the various resources to explore the institutional and legal requirements for a single Northwest Vitality Council was challenging for the Commission. During the tenure of the Commission, there were changes within the leadership of Innovation and Vitality. It was also challenging to align the perspectives and lived experiences of planters, conference leaders, clergy, and laity members of the Commission. We did not come to unanimous agreement that the single governance model was the best way forward for Innovation and Vitality. Our discussions lead to the realization that in addition to exploring the feasibility of the single governance model, recommendations for strategic changes to address the current and future experiences of planters and innovators were important to include. It is our belief that single governance alone may not address all the challenges facing planters and innovators. Our exploration identified six areas for Recommendations to Support Planters.

Recommendations to Support Planters

Detailed recommendations were made in the following areas:

- Funding
- Planter Support and Selection
- New Start Projects
- Assessment and Evaluation
- Planters of Color in established white congregations
- Racial Consciousness and Cultural Competency development in white congrega-



tions and the UMC system

- Support of Executive Director

Recommendations for a Single Governance Model

- Stabilize salaries and differentiate funding
- Create conference wide vision
- Establish metrics for project evaluation
- Determine racial consciousness of congregations

See the attached documents for the full list of the recommendations to support planters and for the single governance model.

As a result of the Vitality Commission’s exploration, we separately submit legislation that combines the authority, funding, and accountability models under one area-wide Greater Northwest Vitality Council. By nurturing a shared vision (from the Wesleyan expression of theology), and by practicing the tenets of inclusion, innovation and multiplication drawn from Change Theory, we believe we can have a single board governing body that can standardize policies, share staff, share funding, and collaborate to embed the practices of vitality in the culture of every church and faith community. The Vitality Council is but one part of this call on every member of the Greater Northwest people called United Methodists.

Recommendations

1. Funding:

- Continue funding current Planters for a second cycle to maximize the success of their projects.
- Ensure and secure long-term funds that take into account a more realistic timeline for developing cross-cultural relationships and different types of innovation projects.
- Define sustainability. Right now, that seems to be five years of decreasing funding.
- Consider ten years, with key milestones delineated, including relationships built.

2. Planter Support and Selection:

- Develop a strong internal system for selecting and onboarding new Planters, with a dedicated focus on historically underrepresented groups within the UMC.
- Develop a strong internal infrastructure for supporting current Planters and the communities they serve. If the expertise doesn’t exist internally, work with Planters on developing a professional development plan where they can outsource the needed support and find innovative ways for professional development related to their projects.
- Enable access to information even in other languages, especially for Planters who

do not speak English as their first language.

3. New Start Projects:

- Only bring in new Planters who are focused on starting a new church or building a new congregation with a focus on historically underserved and underrepresented groups with the UMC.
- Develop new Planters within congregations of color.
- Determine church/congregation characteristics that set Planters up for success. Prioritize churches that have these characteristics for Planters.
- Every Planter should have behavior, practice, and a high awareness of the fight against racism, xenophobia, lgbtq+ phobia, and discrimination.

4. Assessment and Evaluation:

- Define what success looks like for each project. Include Planters and churches in defining success at the outset.
- Since much of the work is local, organic, evolving, iterative, and building relationships, decide how accountability will be structured.
- Conduct a concrete evaluation of each planter's short, medium, and long-term results. It is crucial to remember the main objective is the mission, and therefore we want to see those results reflected in the consciousness and practice of the Planter.
- Work with the Planters to define success and these milestones.
- Define the values, constructs, criteria, and training that allows this work to thrive and set a different kind of table. Set it up in such a way that Planters and congregations could share their learnings with each other and with other churches.
- If most church plants and innovations fail, consider a new model for sustainability.

5. Planters of Color in established white congregations:

- Do not place Planters of Color in already established white congregations.
- Focus more on bringing in Planters of Color who can develop and start their own congregations.

6. Work needed for already established white congregations and the UMC system:

- Develop a robust process for determining the racial consciousness of white congregations. This should include a plan for increasing racial consciousness, and ongoing monitoring of this process should be mandatory. As currently structured, white dominant culture and structures of the UMC are getting in the way of innovation and vitality work. We are trying to do a new thing in an old system.
- Create a plan to engage white congregations in learning about and acknowledging their white dominant colonial approach to ministry. This should include strategies for reconciliation.
- Invest in congregational training and development in intercultural ministry for

white congregations.

7. Support of Executive Director:

- Affirm the Executive Director’s leadership and maximize her voice, skillset, expertise, and ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

2022-2023 Vitality Commission Team Members

- Mark Galang
- Daymond Glenn
- Wongee Joh
- Cynthia MacLeod
- Skylar Marston-Bihl
- Elizabeth Ripley
- Jeremy Smith
- Funga Taufouu

“After receiving more feedback from Annual Conference leadership bodies and processes after our legislation was submitted, the Vitality Commission voted on May 18th to withdraw the one-board Vitality Council legislation for 2023 consideration. We lament we did not invest the relational work necessary to effect passage and build support for such a wide-ranging and cross-conference effort.

The will of all three Annual Conferences in 2021 was to effect single board governance and tasked the Vitality Commission to research its viability. The Vitality Commission has proposed a viable path forward, but the proposal does not have the support of all three conferences. We now turn ownership of that decision to the Annual Conference to create a new team focused on building support for a one board model, or to decide its time has passed.

Our Vitality Commission Report stands alone in the conference reports section of the journal, and its recommendations are not contingent on this legislation. Ownership and implementation of those recommendations will now fall not to a new representative cross-conference team, but back to the established Conference teams and the Greater Northwest Cabinet.”

Outside Institution Reports

Africa University

You are the light of the world. A city on top of a hill can't be hidden. —Matthew 5:14 (NIV)

United Methodists worldwide celebrated an ‘Ebenezer’ moment in the ministry of Africa University in 2022, marking 30 years of faithfulness, generosity, growth, and impact within and beyond The United Methodist Church.

God’s presence and provision in the life of Africa University are evident, thanks to the strong missional engagement of the Pacific Northwest Conference. In 2022, the Pacific Northwest Conference graciously invested 88.34 percent of its share of general church giving to support the day-to-day operations of Africa University.

Supported by Pacific Northwest United Methodists and others across the denomination, Africa University embraced new opportunities as it emerged from pandemic-related restrictions in 2022.

- Enrollment: Africa University enrolled a total of 2,791 students from 23 African countries in August 2022. Female students comprised 58 percent of the student population.
- Academic Growth: The first new academic unit to open at Africa University in almost twenty years—The School of Law—enrolled a pioneer cohort of 20 students pursuing the Bachelor of Laws (Honors) (LLBS) degree program. Five new undergraduate and graduate programs are in the pipeline for implementation. All five have the approval of the Zimbabwe Council for Higher Education (ZIMCHE), the national accreditation and quality assurance agency.
- Infrastructure expansion: Construction of a new residence hall for female students at Africa University is ongoing. Funding to build and equip the facility was provided by the East Ohio Conference (EOC). The EOC’s Teach * Reach * Bless residence hall will boost the available on-campus housing for students to around 1200 beds.

Africa University’s year-long 30th anniversary program culminated in October 2022 with a gathering of more than 3,000 people at its main campus in Mutare, Zimbabwe. Amidst the commemoration and joyful thanksgiving livestreamed to the world, the Rev. Dr. Peter Mageto was installed as the fifth vice chancellor (president) of the institution.

Mageto, a Kenyan and academician specializing in theological ethics, echoed the gratitude of the students, faculty, staff, trustees, and alumni of Africa University for the many answered prayers represented in the Africa University story. His inaugural address highlighted the optimism and commitment to purpose that drive the university’s unfolding vision.


“Today, Africa University turns thirty. The number 30 is a blessed figure. Thirty was the age of our Lord Jesus Christ when he commenced his ministry here on earth. It gives us great faith to be walking resolutely towards the fourth decade,” Mageto said.

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Thank you, Pacific Northwest Conference, for nurturing change leaders and building an enduring legacy through the ministry of Africa University. Let us continue to journey together—learning, leading, and serving God, all the time, everywhere.

James H. Salley, *Associate Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement
Africa University Development Office*

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Through the Africa University Fund, you are empowering the **next generation of innovators, leaders and dreamers** to transform the church, Africa and the world. **Thank you!**



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I am profoundly grateful for your partnership, prayers, and support in these challenging times. A year like 2022 makes even more relevant BUSTH’s historic and ongoing commitments to peace and justice in equipping transformational leaders. We remain hopeful and vigilant in our continued partnership with you.

BREAKING NEWS:

- Students: Our academic year 2022-23 entering class was among our most diverse, with 88 new students enrolling, 34% of whom are international students.
- Faculty: In September we welcomed three new faculty members: James McCarty, Assistant Clinical Professor of Religion and Conflict Transformation; Eunil David Cho, Assistant Professor of Spiritual Care; and Peng Yin, Assistant Professor of Ethics.
- New Online Degree First Cohort: BUSTH’s first fully online master’s degree—the Master of Religion and Public Leadership (MARPL)—welcomed its first students in fall 2022. MARPL seeks students who wish to be prepared for leadership roles that creatively engage the challenges of public life. Learn more at bu.edu/sth/marpl.
- Faculty Research: Prof. Filipe Maia was awarded a Louisville Institute book grant in April, and Prof. Luis Menéndez-Antuña was awarded a grant from the Catholic Biblical Association in August. Other large grants continue to move forward, including the Trauma Responsive Congregations Project led by Prof. Shelly Rambo and supported by the Lilly Endowment, and the Positive Psychology and Formation-Based Flourishing grant led by Prof. Steven Sandage and supported by the Peale Foundation.
- Scholarships: This year, we announced free tuition for all residential master’s candidates. We continue to offer free tuition to UMC-registered candidates for ordained ministry and leadership fellowships that support students in ethnic, gender, and sexuality studies. New funds include the Research & Teaching Fund and Affirmation & Empowerment Fund as well as the following endowed funds: DEI, Theology & the Arts, and Doctor of Ministry.
- Accreditation Visit: BUSTH just welcomed the United Methodist University Senate Review team on February 1-3 for our re-accreditation visit.
- Online Lifelong Learning: BUSTH offers online courses for professional and spiritual enrichment of religious leaders. Recent offerings include “Ethics and Video Games,” and “Spiritual Mending for Helping Professionals.” To learn more, visit bu.edu/sth/oll.
- Development: Recent accomplishments include endowing the Faith and Ecological Justice Fund, and new funding for student scholarships and academic programs.



Boston University School of Theology

COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE and COMPASSION:

- BUSTH’s Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion offers webinars on timely inclusion efforts, such as “Increasing Participation of Students of Underrepresented Backgrounds.”
- This year’s Lowell Lecture topics explore the spiritual dimension of artistic expression. This fall, Dr. Emmett G. Price III highlighted the brilliant resilience and demonstrative hope of Black folk through the lens of two exceptional spiritual beings: Nina Simone and John Coltrane. A diverse panel response fostered rich conversation.
- Work continues to improve accessibility, sustainability, and responsible investing. BUSTH is the first certified Green School at BU and is active in the Green Seminary Initiative.

With faith and gratitude,

G. Sujin Pak, *Dean*

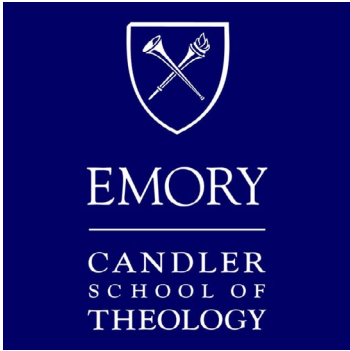
Candler School of Theology

Since 1914, Candler School of Theology at Emory University has educated faithful and creative leaders for the church’s ministries throughout the world. An official seminary of The United Methodist Church, Candler holds true to the Methodist value of ecumenical openness, enthusiastically welcoming students from more than 42 denominations, with nearly half of Master of Divinity students coming from the Wesleyan tradition, including United Methodist, African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal Zion, Christian Methodist Episcopal, Wesleyan, Free Methodist, Church of the Nazarene, and others. Our student body reflects the diversity and breadth of the Christian faithful, with an enrollment of 417 from 16 countries and 33 states, and 43% persons of color. This diversity is a blessing, enriching our life together and providing a “learning laboratory” for ministry in the 21st century—ministry that cultivates community across difference, welcomes all to contribute and belong, and embodies Christ’s love in and among us.

Candler offers six single degrees and ten dual degrees, most of which are available in hybrid or online formats so students can remain rooted in their home communities as they pursue their degrees. Our new hybrid Master of Divinity blending online classes and in-person intensives launches in Fall 2023, and our successful Doctor of Ministry—with its high 87% completion rate—is 90% online. Hybrid and online options are also available in the Master of Religious Leadership and the Master of Religion and Public Life programs. Plus, Candler’s Teaching Parish program allows student pastors to earn contextual education credit as they serve their churches. We are excited that these flexible learning formats make a first-rate Candler education possible for even more people who are called to ministry.

Alleviating student debt through generous financial aid is a top priority for Candler. In 2021-2022, we awarded \$7.3 million in scholarship support, with 100% of MDiv students receiving aid. All MDiv students who are certified candidates for ordained ministry in the UMC receive full-tuition scholarships, and all MDiv, MTS, MRL, and ThM students receive a scholarship covering at least 50% of tuition. MDiv students also complete a financial literacy program to strengthen their financial and budgeting skills and reduce debt.

Candler was recently honored as one of 16 theological schools to receive a “Pathways to Tomorrow” grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. The \$5 million grant will support Candler in establishing a set of initiatives to create an interconnected continuum of offerings for the education of pastoral leaders. This will position Candler as a hub of theological learning with multiple entry points, including The Candler Foundry, our innovative program to make theological education accessible to the public, the United Methodist Course of Study, undergraduate classes, and a new venture, La Mesa Academy for Theological Stud-



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ies. Set to launch in Fall 2023, La Mesa Academy will offer diplomas in pastoral leadership via a two-year hybrid program with courses in Spanish and English. An optional third year of study will be offered to those aspiring to continue to a graduate professional degree at Candler.

This year, we welcomed the Rev. Dr. Brett Opalinski as Assistant Dean of Methodist Studies, a position made available by the retirement of the Rev. Dr. Anne Burkholder. Brett is an elder in full connection in the Florida Annual Conference and most recently served for nine years as senior pastor of Christ Church United Methodist in Ft. Lauderdale. In addition to other pastoral appointments, he has held a variety of leadership roles in the Florida Conference, including chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry. He is deeply committed to working with students in discerning their call, spiritual formation, and guiding them through the commissioning and ordination process.

Candler’s ability to fulfill our mission to provide the church with the faithful and creative leaders it needs depends upon your prayers, partnership, and support. Thank you for the countless ways you advance this essential ministry in the life of our denomination. We invite you to visit us online at candler.emory.edu.

Jan Love

*Mary Lee Hardin Willard Dean and Professor of Christianity and World Politics
Candler School of Theology, Emory University*

Claremont School of Theology

I believe the word that best describes the state of Claremont School of Theology is “transition.” We are experiencing many transitions as a school, and we are challenged to keep up with them. Through it all, God is good, enabling us to move forward in healthy and life-giving ways.

The first transition is the stepping back of our leader and President, Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kuan. One cannot thank Jeffrey enough for his ten years of service as the President of CST. Jeffrey has worked tirelessly to keep CST alive and well. He has given his all to the school, and after such a long and faithful tenure, he felt this was the time for him to engage in much-needed self-care and family time. After his sabbatical this Spring, Jeffrey will step down as president and return as a senior administrator and faculty member of the school. We thank God for Jeffrey’s leadership and celebrate the fact that he will continue to be a vital part of the school for years to come!

Our next transition is a permanent move from our present location in Claremont back to our original roots in Los Angeles.

Moving back to Los Angeles allows us to do the type of education and ministry that is vital to our unique commitment to the principles of diversity, inclusion, and interreligious education. This move will enable us to live out our values as we seek to empower underserved communities, conduct intercultural programs, and interface with many different religions and religious movements. We will be located on the Westwood United Methodist Church campus, where we will have our own dedicated area, and we are grateful for the church’s vision and commitment to working with us.

Another of our transitions will soon transpire as we finalize our relationship with the Claremont Colleges in seeking a just arbitration for our Claremont property. The courts have already determined that we must sell our property to the Claremont Colleges, and we are seeking a just and sustainable price for the value of our property. We are hoping for a final court arbitration this coming year.

All these major transitions mean that we can start anew, and we have a grand vision for a reboot of theological education on the West Coast. We are moving toward a robust array of academic offerings, for which a student’s relocation is not required. This aligns with the current life situation for many of our students: the ability to work toward a terminal degree without having to uproot their lives and families and move to a brick-and-mortar school location. It allows the freedom of students to live in their local communities and continue their education with the high standards CST has represented. To be a “seminary without walls” gives us the freedom to move and have our being in a totally new and innovative way.



We call this “Claremont 2.0,” and it is opening up the doors of our imagination and creativity to be something beyond a traditional place of higher learning and growth for the church. Our three principles of “Justice, Compassion, and Belonging” help us recommit ourselves to being an institution that transforms people’s lives so that they can transform others and the world. CST’s great strengths are openness, spirituality, innovation, and interreligious acceptance. We have been at the forefront of Process Theology and a commitment to global and environmental justice. Students come to us longing for the tools to make a difference in the world and leave us ready to make their own mark upon the world.

We continue to create and hone this new vision, and we invite you to join us as we remake theological education for a new world! It is such an exciting time for us here at CST!

One of the inspiring elements of CST is our new and upcoming faculty and staff. We have some of the brightest and most committed faculty, being mentored and supported by our tenured professors. It is a place of safety and support, and we are blessed with both experience and passion.

Some major changes in our wonderful staff include:

- Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kuan has been appointed President Emeritus and Sr. Advisor to the President.
- Dr. Andrew Dreitcer has been appointed Dean of the Faculty and Vice President of Academic Affairs, with the “Interim” title removed.
- Dr. Yohana Junker has been appointed “Associate Dean for Strategic Planning” as she continues as Assistant Professor of Art, Religion, and Culture and Project Director / Phase 2 of the Pathways for Tomorrow Lilly Grant.
- Dr. Yuki Schwartz’s title shifts to Assistant Professor of Constructive Theologies, Spirituality, and Decolonial Studies, as she continues as “Associate Dean for Assessment and Academics.”
- Dr. Aizaiah Yong will move from “Interim Associate Dean of Students” to “Associate Dean of Students.”
- Dr. Sharon Jacob’s appointment as “Visiting Professor of New Testament and Postcolonial Studies has been extended.

I ask for your prayers and financial support as we head into the future. CST has been woefully underfunded its entire existence. We will need some extraordinarily good fortune in the coming months and years to have a viable future. We need your help, however small, to invest in our future.

Whatever you can do to help us will be appreciated and cherished. Please reach out to me personally for any questions or commitments. I want to thank you in advance for your consideration.

I end this report by listing our great faculty’s current accomplishments. It is just a short summary, yet it represents how wonderful our faculty is and showcases their accomplishments.

Faculty Accomplishments

Philip Clayton: Ingraham Professor of Theology

Dr. Clayton continues to advise CST MDiv students and mentor Ph.D. and D.Min. candidates, yet the majority of his time has been spent as President of the Institute for Ecological Civilization, EcoCiv.org. EcoCiv grew out of the 2000-person conference, “Seizing an Alternative: Toward an Ecological Civilization,” which we co-organized and led in 2015 under the leadership of John Cobb. Since that time EcoCiv has grown to a staff of 15 and has led projects and events in 10 different countries around the world. Dr. Clayton continues to write and produced the following books: *What is Ecological Civilization?* Crisis, Hope, and the Future of the Planet, co-authored with Andrew Schwartz (Process Century Press, 2019), *The New Possible: Visions of our World beyond Crisis*, co-edited with Kelli Archie (Cascade, 2000), *Science and the Sacred: Beyond the Gods in Our Image*, with C. S. Pearce (Cascade, 2023). In preparation is the forthcoming *Hope beyond Belief: Sacred and Secular*, with Steven Knapp.

Andrew Dreitcer: Vice President for Academic Affairs; Dean of the Faculty Professor of Spirituality; Co-Director of The Center for Engaged Compassion

In addition to Dr. Dreitcer’s heavy administrative and supervisorial load as Acting Dean, he was able to: complete a chapter of a festschrift for a dear friend and colleague; published an article in a special edition of *Mindfulness Journal* that described how “skillful means” (a Buddhist notion) appear in compassion-forming practices in Christian traditions, and gave a panel presentation on “contemplative capacities” in Christian compassion formation at the newly-formed International Society for Contemplative Research.

Roland Faber: Kilsby Family/John B. Cobb Jr. Professor of Process Studies

Dr. Faber continued his prodigious scholarly writing by completing two major books: *The Mind of Whitehead: Adventure in Ideas* (Pickwick, 2023), and *Divine Appearances: Transreligious Aspects of the Baha’i Discourse on the Manifestation of God* (Kalimat Press, 2022). He continues to write extensively for Professional Journals and scholarly articles in theology and philosophy.

Lailatul Fitriyah: Assistant Professor of Interreligious Education

Along with numerous journal and professional articles, Dr. Fitriyah contributed to two major book chapters: “Can We Stop Talking About the ‘Hijab’? Islamic Feminism, Intersectionality, and the Indonesian Muslim Female Migrant Workers” In Saraswati, L.A., Barbara Shaw, and Heather Rellihan, eds. *Introduction to Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Reader: Intersectional and Interdisciplinary Approaches*, Second Edition. Oxford University Press (November, 2020) and “Kata Pengantar (Foreword)” In Coen Husain Pontoh, ed., *Tuhan, Perempuan dan Pasar*. IndoProgress Publisher, 2019. In addition, she continues to be a leading voice at lectures and academic conferences in the area of world religions and interfaith dialogues.

Maggie Froelich: Director of Library Services; Accreditation Liaison; PhD Exams Coordinator; Assistant Professor of New Testament and Christian Identity

In addition to coordinating virtually all of CST’s accreditation processes and documentation, Dr. Froelich is finishing her Masters in Library and Information Science (MLIS)

program at the University of Missouri Columbia. Her Ph.D. dissertation was published into her first book: *Jesus and the Empire of God: Royal Language and Imperial Ideology in the Gospel of Mark* by T&T Clark, Publishers.

Lincoln E. Galloway: K. Morgan Edwards Professor of Homiletics; Coordinator of the Mentoring D.Min. Program

Dr. Galloway has been on Research Leave this Spring but continues to be active in the church and academy. He participated in the Planning Committee African American Caucus Meeting, the Academy of Homiletics Annual Meeting, December 2022, and the Academy of Homiletics Annual Meeting, December 2022. He also served as a Panelist – Topic: Deconstructing Whiteness in Preaching. Dr. Galloway recently Chaired and coordinated one of our CST history’s best annual Martin Luther King, Jr. celebrations, featuring Rev. Dr. Obery Hendricks. He preaches at local churches on a regular basis and was a guest preacher 18 times this past year!

Alecia C. Glaize: Interim Director & Instructor of Field Education

Rev. Alecia Curtis Glaize assumed the position of Interim Director of Field Education on July 1, 2022. In the first few months of being in this position, she has focused on getting to know CST students serving in Field Ed internships and learning how best to support both students and their supervising pastors. She loves being a guide and encourager to seminary students. Alecia holds a BA in Religion from Huntingdon College (Montgomery, AL) and a MA in Religious Education from CST. She is ordained as a Deacon in Full Connection in the United Methodist Church and is certified as a Christian Educator in the United Methodist Church.

Nicholas Grier: Associate Professor of Practical Theology Spiritual Care, and Counseling

Dr. Grier, who is on Research Leave this semester, continues to stay very active, regularly counseling clients to receive the highest level of counseling licensure, Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) in Illinois and License Professional Counselor (LPC) in Oregon. The additional hours that he is gaining can also be used for licensure in California as a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC). He continues to write and research and has two books in progress: *Care of the Nation: A Loving Home for the American People & Citizens of the World* and *Working Above Ground: Resources for Healing & Justice from Within African American Communities*, Carroll Watkins Ali and Nicholas Grier, eds.

Grant Hagiya: President Ad Interim; Professor of Leadership and Innovation

President Hagiya recently helped lead the UMC New Bishops Orientation, leading a session on “The First 90 Days Orientation” and “An Introduction to Coaching.” He also coordinated the personal coaching of each of the new Bishops. He will be presenting an innovation lecture at the UMC National Developers and Planters Gathering in Colorado on April 25, 2023. He is presently working on his final professional coaching certification, “Master Certified Coach” (MCC), through the International Coaching Federation.

Sharon Jacob: Visiting Professor of New Testament & Postcolonial Studies

Dr. Jacob has written “One Nation Under God: Teaching Biblical Studies in the era of Nationalism,” in *Pedagogy, Racism, and Biblical Studies*, Society of Biblical Literature

Press, Published 2023. She was also the keynote speaker of a three-part lecture series at All Souls Episcopal Church, Berkeley CA on “Mary, Motherhood, and Surrogacy.”

Yohana A. Junker: Assistant Professor of Art, Religion, and Culture; Associate Dean for Strategic Planning;

Project Director / Phase 2 of the Pathways for Tomorrow Lilly Grant

Dr. Junker published two major book offerings: “Interreligious Pedagogies: Indigenous and Afro-Atlantic Religious Traditions and the Visual Arts,” for the Georgetown Companion to Interreligious Studies, Georgetown, Spring 2022, and “Decolonizing Landscapes: Artistic Activism and Eco-religious Imagination.” In Religion and Sustainability: Interreligious Resources, Interdisciplinary Responses, edited by Rita D. Sherma & P. Bilimoria, Springer, 2022. She also has two forthcoming book publications: “Imaging Loss and Longing: Doris Salcedo Art and the Power of Collective Testimony,” for In Color: Embodied Approaches to Theopoetics, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Fall 2023, and “Weaving Land and Water: On the Poetics of Diasporic and Indigenous Resistance,” in A Curious Regard: Religion and Contemporary Art, Ron Bernier and Rachel Smith, editors, Routledge, Fall 2023.

Grace Yia-Hei Kao: Professor of Ethics – On leave for 2022-2023; Interim/Inaugural Bishop Roy I. Sano & Kathleen A. Thomas-Sano Professor in Pacific & Asian American Theology

Dr. Kao has been on Sabbatical leave this past semester, but she continues to write and present on a regular basis. Her recent publications include: “Recent Male Circumcision Controversies, Barth, and Infant Baptism,” in Theo-Politics? Conversing with Barth in Western and Asian Contexts, ed. Markus Höfner, 49-68 (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2022) and “Exploring Surrogacy Among Gay Men and as a Theodicy,” Syndicate, Symposium on Danielle Tumminio Hansen’s Conceiving Family: A Practical Theology of Surrogacy and Self (Baylor UP, 2019) [Book review], 2023. Her book, My Body, Their Baby: A Progressive Christian Vision for Surrogacy will be published by Stanford UP on Aug 15, 2023.

Namjoong Kim: Director of Intensive (Korean-language) D.Min. Program

Associate Professor of the Practice of Ministry:

Dr. Kim contributed an article to Preaching the Manifold Grace of God, Volume 2: Theologies of Preaching in the Early Twenty-First Century. Furthermore, as part of the Multicultural Worship: Theory and Practice project, his paper entitled “Exploring Inter-generational Worship of Interdependence in a Korean American Context” was published online in Religions in December 2022.

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Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan: President (sabbatical leave); Professor of Hebrew Bible

Rev. Dr. Kuan continues to be one of the true experts in the accreditation of institutes of higher education. He also continues to give leadership, either Chairing or serving as a member of almost a dozen higher education organizations and committees. He has found time to write *From Malaysia to the Ends of the Earth: Southeast Asian and Diasporic Contributions to Biblical and Theological Studies* (co-editor with Elaine Wei-Fun Goh, Jonathan Yun-Ka Tan, and Amos Wai-Ming Yong; Claremont, CA: Claremont Press, 2021). Finally, he has Launched the Global Ph.D. program in Contextual Theologies.

Sheryl A. Kujawa-Holbrook: Professor of Practical Theology and Religious Education

Along with dozens of scholarly journal articles and editorial roles, Dr. Kujawa-Holbrook has written the following books: *Injustice and the Care of Souls: Pastoral Care with Marginalized Communities*, with Karen B. Montagno. Augsburg Fortress, 2nd Edition, 2023, and forthcoming *A History of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity – A Religious Community of the Episcopal Church*, publisher contract pending, 2023.

K. Samuel Lee: Executive Director, The Clinebell Institute; Edna & Lowell Craig Professor of Practical Theology, Spiritual Care, & Counseling

Dr. Lee Co-wrote the book: *Justice Matters: Spiritual Care and Pastoral Theological Imaginations in Times of the COVID-19 Pandemic*. Lee, Kyungsig Samuel and Danjuma Gibson, eds. London: Routledge, 2023. Among his many other accomplishments, Dr. Lee established the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education's Spiritually Integrated Psychotherapy certificate training program in Korea in January 2023.

Venu Mehta: Bhagwan Chandraprabhu Postdoctoral Fellow in Jain Studies; Assistant Professor of Jainism and Comparative Spiritualities

In addition to many scholarly journal articles and presentations, Dr. Metha received the Uberoi Foundation Grant Award 2022 with the grant award of \$10,000 for organizing a conference on the theme, *Forgiveness: Jainism and Interreligious Perspectives* during 2022-25 by the Uberoi Foundation for Religious Studies. She also received the Rothman Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities by the Robert and Margaret Rothman Endowment in the Humanities for the PhD dissertation project and research for 2021-2022.

Frank Rogers, Jr.: Muriel Bernice Roberts Professor of Spiritual Formation & Narrative Pedagogy; Co-Director of the Center for Engaged Compassion

Along with many scholarly journal articles and delivering many lectures, talks, and addresses, Dr. Rogers completed the book *My Sister's Pieta: A Spiritual Journey from Trauma to Recovery* Lake Drive Books, September 1, 2023. In addition, his popular book, *Practicing Compassion*, was translated into the Spanish language. Dr. Rogers continues to serve as a Spiritual Practice Supervision for numerous programs and events.

Andrew Schwartz: Executive Director, Center for Process Studies; Assistant Professor of Process and Comparative Theology

In addition to a number of professional journal articles, book chapters, and talks, Dr. Schwartz completed three major books: John B. Cobb, Jr.: Selected Writings From A Christian Theologian, Edited by Wm. Andrew Schwartz and Tripp Fuller. SacraSage Press, 2023, Process Cosmology: New Integrations in Science and Philosophy. Edited by Andrew Schwartz, Andrew M. Davis, and Maria-Teresa Teixeira. Palgrave Macmillan, 2022, And Nature in Process: Organic Proposals in Philosophy, Society, and Religion. Edited by Wm. Andrew Schwartz, Andrew M. Davis, and Maria Teresa Teixeira. Process Century Press, 2022.

B. Yuki Schwartz: Associate Dean of Assessment and Academics; Assistant Professor of Constructive and Political Theologies; Louisville Institute Postdoctoral Scholar

In addition to a heavy administrative load as the Associate Dean of Assessment and Academics, Dr. Schwartz was able to write a chapter for an edited volume on anti-racist work among Asian American Christian communities, titled "The Cosmopolitics of Belonging: Model Minority Superheroes and Theological Imagination," which is currently in peer review and which she also will be presenting at AAR this fall. She is also working with the Association of Asian North American Educators (AANATE) as a steering committee member and a member of the Pacific Asian North American Asian Women in Theology and Ministry (PANAAWTM) publication and policy boards. Finally, she is working on a proposal to turn her dissertation, which is a political theology on shame and imperialism, into a book.

Marvin A. Sweeney: Professor of Hebrew Bible

Along with dozens of professional articles and journal work, Dr. Sweeney has two major book contributions forth coming: 1 and 2 Samuel. New Cambridge Bible Commentary Series (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press), contract issued, in press, and Visions of the Holy: Studies in Biblical Theology and Literature. (Resources for Biblical Study. 2 vols. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature), Accepted for Publication.

Aizaiah G. Yong: Associate Dean of Students; Assistant Professor of Spirituality; Co-Coordinator of the D. Min in Spiritual Renewal, Contemplative Practice and Strategic Leadership Along with many scholarly journal articles and reviews, Dr. Yong completed his book, Multiracial Cosmotheandris: A Practical Theology of Multiracial Experiences. Orbis Books, June 2023. Dr. Yong also delivered a response at our recent CST Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration to Dr. Obery Hendricks lecture: "The Unsung Radicality of Martin Luther King Jr."

Bishop Grant Hagiya

President Ad Interim;

Drew University Theological School

Drew educates and mentors pastors, preachers, deacons, activists, teachers, thought leaders, and change agents. In Fall 2022 Drew welcomed 77 new students, and as of February 2023 Drew has a total enrollment of 408 students. Many Drew students are just beginning their ministry, while others come to graduate theological education with substantial ministry experience. The latter reflects a growing trend among all theological schools in the United States and Canada. During 2022, Drew classes met on campus in Madison, New Jersey, but also some classes met exclusively online, while other met in hybrid fashion, i.e., partially online, partially in-person. This was also the case with chapel worship.



This reflects both our ongoing emergence from the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown, but also Drew leaning into what it means to be a global school with a global student population. With 35% of students coming from 28 different countries Drew Theological School is truly global and diverse in theology, vocations, age, as well as racial, ethnic, national, and international identities.

Drew’s interdisciplinary degree programs foster out-of-the-box thinking, provide real-world apprenticeships, promotes adaptive leadership skills, and encourages innovation through a team-taught core courses reflecting the integration of the theological disciplines and practices characteristic of the life of faith.

The faculty articulated shared values are infused across the teaching and learning at Drew: a commitment to anti-racism; gender and sexual-identity equality; eco-sustainability and environmental justice; and interfaith understanding and cooperation.

The Theological School has seen an increase in United Methodist students. Moreover, Drew has many United Methodist Global Fellows who chose to pursue education for ministry at Drew. UMC graduates are serving in conferences across the United States as well as in our regional conferences in Greater New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, and New York Annual Conference.

Edwin David Aponte
Dean

Duke Divinity School

Duke Divinity School has been blessed to be part of the fresh work of the Holy Spirit this year and to participate in “little Pentecost”—signs and foretastes of the hope we profess and the calling we follow.

The school has continued in its commitment to form ministers of the gospel who will seek God’s justice and mercy. Our faculty have been leaders in the Duke Climate Initiative participating with colleagues from the Nicholas School for the Environment in the event “Pastoral Care for Climate Change: Weaving Together Science and Theology for Justice,” at the Duke University Marine Lab. Divinity faculty have also co-taught a university course titled “Let’s Talk about Climate Change,” and welcomed 30 young faith leaders from various religious traditions to understand better how to engage their faith communities in the fight for our climate.



The Office of Black Church Studies, commemorating its 50th anniversary year, hosted “Justice Ministry Re-imagined: Reentry Simulation” for pastors, students, and lay leaders to learn more about how to support people reentering the community after incarceration. We launched the Prison Engagement Initiative with the Kenan Institute for Ethics. Divinity faculty taught a “Trauma Engaged Duke” seminar and led the team Developing Best Practices for Trauma-Informed Teaching and Learning. These programs and events complement the ongoing work of field education and ministerial formation that puts our students in contexts ranging from rural churches to hospital chaplaincy to farm ministry, and more.

We welcomed 226 entering students from 35 different states and eight other countries. The Master of Divinity program gained 88 residential students and 42 in the hybrid program. The Master of Arts in Christian Practice enrolled 13 new students; the Doctor of Ministry, 28; Master of Theology, six; Master of Theological Studies, 22; the Doctor of Theology welcomed six residential, and one special student has enrolled. The Certificate in Theology and Health Care welcomed four residential students and 16 in the hybrid program. Across all degree programs, 30 percent of the incoming class identified as a race or ethnicity other than white. Black students made up 18 percent of all students; Latinx students, six percent; Asian students, five percent; and American Indian students, one percent. Fifty-seven percent of students in the incoming class are female.

DDS continued to build on its rich tradition of ecumenical engagement, with Dean Colón-Emeric participating in the Methodist-Roman Catholic International Commission Dialogue meeting with Pope Francis at the Vatican. Student Eliza Love, M.Div.’23, was awarded the \$10,000 Bossey Institute scholarship from the United Methodist Church Council of Bishops to attend the World Council of Church Ecumenical Institute.

Three new associate deans have accepted appointments: Daniel Castelo as associate dean for Academic Formation; Jung Choi as associate dean for Global and Inter-cultural Formation; and Sangwoo Kim as associate dean for Vocational Formation. Linda Coley has

also joined as the executive director for the Ormond Center.

Several new programs demonstrate Duke's sustained commitment to connecting with churches and ministers. The Ormond Center launched the Community Craft Collaborative to create resources for equipping lay and congregational leaders. The Certificate in Conflict Transformation and Reconciliation, facilitated by leading scholars and practitioners in the fields of conflict transformation and reconciliation, provides a learning opportunity for pastors and other church leaders seeking theological and practical skills to foster reconciliation in their congregations and surrounding communities. We celebrate the expansion of our connection to UMC colleges through a partnership with Wesleyan College in Macon, Ga., to enable qualified undergraduates to take courses through the Duke Accelerated Pastoral Formation Program.

Convocation & Pastors' School returned to an in-person format for the first time since 2019 with the theme, Creativity & Courage: From Trauma to Tough Hope. Professional dancers, visual artists, musicians, and scholars guided participants in facing brokenness and sin honestly, as they offered glimpses of "the beauty of holiness." NY Times Best Selling Author & Associate Professor of Christian History, Kate Bowler kicked off the event with a live taping of her Everything Happens podcast with over 1000 registered participants.

Duke Divinity School continues to be grateful for our ongoing participation in The United Methodist Church and partnership with this annual conference. To learn more about Duke Divinity School, please visit our website at www.divinity.duke.edu.

Hundreds of years before amazon.com, John Wesley stuffed the saddlebags of circuit riders with books of theology and biblical interpretation—selling them to fund the movement while spreading it literally. GBHEM continues this innovative spirit by leveraging social enterprise opportunities and creative partnerships as a way of reducing its reliance on apportionments while continuing to focus on delivering the very best services, products, and programs to United Methodist constituents around the world.

The same spirit of service and leadership that first inspired John Wesley lives on in each of us. Today, GBHEM looks confidently to the future taking bold and creative action, remaining good stewards, and continuing to support The United Methodist Church in innovative and meaningful ways.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edgardo Colón-Emeric

Dean of Duke Divinity School

Saint Paul School of Theology

Educating tomorrow’s leaders by offering on-campus, online, and hybrid learning courses at a FLEXible schedule, Saint Paul School of Theology is a seminary serving a diverse community committed to the formation of people for innovative, creative ministry through rigorous academic life. Grounded in the academic study of faith and ministry, theology is practiced in a traditional classroom and in remote spaces. Our contextual curriculum features Ministry Collaboration Groups, Practicums, Spiritual Formation Retreats, and Seminars. Students learn from dedicated faculty, experienced pastors, and community leaders about best ministry practices leaving our graduates with the tools and first-hand experience necessary to meet the needs of a changing world.

We continue to implement the changes the last few years have integrated into our daily lives. Our weekly chapel service utilizes a hybrid format, where participants may join in-person or online, allowing staff and students to come together as one institution where all are invited to create a sacred atmosphere from wherever they are. In addition, Saint Paul offers weekly Spiritual Formation allowing students to engage in spiritual practices led by Rev. Jen Logsdon-Kellogg. Some practices will take us outdoors or to other sacred spaces, and others will have us connect with community leaders.



Saint Paul welcomed over 30 new students for the 2022-2023 academic year. Enrollment remained solid for the Master of Divinity (MDiv) degree program with promising growth on our Oklahoma campus. With COVID-19 restrictions lifted yet monitored, prospective students returned to in-person visits on both campuses, experiencing community meals, worship, and the newly implemented “Hammock ministry” on the Oklahoma campus. The Admissions team continues to expand travel to meet new students, including the Carolinas, Washington, D.C., and various parts of Texas.

This year we have focused on strengthening the Master of Arts in Christian Ministry by creating two specializations: Women, Society, and Church; and Social Justice and Advocacy. In each case, the student takes 22 hours of MACM required courses, and then the remaining 12 hours of the degree are comprised of courses focusing upon the specialization. The two existing specializations, Prophetic Witness and Service; and Deacon Ministries, will continue to be offered as well. The Women, Society, and Church Studies specialization is also available in the MDiv program, as is a specialization in Wesleyan Studies.

Saint Paul staff and faculty continue contributing to the academy, church, and society. This year, we welcomed Rev. Dr. Sharon Betsworth as our new Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean and Professor of New Testament. The faculty of Saint Paul School of Theology maintains high standards of scholarship, research, publication, and engagement. Over the past year, their many activities and publications have been so numerous that space permits only sharing selected highlights.

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- Rev. Dr. Sharon Betsworth co-authored a journal article with Julie Faith Parker, “Where Have All the Young Girls Gone?’ Discovering the Girls of the Bible through Childist Analysis of Exodus 2 and Mark 5–7,” in *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 38, no. 2 (Fall 2022).
- Dr. Casey Sigmon, Assistant Professor of Preaching and Worship and Director of Contextual Education, was the keynote speaker for the United Methodist Church Missouri Preaching Academy “Offering the Word to a Digital World.” She published “Failure to Discern the Online/Hybrid Body: A Captivity of the Eucharist” for the special issue of *Currents in Theology and Mission: Eucharist and Online Worship: Toward Extended Theological Reflection*, vol. 50, no. 1 (2023) and published the chapter “Liturgical Authority and the Table in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)” in *Liturgical Authority in Free Church Traditions*, edited by Sarah Johnson and Andrew Wymer, Calvin Worship and Witness Series.
- Dr. Joshua Bartholomew, Assistant Professor of Ethics, Church, and Society, led a “Race, Liberation, and Political Economics” series at Second Presbyterian. He also spoke at The Open Table KC on “Race, Liberation, and Economics.”
- Dr. Amy Oden, Adjunct Professor of Early Church History and Spirituality, was a guest speaker at numerous events around the country this year, including at a Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation in Oklahoma, the Beyond Conference in St. Louis, and the Academy for Spiritual Formation in Alabama.

In October, Saint Paul hosted a forum on “Innovative, Creative Ministry” featuring alumni Matt Austin ‘18, Fabian Gonzalez ‘20, Bo Ireland ‘18, Matt Patrick ‘18, & Abby Peper ‘22, with each sharing their personal stories of innovation in ministry. In November, Saint Paul Evangelical Society, led by Dr. Israel Kamudzandu, hosted a forum given by Rev. Mike Slaughter, former lead pastor at Ginghamburg Church, on “Spiritual Awakening: the here and the not yet.” Later in the year, the Evangelical Society hosted a lecture featuring Dr. Cheryl Bridges Johns, Visiting Professor of Pentecostal Studies and Director of the Global Pentecostal House of Study at United Theological Seminary. And on May 12, Saint Paul again held a hybrid commencement celebration via Zoom, allowing graduates to come together from both campuses with attendees viewing from around the country. During the ceremony, we honored the 2023 Distinguished Graduate Award Winner and Commencement Speaker Bishop Delores J. “Dee” Williamston.

Saint Paul Board of Trustees changed leadership this year as long-time faculty and board member Rev. Dr. Tex Sample concluded his term as chair of the Board. Dr. Amy Hogan, Professor of Education and Dean of the School of Education at Ottawa University, has succeeded him as chair. Dr. Hogan possesses a deep reservoir of experience in teaching, research, and accreditation. In response to President Neil Blair’s announcement that he will retire on December 31, 2023, Dr. Hogan appointed a search committee composed of faculty, staff, students, and trustees charged with identifying Saint Paul’s next president. The search committee is currently conferring with Saint Paul’s constituent groups to prepare the position prospectus that will describe Saint Paul’s needs and aspirations to candidates.

In September 2022, Saint Paul School of Theology hosted a review team from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), one of Saint Paul's primary accreditation agencies, as part of the Seminary's regular reaffirmation cycle. On November 18, 2022, the Higher Learning Commission notified Saint Paul that the Commission "continued the accreditation of Saint Paul School of Theology with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2028-2029." The Seminary's Board of Trustees also devoted considerable time to improving its governance capacity. For example, in April 2022, trustees invested a significant portion of their meeting in a facilitated Emotional Intelligence and Trust-Building workshop. The workshop was led by Gail Parker, a noted management consultant who has worked with clients such as KPMG, Goldman Sachs, and Disney, among many others. In October 2022, former executive director of the Association of Theological Schools, Dan Aleshire, offered an overview of demographic and enrollment trends in the nation's seminaries, focusing on how those trends affect institutions' diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. As these activities suggest, the Board remains deeply committed to enhancing its capabilities to guide Saint Paul effectively and knowledgeably.

We are happy to report that Saint Paul School of Theology is financially sound. We operate with a balanced budget, no debt, and an endowment 9-10 times the size of our annual expenses. As always, we continue to be grateful for donations from the community that provide technology, scholarships, and evolving academic programs to students. As of the close of 2022, over one hundred alumni and friends of Saint Paul contributed more than \$60,000 to create the Tex and Peggy Sample Endowed Scholarship Fund honoring the life and work of Tex and Peggy Sample. Sustainability has been our focus over the past five years, and we have achieved our goal. Investments in our future bring exciting new opportunities for our students, staff, and faculty. Our significant technological investments have allowed us to maintain a hybrid educational delivery model providing a flexible working arrangement for our students.

We are continuing to enhance our partnership with Zoom and Neat. Late last Spring, in conjunction with our Neat Board electronic whiteboards and Neat Bars, we implemented Neat's newest product, their Neat Bar Pros, in our large classrooms. These new bars are designed to offer a superior video and audio experience in large spaces and the ability to output to multiple large screens to enhance the overall classroom experience significantly. We have rolled out additional Zoom Room Neat Boards in numerous common areas to encourage ad-hoc use of the technology for breakout groups and other miscellaneous meetings between our two campuses and remote students. One of the best features of this technology is its ability to receive automatic real-time over-the-air features upgrades. Several significant enhancements have rolled out this past year, including improved voice cancellation, Zoom Room Breakout Groups, real-time Closed Captions with transcripts, and updated use of AI to split each in-classroom student into their individual zoomed-in Zoom window. In addition, our Neat equipment continuously monitors several environmental factors within our classrooms; air quality, temperature, humidity, VOC, and CO2, as well as being able to tell if the classrooms are occupied and how many individuals are in the room. We can also monitor the audio/video quality and network connectivity in each of our classrooms, as well as the connection quality for all remote students attend-

ing the class. We are excited about the additional enhancements that will come to our classrooms from Neat and Zoom over this next year and look forward to our continued partnership with Neat and Zoom on this groundbreaking technology.

Saint Paul School of Theology is blessed to be your partner in ministry and help those seeking to discover more and answer the call. We are grateful for your support of our students and our seminary. May we continue to live into the call of Jesus Christ to be faithful witnesses for generations to come.

Neil Blair, *President*
Saint Paul trustees, faculty, staff, alumni, and students thank you for your prayers and support.

United Theological Seminary

United Theological Seminary celebrated rising enrollment in the 2022-2023 academic year. In the previous year, 464 students were enrolled at United; in 2022-2023, the seminary is serving 541 students, a 17% increase. A diverse community of many denominations, races, and nationalities, United welcomed students from 36 states, 21 countries, and 43 denominations, with 42% of students identifying as United Methodist.* The Seminary prepared 103 Course of Study students** and served 10 students through the Hispanic Christian Academy, a 3-year online course of ministry program for Hispanic/Latino lay pastors and leaders serving United Methodist congregations.



Houses of Study

In large part, this enrollment growth is a result of the seminary’s House of Study initiative, which is supported by a \$1 million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc.’s Pathways for Tomorrow Initiative. As of 2022-2023, the Seminary has established five Houses of Study that are equipping master’s students for the unique ministry needs of the communities, movements, and denominations in which they serve:

- Fresh Expressions, directed by Dr. Michael Beck;
- Full Gospel Baptist Fellowship, directed by Bishop Lisa Weah;
- Global Methodist, directed by Rev. Gregory Stover;
- Global Pentecostal, directed by Dr. Cheryl Bridges Johns; and Hispanic, directed by Dr. Jorge Ochoa.

The largest of these communities is the Hispanic House of Study (Casa de Estudios Hispana), which is meeting a need for Hispanic/Latino pastors and church leaders ready to pursue a Master of Divinity in their native language. Nearly 50 students from across the United States and Latin America, including students from Mexico, Cuba, Columbia, and Peru, started in the online program in the 2022-2023 academic year.

As United continues to expand its offerings to support church leaders, it is preparing to launch three new Houses of Study in the 2023-2024 academic year: a Korean House of Study, taught 100% in Korean for Korean-speaking students, led by Dr. Seok Jae Jeon; an African Methodist Episcopal Zion House of Study led by Bishop Eric Leake; and a Global Lutheran House of Study led by Dr. Richard Blue, Dr. Tom Thorstad and Dr. Dan Landin.

Doctor of Ministry

The Seminary is also seeing growth in its Doctor of Ministry program. In 2022-2023, the Doctor of Ministry program has grown to 250 students, an increase of 32% over the past five years.* Doctoral students at United are actively engaged in ministry and seeking to become more effective leaders for the Church through a Doctor of Ministry degree. Students identify a need within their congregations or communities, and with the support

of a peer group, mentor, and United faculty, they develop a model of ministry to address the challenge.

Bishop Bruce Ough Innovation Center

Launched in Fall 2021, the Bishop Bruce Ough Innovation Center, directed by Rev. Sue Nilson Kibbey, is connecting with pastors, ministry leaders, and congregational members hungry to bring God’s renewal to their faith communities. In the past year alone, the Innovation Center has engaged more than 1,000 participants through more than 40 live webinars, training events, and courses. The Innovation Center has also partnered with The Center for Spiritual Formation, a connectional ministry of the Susquehanna Conference of The United Methodist Church, to offer a two-year online training course for those called to the ministry of spiritual direction. In addition, the Center is partnering with two United Methodist conferences to provide its Breakthrough Prayer Initiative training for all clergy in these conferences. Through these and other new opportunities, the Innovation Center seeks to set the stage for the increased vitality of leaders and congregations everywhere.

Dr. Kent Millard, *President*

** Student data represent 2022–2023 headcount enrollment, as of March 1, 2023. Denominational figures represent those who responded.*

*** Course of Study figures represent the most recent four terms.*

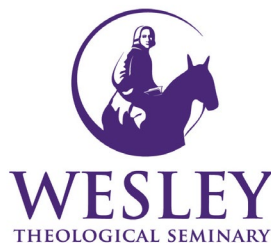
Wesley Theological Seminary

Wesley Theological Seminary continues to grow and thrive through research, innovation, and equipping Christian leaders for real-life ministries.

Course offerings and support that respond to students' needs

Get the education you need in the format you want.

- Pursue your call in a dynamic community within the corridors of power in Washington, DC, or earn a degree through flexible hybrid and online options from your home! Learn more: wesleyseminary.edu/study/
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- Wesley offers specializations in African American church leadership, public theology, military chaplaincy, and certifications in Christian studies, children and youth ministry and advocacy, and health ministry. Learn more: wesleyseminary.edu



Wesley provides \$2 million annually in scholarships, including full-tuition scholarships for master's applicants recommended by alums, campus ministers, or Christian service ministries; Next Call in Ministry scholarships for students working 10+ years in a non-ministry setting; and Generación Latinx Scholarships for emerging Latinx leaders in ministry.

Wesley's Doctor of Ministry programs includes relevant tracks such as Church Leadership Excellence, Soul Care, Global Church Leadership, Howard Thurman, and the ground-breaking track on Trauma, Moral Injury, and Christian Life. Journey with a cohort of leaders with online classes and hybrid week-long intensive sessions. Learn more: wesleyseminary.edu/doctorofministry/

Research projects support congregational community engagement and envision future ministry

Over \$11 million in Grants from Lilly Endowment Inc. undergird Wesley's research into and support of congregational thriving and innovation.

- In collaboration with Southern Methodist University Perkins School of Theology, Wesley Theological Seminary is developing professional courses and certificates for pastors.
- The Wesley Innovation Hub brings together diverse congregational cohorts to learn and practice ministry innovations that engage young adults for social change. Learn more: wesleyseminary.edu/wesley-innovation-hub/
- The Wesley Ministry Innovation Fellowship is a one-year, cohort-based experience with community formation, spiritual direction, graduate-level courses, and hands-on experience leading innovation. Each innovator earns a stipend and four

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graduate academic course credits. Learn more: wesleyseminary.edu/wesley-innovation-hub/design-fellows/

- The Lewis Center for Church Leadership's Religious Workforce Project offers multi-denominational research into current and future needs. Visit religiousworkforce.com/

Enrich your congregational outreach and explore new dimensions of ministry

The Lewis Center for Church Leadership conducts leading edge research for the local church. The Lewis Center's Leading Ideas e-newsletter and Leading Ideas Talk podcast is the go-to source for over 20,000 people in ministry each week. Subscribe at churchleadership.com.

The Community Engagement Institute embraces a vibrant vision to be the premier center for churches and faith-based organization engaging their communities. The innovative online Health Minister Certificate Program prepares congregations for public health work in their parishes. Contact: Dr. Tom Pruski, tpruski@wesleyseminary.edu.

The Center for Public Theology equips pastors, seminarians, people of faith, and the media to create spaces for civil dialogue at the intersection of religion and politics. Visit wesleyseminary.edu/ice/programs/public-theology/.

The Henry Luce III Center for the Arts and Religion works with students, religious communities, artists, and scholars exploring the intersection of the arts and theology. Visit www.luceartsandreligion.org.

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The Rev. Dr. David McAllister-Wilson

President, Wesley Theological Seminary

M. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ACTIONS

BOARD OF PENSIONS

Introduction

This is my first year as Chairperson of the Conference Board of Pensions (CBOP) but my 15th year on the board. The board meets twice a year, generally in April and November, in addition to conference calls/emails throughout the year to address other issues as may arise. Our conference continues to be served by our Conference Benefits Officer (CBO), Bruce Galvin, in his 47th year with the Conference! He continues to bring thoughtful recommendations to the board and provides us with enough information to have vigorous discussions as a board and make what I always believe to be decisions in the best interest of the active and retired clergy we proudly serve. With the impact of COVID delaying nominations, half of the board members are new and half are continuing through 2024. Members of this dedicated board include:

<i>Pam Brokaw</i> (Secretary)	Julleen Snyder
<i>Joyce O'Connor-Magee</i>	Chuck Natland
Ilaise Folau	<i>C. Shane Moore</i> (Vice-Chairperson)
Wendie Hansen	Stan Gent
<i>Sandy Ward</i>	<i>Brook McBride</i>
<i>Elizabeth Ingram Schindler</i>	

Non-voting members: Joe Talbott, *John Shaffer*, Brant Henshaw, *Mark Galang*, Peter Hang (Wespath Client Relations Manager) and Bruce Galvin.

Pension Board Sudsidies

For many years the Board has provided subsidies to offset some of the benefit costs for local churches, pastors and conference budgets. Five years history is shown below. Endowment earnings and reserves have provided the following funds.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 Budget
Churches Only					
Mission Church Subsidy	\$8,590	\$8,907	\$9,053	\$8,919	\$9,300
HealthFles Exchange Premium Support	\$164,477	\$151,555	\$216,298	\$178,822	\$328,600
CRSP Defined Benefit Support					\$60,500
Well-Being Incentives			6,791	\$14,648	\$41,000
Active Pastors					
Medical Leave/ Grants	\$35,866	\$25,696	\$36,170	\$47,366	\$47,515
Retirees					
Health Subsidies	\$104,600	\$96,930	\$88,459	\$90,417	\$85,000
Special Grants	\$19,831	\$18,907	\$14,139	\$11,299	\$11,627
Conf. Treasurer's Off.					
Salary/Benefit support	\$43,678	\$43,339	\$43,481	\$17,927	\$18,645
COVID Emergency Grants			39,889		\$8,400
Total Subsidy	\$377,042	\$345,344	\$345,344	\$369,398	\$610,587

HealthFlex Claims Performance

Our conference HealthFlex claims ratio for 2022 was 87%. When large claims (over \$100,000) are taken out, the claims ratio drops to 62%, so the pooling of large claims (sharing in the costs) with the rest of the HealthFlex Plan Sponsors does benefit us in years with large claims. With the good claims experience, the medical/pharmacy rate is increasing 4% in 2024. The increase in previous years were 3% in 2023, 10% in 2022 and 3% in 2021. Dental rates will remain the same in 2024. We encourage our participants to participate in the numerous well-being programs provided through HealthFlex. Higher participation does impact claims, the resulting rates and participants health. In 2022 about 60% of HealthFlex participants completed the three well-being incentives. Each salary paying unit received a \$500 credit off their health cost in early 2023 where participants completed the well-being incentives.

2022 Financial Highlights (or lowlights): Balance Sheet / Operating Statement

2022 was a bad year for our investments with poor market performance in both the stock and bond markets. As of December 31, 2022:

- Health & Claimants Funds Endowments -17.0%

- CRSP Endowment -13.1%
- Pension Endowment -17.2%
- Pension Reserve -7.3%
- Pension Endowment: \$6,281,613
- Pension Reserve Fund: \$827,807
- Clergy Retirement Security Plan Endowment: \$9,015,816
- Conference Claimants Endowment: \$2,457,079
- Health Endowment: \$2,586,263
- Total Assets: \$25,059,914

Building a reserve fund for down market years is one of the primary focuses of this board which helps us get through lean earnings years like now.

CBO for Alaska Conference

Bruce Galvin continues to be the CBO of the Alaska Missionary Conference as well as CBO of the PNW Conference. Because General Conference will not meet until 2024 the Alaska Missionary Conference cannot become a missionary district of the PNW Conference until they vote. If approved the benefit impact would start in 2025. It will have an impact on health rates.

Retirement

So far this year seven clergy serving the PNW Conference have indicated their intention to retire during the 7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023 appointment year with 176 years of service. We wish them happy retirement. See the list of those seeking retirement in the recommendation section of Preconference Handbook.

Retired pastor Rev. John Shaffer continues to provide capable leadership in ministering to retired clergy. He organizes and hosts the retirees’ luncheon at annual conference (when held) and has authored and sent retirees informative newsletters. He also attends scheduled meetings of the retiree groups through the conference. We once again thank John for his dedicated service.

Past Service Rate

The board has historically recommended an increase in the Past Service Rate for the pre-82 pension plan. The past service rate for 2023 is \$821 or 1.15% of the Conference Average Compensation (CAC). The conference intends to maintain the PSR at 1.0% of CAC. For the past few years, the CAC has not increased by 2%; consequently a 2% increase in PSR has gradually raised it above 1% of CAC to the benefit of legacy retired clergy. Under 2012 General Conference legislation, it is no longer a requirement to raise the past service rate but the CBOP recognizes how important this pension income is for those that retired many years ago. We are maintaining the increase at 2% to help keep pension benefits fully funded. The 2024 the recommended past service rate is \$838, or

1.13% of the CAC. Details of historical Past Service Rates are available from the CBO upon request.

CBO Evaluation

During our April meeting, the Board of Pensions will convene a voting member only session. We will offer an opportunity for the CBO to bring concerns to the board and to offer our feedback to him. During the main meeting there will be further discussion about a succession plan for Bruce with the Episcopal Area staffing needs.

Conclusion

The markets have retreated from their historical highs attained in early 2022. We are seeing stress on the markets with inflation, Federal Reserve raising interest rates to counter, bank failures and the political climate. Our mantra at the Board remains, to build reserves to weather the down-market years and meet our obligations to the retirees now and in the future. The work of this Board will remain integral to meeting the retirement and health needs of the clergy in the coming challenging times. I again thank all board members for their faithful attendance and thoughtful deliberations and contributions.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jeff Johnson, Chairperson

Conference Board of Pensions

TREASURER’S REPORT

What a year of transitions for the local church! Emerging from the pandemic, denominational turmoil, the arrival of a new Episcopal leader, a new year end statistical portal, and what seems like a never-ending winter. In the midst of all this, church still happens everyday!

As of the end of Q-1 we are even with our shared ministry apportionment receipts from 2022 for the same period. We ended 2022 with a 1% increase over 2021 which was a strong year. The conference has cut \$1.7M from its budget since 2013 and even with inflation running hot, we are proposing a slightly smaller budget for 2024. We continue to look for ways to wring every last efficiency out of our conference processes to keep your shared ministry apportionments low while not impacting services. We had a clean audit of our 2021 books with no areas of concern in the Management Letter.

The past year has been one of significant transition among those leading and administering our Annual Conference. We have seen the retirement of Anna Conklin from the District Service Center, and now the retirement of Pam Kaiser as accountant. In early 2022 we accelerated our movement towards a Shared Services model in cooperation with the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference.

Our goal is to have all financial administration and processing done with a shared staff between the conferences all the while maintaining separate accounts for each entity. To achieve this we have begun to share some staff, work on aligning processes, make collaborative decisions, and seek improved service models.

We moved to a new, shared, accounting platform; are ready to roll out a new ACH platform for receiving apportionments and paying for Fire and Liability Insurance. Those who have been paying benefits through Mission Connect will find this familiar. The eager anticipation from many local churches for this has been a welcome surprise.

In the coming year we will see further blending of staff to serve the entire GNW Area. Moves to coordinated Board and Agency Governance work across Conferences. Continued sharing of best practices across Conference lines and the alignment of leadership expertise to work areas. It is our hope that we are building a more efficient, flexible, and resilient organization to steward the gifts our members share for ministry both in the Area and around the world.

In 2022 PNW local churches found some financial footing amidst the shift from virtual to hybrid church models. Both these local ministry shifts and the denominational upheaval have impacted our church communities. I anticipate the aftershocks will stay with us for a few more years.

As mentioned above we have said Bon Voyage to several long serving staff. Anna worked with the Conference for 15 years in several different roles. She always brought humor and a willingness to “get the job done” to her tasks. We wish her well. She has settled into retirement in Montana near her sons and their families. Pam Kaiser has been the account-

tant for PNW and Alaska since the mid 1990's. Her stalwart faithfulness to ensuring the work was done was never more evident than during the pandemic when she was often the only person in the office daily making sure the mail was open and distributed, deposits were made, checks were written etc. Pam operates from a place of stewardship and care for the local church, the funds entrusted to the conference, and the ministry of the local churches. After working for 3 Treasurers she has also been a font of institutional knowledge that will be sorely missed. We are hopeful that she and her husband, Barry, will be able to take their long awaited trip to Hawaii in the near future.

The Conference will continue to subsidize Zoom and CCLI licenses for conference churches in 2024 as a way for churches to continue to be in ministry with those near and far.

The insurance market once again was not church "friendly" with us with rate increases. Some excellent work from our partner brokers kept us with a premium increase WAY below the market rates. It is vitally important for each local church to keep up with your background checks and abuse awareness training (free to as many people in your congregations as possible) as this helps us make a case for keeping our liability rates lower. Our policy now only extends liability coverage to those volunteers/staff who have been trained and background checked. The Boy Scouts of America bankruptcy case has been a good lesson on the value proposition of prevention vs litigation. We need to continue to be vigilant and prepared.

Finally, I want to thank all the churches who gave so generously to the Benevolences of the Conference and the Denomination. Our Conference once again paid the projected 2020-2024 quadrennial ask of the General Church at 100%.

Brant Henshaw

Treasurer, on behalf of a tremendous team ready to assist the local churches of the GNW Area

CONFERENCE TRUSTEE REPORT

As required by the Discipline, the PNW board of trustees provides a report of its “doings” each year. Information on finances and assets can be found in the main financial reports. This account supplements that information, covering work done in calendar year 2022 and the first half of 2023.

The trustees’ work as stewards of conference resources is solidly backed by professional staff: Treasurer Brant Henshaw, Benefits Officer Bruce Galvin, and Chancellor Molly Gabel. A close relationship with Faith Foundation Northwest provides investment expertise. Collaboration with district superintendents has been especially valuable this year.

Ongoing Work

- Trustees continued to care for the legacy properties of closed congregations – those housing the ministries of United Methodist congregations, those occupied by others, and those slated for sale. In January 2022 sales of the Belfair church, and of the Clark Fork church and parsonage were completed.
- Current conference policy directs proceeds from the sale of closed churches toward the development of new ministries. Trustees allocate funds to the Board of Congregational Development for implementation of this work through the Innovation and Vitality Team.
- Trustees are responsible for care of the episcopal residence, owned by the annual conference.
- Trustees continue to carry out their fiduciary duties regarding annual conference properties and assets, making sure that our stewardship is careful and law-abiding, while keeping the missional purpose of all our resources as a top priority.

In addition to this ongoing work, emerging issues can require large investments of time from staff and elected trustees.

Boy Scouts of America Settlement

Much of the trustees’ attention in the last two years was claimed by a legacy of abuse in the Boy Scouts of America. Because our congregations have long co-sponsored local troops, the United Methodist Church was involved in legal proceedings to advocate for abuse survivors and protect church interests.

- In January 2022 trustees authorized the PNW conference’s contribution to the Boy Scouts of America Survivor Trust fund – \$390,189 from conference reserves. This completed the trustees’ work on the financial settlement.
- Additional commitments to the work of healing were made in the settlement, which will be outside the trustees’ specific area of responsibility.

Disaffiliating Congregations

Conference boards of trustees were assigned major responsibility in a temporary disaffiliation process created by the 2016 General Conference. In our conference, district super-

intendents shepherded the discernment process in each interested congregation. Trustees and staff assisted with research, cost estimates, and the completion of individual agreements. Trustees' work included:

- Preparing due diligence guidelines for churches considering disaffiliation
- Setting up teams to review disaffiliation paperwork
- Approving disaffiliation agreements and resolutions for 13 churches

The Special Session of Annual Conference on May 7, 2023 completed the first phase of this work. If there are more requests to complete disaffiliation before the December 31, 2023 deadline, an additional special session will be held.

Broadening Our Stewardship

While handling the ongoing and special responsibilities above, our board of trustees has made some progress toward a broader view of our stewardship. Two areas of priority have emerged: the faithful use of church properties owned by the annual conference and managed by the trustees, and the potential of local churches' property beyond traditional uses.

Reviewing Use of Legacy Church Property

- When a congregation closes, ownership of its property and other assets shifts to the annual conference. The trustees may decide to sell property, with the proceeds then supporting innovation and vitality efforts. Churches that are not sold have been rented to United Methodist or non-UMC ministries or made available in other ways to support UMC ethnic ministries.
- As congregations continue to close, we need clearer priorities and practices to guide decisions. Trustees will be reviewing these arrangements in light of conference missional priorities, consulting with congregations, and gathering other information to form an evidence-based and equitable framework for future decisions.

Encouraging Local Churches Considering Property Redevelopment

- Trustees have continued to provide encouragement, networking and support for local churches considering new uses for their property. These range from early visioning and discernment, to feasibility studies, to projects seeking a development partner, to projects currently under construction. A common thread is the opportunity to provide communities with new affordable housing resources.
- Examples of this support include convening pastors of interested congregations; a Church Development 101 online session; a guide to UMC resources ready for church use; and partial financial assistance for legal work and feasibility studies.
- Two trustees completed a 20 hour "Faith Based Development Initiative" course, along with representatives of three UMC congregations. Resources from the course are now available for use by other congregations.

We hope these efforts will contribute to more faithful stewardship of the resources built

up by past generations and open new ministry opportunities in this fast-changing time.

Rev. Pat Simpson
Chair, Board of Trustees

PASTORAL COMPENSATIONS

This compensation information reflects action by the Charge Conference setting the pastor's salary, effective January 1, 2023 in most situations. The following notes are applicable;

- 1. 1. Housing allowance is designated by an "H", parsonage by a "P" and "N" as none. If pastor lives in a parsonage the housing column represents 25% of the Total Cash Salary column.
- 2. Total Cash Salary is the total of Cash Salary + Housing Exclusion
- 3. Housing Exclusion includes compensation designated for utilities and furnishings (non-taxable).
- 4. Cash Salary includes salary reductions for health insurance (Excess beyond the premium credit amount provided with HealthFlex Exchange), flexible spending account, health savings account, social security offset and/or United Methodist Personal Investment Plan contributions.
- 5. ARP stands for Accountable Reimbursement Plan professional expenses. The expenses are not included in cash salary. This represents the budgeted amount set by church to cover professional and business expenses of pastor.
- 6. The plan compensation (Plan Comp.) is the combination of the Total Cash Salary and Housing. It is used by Wespeth Benefits and Investments to determine certain benefit costs.
- 7. Some churches are not listed. If they are not listed if a 2022 pastoral support work-sheet was not received or served by lay person assigned.
- 8. 2023 minimum salary for full-time appointment (Total Cash Salary is \$46,400).

Charge	Cash Salary	Housing Exclusion	Total Cash Salary		Housing Allowance	Plan Comp.	ARP
CREST TO COAST MISSIONAL DISTRICT							
BATTLE GROUND	35,010	9,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	3,000
BONNEY LAKE: FOOTHILLS	35,000	12,000	47,000	P	0	58,750	2,000
CAMAS	39,500	11,655	51,155	P	0	63,944	2,200
CENTRALIA	40,110	3,900	44,010	P	0	55,013	900
CHEHALIS	37,751	7,649	45,400	H	20,000	65,400	3,000
EATONVILLE	16,800	0	16,800	N	0	16,800	2,000
KALAMA	24,000	0	24,000	N	0	24,000	0
KELSO UMC & PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	51,268	0	51,268	P	0	64,085	3,000
LACEY: ST ANDREWS	34,810	9,200	44,010	H	22,800	66,810	4,000
LAKEWOOD	39,363	12,420	51,783	H	20,000	71,783	3,000
LONGVIEW & RAINIER (OI)	33,627	0	33,627	H	23,700	57,327	3,000
MONTESANO & ELMA	47,010	0	47,010	H	14,000	61,010	2,000
OCEAN SHORES	18,000	6,000	24,000	N	0	24,000	0
OLYMPIA: FIRST (STEAM-BOAT ISLAND)	44,950	4,000	48,950	N	17,000	65,950	0
OLYMPIA: FIRST	42,679	4,000	46,679	H	18,000	64,679	3,000
OLYMPIA: FIRST	57,240	6,000	63,240	H	21,000	84,240	3,000
ORTING	40,906	6,000	46,906	P	0	58,633	2,000
PUYALLUP	39,737	6,228	45,965	H	12,360	58,325	4,000
PUYALLUP	53,568	8,240	61,808	H	24,720	86,528	4,000
PUYALLUP: LIGHT OF THE HILL	48,247	3,500	51,747	P	0	64,684	6,000
RANDLE	7,980	0	7,980	N	0	7,980	1,500
RIDGEFIELD	50,000	0	50,000	H	24,000	74,000	3,500
ROCHESTER	22,005	0	22,005	H	9,900	31,905	1,000
SHELTON	45,644	5,000	50,644	P	0	63,305	5,000
SPANAWAY	34,680	6,500	41,180	P	0	51,475	3,000
STEVENSON	10,000	0	10,000	N	0	10,000	1,500
SUMNER	44,010	6,500	50,510	P	0	63,138	1,500
TUMWATER	44,217	2,000	46,217	P	0	57,771	3,000
VADER: GRACE	0	0	0	N	0	0	1,000
VANCOUVER: FIRST	69,150	11,000	80,150	P	0	100,188	5,000

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VANCOUVER: MILL PLAIN	60,236	0	60,236	H	20,400	80,636	4,020
VANCOUVER: ORCHARDS	41,622	4,000	45,622	P	0	57,028	1,500
VANCOUVER: SALMON CREEK	48,677	0	48,677	H	27,043	75,720	1,500
VANCOUVER: VANCOUVER HEIGHTS	46,488	3,840	50,328	P	0	62,910	3,600
WASHOUGAL & FERN PRAIRIE	44,010	0	44,010	H	24,000	68,010	2,000
WHITE SALMON	41,500	4,800	46,300	P	0	57,875	5,000
WILLAPA & SATSOP	41,110	2,900	44,010	P	0	55,013	0
WINLOCK	3,451	9,553	13,004	H	10,000	23,004	500
YELM: COMMUNITY	6,575	14,458	21,033	H	17,640	38,673	1,500
BONNERS FERRY							
CHENEY							

Cash	Cash Salary	Housing Exclusion	Total Cash Salary		Housing Allowance	Plan Comp.	ARP
INLAND MISSIONAL							
ANATONE	4,123	0	4,123	H	8,400	12,523	1,000
ASOTIN	16,088	0	16,088	N	0	16,088	0
BONNERS FERRY	23,072	6,050	29,122	P	0	36,402	3,000
CHENEY	12,254	0	12,254	N	0	12,254	0
CHENEY	47,940	5,034	52,974	H	13,244	66,218	5,600
CLARKSTON & LEWISTON: FIRST	42,600	9,000	51,600	P	0	64,500	5,000
COEUR D'ALENE: COMMUNITY	62,512	6,000	68,512	H	17,900	86,412	4,500
COLFAX	26,000	0	26,000	N	0	26,000	3,000
COLVILLE	49,133	4,000	53,133	H	12,000	65,133	4,000
DAVENPORT EDWALL	36,800	8,000	44,800	P	0	56,000	5,500
DEER PARK	5,500	17,499	22,999	N	0	22,999	0
ELMORE ID	0	0	0	H	15,600	15,600	6,000
GRANGEVILLE	29,189	3,600	32,789	H	2,400	35,189	2,000
GREEN BLUFF: COMMUNITY	19,500	0	19,500	N	0	19,500	0
HARRINGTON	17,005	0	17,005	H	5,000	22,005	0
LACROSSE	23,434	0	23,434	N	0	23,434	2,255
LEWISTON: ORCHARDS	18,008	15,000	33,008	N	0	33,008	200
MOSCOW: FIRST	55,931	0	55,931	P	0	69,914	4,100

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OROFINO PECK & CAVEN-DISH	13,005	9,000	22,005	P	0	27,506	0
PULLMAN: SIMPSON	37,035	6,975	44,010	H	17,189	61,199	4,200
REARDAN	30,000	0	30,000	N	0	30,000	2,400
RITZVILLE: TRINITY	17,720	0	17,720	H	7,000	24,720	1,500
ROCKFORD COMMUNITY	550	10,453	11,003	H	2,727	13,730	500
SANDPOINT	38,010	6,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	3,500
SPOKANE: AUDUBON PARK	22,292	0	22,292	N	0	22,292	3,000
SPOKANE: AUDUBON PARK	41,940	17,000	58,940	H	24,000	82,940	4,500
SPOKANE: COVENANT	47,557	6,000	53,557	H	27,548	81,105	6,000
SPOKANE: CREATORS TABLE	29,010	15,000	44,010	H	15,000	59,010	1,000
SPOKANE: FOWLER	27,088	3,000	30,088	H	19,728	49,816	3,000
SPOKANE: MANITO	47,698	4,000	51,698	H	22,000	73,698	2,600
SPOKANE: MORAN	45,200	5,000	50,200	H	19,200	69,400	2,000
SPOKANE: ST PAULS & LIBERTY PARK	21,000	4,000	25,000	P	0	31,250	4,000
SPOKANE VALLEY	57,423	6,077	63,500	P	0	79,375	12,490

	Cash Salary	Housing Exclusion	Total Cash Salary		Housing Allowance	Plan Comp.	ARP
PUGET SOUND MISSIONAL DISTRICT							

ALLEN	50,070	5,000	55,070	H	15,000	70,070	6,000
ANACORTES	60,148	4,950	65,098	H	16,500	81,598	4,000
ARLINGTON UNITED	15,425	0	15,425	H	12,000	27,425	4,515
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND: SEABOLD	39,010	5,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	3,000
BAYVIEW & SEDRO WOOLLEY: CENTRAL	40,210	3,800	44,010	H	16,800	60,810	1,000
BELLINGHAM: GARDEN ST	51,961	6,000	57,961	H	20,085	78,046	3,750
BOTHELL	32,675	0	32,675	N	0	32,675	0
BOTHELL	61,770	9,000	70,770	H	34,000	104,770	0
BREMERTON	38,010	6,000	44,010	H	18,300	62,310	3,500
BROWNSVILLE	13,905	8,100	22,005	P	0	27,506	2,000
BURNABY BC FIRST UMC OF CANADA	44,010	0	44,010	N	15,000	59,010	8,300
COLBY	47,520	0	47,520	P	0	59,400	3,600
CUSTER	24,390	2,710	27,100	P	0	33,875	2,500
DARRINGTON	4,800	0	4,800	N	0	4,800	400

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EDMONDS	73,505	9,000	82,505	P	0	103,131	750
EDMONDS	72,485	0	72,485	P	0	90,606	0
EVERETT: LA PALABRA VIVIENTE	22,050	0	22,050	P	0	27,563	2,000
FALL CITY	2,205	19,800	22,005	H	10,800	32,805	0
FERNDALE UNITED	45,000	0	45,000	H	24,000	69,000	3,000
GIG HARBOR	11,182	0	11,182	N	0	11,182	1,200
GIG HARBOR	64,000	4,000	68,000	H	28,248	96,248	6,500
KINGSTON: REDEEMER	27,535	18,600	46,135	H	24,000	70,135	2,000
KIRKLAND: LAKE WASHINGTON	50,100	9,900	60,000	H	30,000	90,000	4,000
LA CONNER	37,000	6,500	43,500	H	18,000	61,500	3,000
LANGLEY	56,902	6,751	63,653	P	0	79,566	5,000
LYNDEN	37,477	6,800	44,277	P	0	55,346	4,000
MARYSVILLE	33,277	2,000	35,277	H	6,180	41,457	1,591
MARYSVILLE (BETTER TOGETHER)	809	10,000	10,809	H	15,000	25,809	0
MARYSVILLE	51,416	10,000	61,416	H	24,000	85,416	4,523
MILL CREEK: CEDAR CROSS	65,933	6,500	72,433	P	0	90,541	4,000
MONROE	20,574	6,329	26,903	H	10,207	37,110	1,000
MOUNT VERNON: FIRST	42,333	7,200	49,533	H	21,432	70,965	4,000
OAK HARBOR	61,690	9,000	70,690	P	0	88,363	6,000
PORT ANGELES: FIRST	48,100	9,600	57,700	H	14,400	72,100	3,000
PORT HADLOCK COMM	31,575	0	31,575	N	0	31,575	0
PORT ORCHARD	42,497	8,400	50,897	H	27,600	78,497	3,000
PORT TOWNSEND: TRINITY	40,585	3,300	43,885	H	20,000	63,885	1,500
REDMOND	49,929	6,700	56,629	H	26,000	82,629	4,000
SAMMAMISH: FAITH	50,051	3,600	53,651	H	45,000	98,651	6,500
SILVERDALE	50,130	10,000	60,130	P	0	75,163	4,200
SNOHOMISH	55,460	6,000	61,460	H	19,200	80,660	4,000
SNOQUALMIE	18,131	7,171	25,302	H	11,564	36,866	1,700
STANWOOD	50,619	6,987	57,606	P	0	72,008	4,800
TRACYTON	16,500	5,500	22,000	H	9,500	31,500	2,000
VASHON ISLAND	55,737	7,200	62,937	P	0	78,671	5,000
WOODINVILLE: BEAR CREEK	48,257	17,135	65,392	H	21,000	86,392	6,000
WOODINVILLE: COMMUNITY	67,434	5,000	72,434	H	32,520	104,954	0

SEATAC MISSIONAL DISTRICT							
AUBURN: FIRST	45,000	5,000	50,000	H	25,000	75,000	3,000
BELLEVUE: ALDERSGATE	55,800	6,000	61,800	P	0	77,250	5,500
BELLEVUE: FIRST	54,212	6,614	60,826	H	27,780	88,606	5,470
BELLEVUE: KOREAN UMC OF SEATTLE	11,003	0	11,003	N	0	11,003	1,200
BELLEVUE: SAINT PETERS	55,038	7,000	62,038	H	18,840	80,878	1,500
BURIEN: HIGHLINE	5,002	6,000	11,002	N	0	11,002	1,500
COVINGTON: CORNER-STONE	27,645	20,000	47,645	H	36,565	84,210	3,000
DES MOINES	72,298	6,800	79,098	N	0	79,098	3,000
FEDERAL WAY	40,824	4,120	44,944	H	42,605	87,549	2,000
FEDERAL WAY: GOOD SEED KOREAN	34,410	9,600	44,010	P	0	55,013	2,400
FEDERAL WAY: SUNRISE	17,805	4,200	22,005	H	3,375	25,380	2,500
FIRCREST	52,708	9,400	62,108	P	0	77,635	3,000
KENT	57,169	15,000	72,169	H	31,019	103,188	4,000
MERCER ISLAND	39,100	10,000	49,100	P	0	61,375	2,000
RENTON: FAIRWOOD COMMUNITY	59,071	6,520	65,591	H	27,384	92,975	2,500
RENTON: FIRST	52,500	0	52,500	H	20,420	72,920	3,000
SEATTLE CREATIVE COMMUNITIES	34,500	10,000	44,500	H	25,000	69,500	0
SEATTLE: BEACON	38,010	6,000	44,010	H	24,000	68,010	4,500
SEATTLE: BLAINE MEMORIAL	46,497	0	46,497	H	11,375	57,872	1,500
SEATTLE: BLAINE MEMORIAL	44,230	13,000	57,230	H	28,000	85,230	5,000
SEATTLE: BRYN MAWR	8,914	8,728	17,642	H	4,363	22,005	1,000
SEATTLE: EL DIOS VIVIENTE	39,910	8,000	47,910	P	0	59,888	1,000
SEATTLE: FIRST	61,442	5,500	66,942	H	38,000	104,942	4,288
SEATTLE: FIRST TONGAN	18,300	18,300	36,600	H	6,248	42,848	1,000
SEATTLE: GREEN LAKE & WOODLAND PK	44,922	5,000	49,922	P	0	62,403	2,000
SEATTLE: HALLER LAKE	33,666	17,000	50,666	H	14,000	64,666	4,000
SEATTLE: MAGNOLIA	22,373	6,000	28,373	P	0	35,466	1,200

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SEATTLE: QUEEN ANNE & TACOMA:IST	27,000	19,635	46,635	H	16,615	63,250	1,200
SEATTLE: SAND POINT	43,861	6,000	49,861	H	30,000	79,861	3,000
SEATTLE: SEAVIEW AND TONGAN FELLOWSHIP	11,033	10,000	21,033	P	0	26,291	400
SEATTLE: SOUTH PARK NEIGHBORHOOD	85,000	0	85,000	N	0	85,000	0
SEATTLE: TIBBETTS	53,400	6,500	59,900	P	0	74,875	4,000
SEATTLE: TRINITY	47,687	8,000	55,687	P	0	69,609	4,194
SEATTLE: UNIVERSITY TEMPLE	45,000	5,000	50,000	H	30,720	80,720	6,000
SEATTLE: VALLEY AND MOUNTAIN	17,250	26,760	44,010	H	33,240	77,250	0
SEATTLE: VALLEY AND MOUNTAIN	43,635	375	44,010	H	33,240	77,250	0
SEATTLE: WALLINGFORD	51,234	10,000	61,234	P	0	76,543	2,500
SHORELINE	34,010	10,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	3,000
SHORELINE: RONALD	35,055	12,547	47,602	H	28,200	75,802	5,000
TACOMA: BROWNS POINT	22,568	31,800	54,368	H	12,000	66,368	3,000
TACOMA: FIRST	43,245	15,000	58,245	H	26,475	84,720	5,000
TACOMA: FIRST KOREAN	40,315	8,200	48,515	P	0	60,644	6,000
TACOMA: KALEVARIA	36,510	7,500	44,010	P	0	55,013	1,000
TACOMA: MASON	48,510	8,000	56,510	P	0	70,638	3,000
TACOMA: THE BRIDGE	8,400	8,400	16,800	N	0	16,800	2,000
TUKWILA: RIVERTON PARK	11,003	0	11,003	H	2,400	13,403	0
TUKWILA: RIVERTON PARK	44,813	8,000	52,813	H	15,000	67,813	2,500
UNIVERSITY PLACE UNITED	42,760	7,000	49,760	H	30,240	80,000	3,000

Charge	Cash Salary	Housing Exclusion	Total Cash Salary		Housing Allowance	Plan Comp.	ARP
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SEVEN RIVERS MISSIONAL DISTRICT

CASHMERE & MONITOR	42,080	10,000	52,080	P	0	65,100	3,000
CHELAN: LAKE CHELAN	21,650	2,400	24,050	P	0	30,063	1,500
CONNELL	49,928	8,400	58,328	P	0	72,910	3,000
DAYTON: FIRST	15,900	500	16,400	H	2,550	18,950	500
EAST WENATCHEE: TRINITY	33,300	0	33,300	N	0	33,300	2,000
ELLENSBURG	48,000	3,500	51,500	H	18,000	69,500	2,500
EPHRATA	22,005	0	22,005	H	6,000	28,005	2,000
GOLDENDALE	36,010	8,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	2,000

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KENNEWICK: FIRST	69,057	6,695	75,752	P	0	94,690	4,000
KENNEWICK: WEST HIGH- LANDS	46,190	4,500	50,690	H	15,210	65,900	0
LEAVENWORTH	38,010	6,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	3,000
MANSON	11,003	0	11,003	H	3,600	14,603	1,000
METHOW VALLEY	5,003	0	5,003	H	6,000	11,003	0
MOSES LAKE	44,010	0	44,010	P	0	55,013	2,000
OMAK & CONCONULLY	0	0	0	H	19,200	19,200	0
PASCO: RIVERVIEW	34,266	15,240	49,506	H	15,000	64,506	2,000
PROSSER	47,343	4,725	52,068	P	0	65,085	2,500
RICHLAND CENTRAL UNITED PROT	54,110	10,000	64,110	H	25,890	90,000	6,100
ROYAL CITY	11,000	0	11,000	H	4,000	15,000	0
SELAH	35,835	7,800	43,635	P	0	54,544	2,000
SUNNYSIDE: MOMENTO NUEVO	36,010	8,000	44,010	P	0	55,013	0
WALLA WALLA: PIONEER	39,202	5,000	44,202	P	0	55,253	3,500
WALLA WALLA: PIONEER	58,645	7,200	65,845	P	0	82,306	3,500
WATERVILLE FED	33,008	0	33,008	P	0	41,260	800
WENATCHEE: FIRST	43,288	17,600	60,888	H	32,400	93,288	3,000
YAKIMA: WESLEY	50,625	6,700	57,325	H	23,000	80,325	5,300
Yakima: Wesley	50,625	6,700	57,325	H	23,000	80,325	5,300

PNW ANNUAL CONFERENCE,

Churches which Paid 100% of All 2022 Apportionments

**CREST TO COAST
MISSIONAL DISTRICT**

Battle Ground
Bay Center
Central Park
Centralia
Chehalis
Eatonville
Elma
Grays Harbor
Hoquiam
Kalama
Kelso First
Lacey: St. Andrews
Lakewood
Montesano
Oakville
Ocean Park
Ocean Shores
Olympia: First
Orting
Pe Ell
Puyallup
Puyallup: Light of the Hill
Randle
Ridgefield
Rochester
Satsop
Shelton
Stevenson
Sumner
Tumwater
Vader: Grace
Vancouver: First
Vancouver: Mill Plain
Vancouver: Orchards
Vancouver: Salmon Creek
Vancouver Heights
Washougal
White Salmon
Willapa
Winlock
Yelm

**INLAND
MISSIONAL DISTRICT**

Anatone
Asotin
Bonners Ferry
Cheney
Clarkston
Coeur d'Alene
Colfax

Colville
Davenport Edwall
Deer Park
Elmore
Grangeville
Green Bluff
LaCrosse
Lewiston: First
Moscow
Nez Perce
Pomeroy
Pullman: Simpson
Reardan
Rockford
Sandpoint
Spokane: Audubon Park
Spokane: Covenant
Spokane: Liberty Park
Spokane: Manito
Spokane: Moran
Spokane: St. Paul's
Spokane Valley

**PUGET SOUND
MISSIONAL DISTRICT**

Anacortes
Arlington
Bainbridge Island
Bay View
Bellingham: Garden Street
Bremerton
Brownsville
Colby
Coupville
Custer
Darrington
Fall City
Gig Harbor
Issaquah: Faith
Kingston: Redeemer
Kirkland: Lake Washington
LaConnor
Marysville
Mill Creek
Monroe
Mt. Vernon: First
Oak Harbor
Port Angeles
Port Hadlock
Port Orchard
Port Townsend
Redmond
Sequim: Trinity
Silverdale

Snohomish
Snoqualmie
Stanwood
Tracyton
Vancouver, BC: First UMC
Vashon
Woodinville: Bear Creek
Woodinville: Community

**SEATAC
MISSIONAL DISTRICT**

Auburn
Bellevue: Aldersgate
Bellevue: First
Bellevue: Korean
Bellevue: St. Peter's
Des Moines
Edmonds
Everett: La Palabra
Federal Way: Good Seed
Federal Way: Sunrise
Kent
Mercer Island
Renton: First
Seattle: Blaine Memorial
Seattle: Bryn Mawr
Seattle: First Tongan
Seattle: First UMC
Seattle: Green Lake
Seattle: Haller Lake
Seattle: Magnolia
Seattle: Queen Anne
Seattle: Sandpoint
Seattle: Tibbetts
Seattle: Trinity
Seattle: University Gathering
Seattle: Valley and Mountain
Seattle: Wallingford
Seattle: Woodland Park
Shoreline: Shoreline
Tacoma: Brown's Point
Tacoma: Kalevaria
Tacoma: Mason
Tacoma: The Bridge
Tukwila: Riverton Park

Churches which Paid 100% of All 2022 Apportionments

SEVEN RIVERS
MISSIONAL DISTRICT

Cashmere
Chelan: Lake Chelan
Conconully
Connell
Dayton
East Wenatchee: Trinity
Ellensburg
Ephrata
Goldendale
Hartline
Kennewick: First

Malott
Manson
Monitor
Moses Lake
Omak
Oroville
Pasco: Riverview
Prosser
Royal City
Selah
Walla Walla: Pioneer
Wenatchee: First
Yakima: Wesley

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THE PERCENTAGE OF PAYMENT BY EACH DISTRICT
ON ALL APPORTIONMENTS IS AS FOLLOWS:

Crest 2 Coast	97.07%
Inland	95.24%
Puget Sound	95.67%
SeaTac	88.93%
Seven Rivers	87.25%



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SPOUSE OF ACTIVE MEMBER

Lane Ashton DeLarme who grew up in Buckley, WA passed away on October 11, 2022, at the age of 67. He was born on September 23, 1955, to Lane B. and Barbara DeLarme. He was a 1973 graduate of White River high school and was a life-long learner. Along the way, he attended Green River Community College, Western Washington University, the University of Washington, and Syracuse University. It was at Syracuse that he met the love of his life, Shirley Marie (Waldraff) whom he married in 1988. They had been married 34 years when he died.

Lane and Shirley raised three sons, Brant, Asher, and Ethan. Lane loved their sons tremendously and he and Shirley raised their boys in a kind and loving home that included much humor. The DeLarme family had homes in Port Angeles, Olympia, Delaware County OH, Sumner, Bonney Lake, and Port Orchard as the boys grew.

Lane made a career of public service. He worked for the Department of Natural Resources; Delaware County, OH; the city of Lakewood, and as bus driver for Kitsap Transit. He was always mindful of those whom he served and did his best to provide quality work to them. Lane loved maps and spent much of his career working in Geographic Information Systems. He always knew where he was going and where things were. Lane loved to travel and visited 49 of 50 US states, the most recent and best being New Mexico with Shirley. Lane volunteered in many ways, including driving homeless individuals to shelter, mentoring in youth ministries, and providing extensive audio-visual work for church worship.

In 2018 Lane and his siblings had a wonderful surprise. They discovered an unknown sister, Teri, living in Colorado. They quickly bonded and Lane made several trips to Colorado getting to know this new part of the family.

His youngest son Ethan preceded Lane in death, passing away in 2018 at the age of 20. This took an incredibly heavy toll on Ethan's parents, one that Lane could never shake. We know that Lane was incredibly joyful when he met up with Ethan again in God's heavens.

Lane is survived by his wife, the Reverend Shirley DeLarme, sons Brant DeLarme (Kayla) and Asher DeLarme (Ashley), 3 grandchildren, his sister Lola Bowler (Mike), his brother, the Rev. Lance DeLarme (the Rev. Janine), and his brother-in-law Rege Vogan (Teri). He is survived by many nieces and nephews who were all near and dear to him.

Preceding him in death was his beloved son Ethan, his parents Lane B. and Barbara DeLarme and his sister Teri from Colorado Springs.

A celebration of Life was held on Sunday November 20, 2022 at 2:00 pm at the Port

Orchard United Methodist Church.

FULL MEMBERS – RETIRED

Norman Roger Lawson was born June 6, 1931, to Willard and Helen Lawson in Mount Vernon, Washington. He was the youngest of four siblings, two older brothers and his twin sister, Nancy. He would say he had an idyllic childhood, growing up on a farm, surrounded by a loving family. He graduated from Bow-Edison High School, going on to Willamette University in Salem, Oregon. It was in college that he met the love of his life, Lola. They married after he graduated from Willamette, and moved across the country to Northwestern University, where Norman earned his degree as a Master of Divinity and was ordained into the United Methodist Church. He later obtained his Doctor of Ministry from San Francisco Theological Seminary. He served in the United Methodist Church from 1956-2012. During that time, he was a part of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference, pastoring in Toppenish, at Auburn: First, Tacoma: First, Wenatchee: First, Richland: Central United Protestant, and Bainbridge Island: Seabold. He also served as the District Superintendent for the Columbia River District and the Seattle District.

One of Norman’s greatest gifts was that of encouragement. He was the ultimate optimist, and always had a kind word to share. He was a talented preacher, delivering over a thousand sermons through his career. Throughout his ministry, he mentored others. He and his wife, Lola hosted a college group from University of Puget Sound out of which arose numerous pastors and at least 5 Bishops! He loved young people and participated in church youth camps whenever possible. He also loved his family. He was always very close to his brothers and sister, and was an amazing father to his two daughters, Ellen, and Kathy. Aside from ministry and family, Norman had an insatiable appetite for the Puget Sound. He spent as much time as he could on the water, beginning in his childhood, and fostering a similar love in his daughters and grandchildren.

Norm and Lola moved into the Wesley Community in 1995 and were very active in helping others. He drove the bus, shuttled people to appointments, hosted Vesper services, and served as the Chaplain for Lea Hill in Auburn. Most recently, Norm relocated to Wesley at Bradley Park, living in the Arbor Community for the last six months of his life.

Norman was predeceased by his parents, brothers, sister, and wife Lola. He is survived by his two daughters, Ellen and Kathy, his grandchildren, Jimmie, Evan, Katie, Jeffrey, and Jared. He had 4 great grandchildren, Emily, Liam, Logan, and Lily. His favorite scripture was Galatians 5:22, “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law.” He personified one who possesses these gifts. Many of his sermons have been crafted into a daily Devotional, “Children, Love One Another”. This was his other mantra, if we loved one another as Christ loved us, the world would be a different place.

David Gary Hullin - On July 26, 2022, Rev. David G. Hullin, beloved husband, father, and pastor, passed away peacefully at home on Mercer Island at the age of 80. Dave was born in Seattle on September 4, 1941, to Arvid (“Swede”) and Pat Hullin. He attended

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View Ridge Elementary School, Concordia Lutheran School, Roosevelt High School, Seattle Pacific University, and Wesley Theological Seminary, before beginning a lifelong ministry with the United Methodist Church.

Dave devoted himself to being a 'Doer of the Word', especially in his work with young people. As a tireless coach, organizer, and counselor, he exemplified a life of service to others. Dave was always first in line to organize a fundraiser, a youth trip, or sports league. The nature of his faith was professed through his kindness, openness, and a healing spirit. After serving churches in Maryland and Virginia, Dave returned to Seattle and served as a pastor at Seattle: Bryn Mawr and Tukwila: Riverton Park UMCs, a chaplain at Wesley Homes in Des Moines, and pastor at Seattle: Highland Park United Methodist Church until his retirement. Dave remained highly active as a volunteer at the Mercer Island United Methodist Church until the end of his life.

On July 23, 1989, he married Judith Anne Borseth, a childhood friend from View Ridge, with whom he had reconnected after their parents had become neighbors again in a South Everett retirement community. They celebrated 33 happy years together shortly before Dave's passing.

Dave was an avid sportsman who loved skiing, camping, baseball, basketball, volleyball, and - above all - golf. On vacation, he would visit every post office he could, to build his prodigious stamp collection. After a stroke reduced his mobility and speech in later years, he found new ways to express himself through visual arts, sketching scenes from daily life - and many stamps.

Dave was preceded in death by his brothers, Dennis, and Arvid ("Buddy"). He is survived by his wife Judith, his children Anna Bloxham and Marty Hullin (from his prior marriage to Judy Alexander), as well as his two grandchildren, Tess and Sam. Dave and Judith have spent the last 10 years on Mercer Island living with Judith's daughter Jane and her husband, Craig.

Dave's gifts and graces were remembered at a Memorial Service held at Mercer Island United Methodist Church on Saturday, August 27th at 2 pm, officiated by Reverend Carol Mariano and Reverend John Go. The service was held outside because of Covid 19 considerations.

Mary Karen (Simmons) Brown passed away on the evening of August 1, 2022, from injuries suffered in a fall three weeks earlier. Her daughter was by her side. She was 87 years old.

Mary was born in Los Angeles, California on March 17, 1935, the second daughter to Frank and Hilda Simmons. She had an idyllic childhood growing up in Los Angeles with her parents and older sister Eleanor. The family would vacation in the summers at Camp Richardson in Lake Tahoe, as well as Balboa Island in Newport Beach, California. Mary was a great student and was active in the Girls Athletic Association. After graduating from Hamilton High School, she attended and graduated from Stanford University. Mary treasured the lifelong friendship she made while attending high school (Girls of '53) and college.

She was attending graduate school at San Francisco State University, obtaining a master's degree in Radio/TV/Film, when she met her future husband, William Clarence Brown, on a Sierra Club hike. They were married a year later July 10, 1965, at Old St. Mary's Church in San Francisco, California. For their honeymoon, they traveled to the Basque Country (in Spain), the home of Will's ancestors. They fell in love with the Basque Country and made their home there for many years, returning temporarily for the birth of their daughter Mirén. Their son Piers was born in Spain. The Brown family lived in a small Basque fishing village until returning to the United States in 1978. The family then settled in the Seattle area where Mary worked for the University of Washington's School of Nursing.

Mary had a big second act when she returned to higher education at the age of 51. In 1986, Mary applied and was accepted to the Claremont School of Theology where she obtained a Master of Divinity. In 1990, she became the pastor of the Snoqualmie United Methodist Church in Snoqualmie, Washington. Mary was the beloved pastor at SUMC until she retired in July of 2000. During her time as an ordained pastor, Mary went on a trip to Israel with her sister and members of the United Methodist Church. This trip deepened and enriched Mary's faith in the ministry.

Shortly after retiring, Mary's husband, Will, suffered a stroke. He died from complications resulting from the stroke on September 15, 2003. Mary was very active in the later years of her life after her husband passed. She enjoyed skiing, kayaking, and hiking in the Snoqualmie Valley, with her faithful dog Guapa. She went on three memorable "Road Scholar" trips. The first trip was to Costa Rica, the second was to the Teton Science School in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and the last was a trip to a camp in Wisconsin called Trees for Tomorrow, a school focused on natural resources.

Mary spent the latter years of her life living on Bainbridge Island, Washington, where she made many friends. She was very active in her local church, Eagle Harbor Congregational Church and volunteered at Bainbridge Island Volunteer Caregivers. She also spent much of her time in climate activism, working with Earth Ministries, an ecumenical religious organization that helps to bring awareness to the ongoing climate crisis. She also enjoyed being a great "Amona" to her four lovely grandchildren. Mary's bright light will be sorely missed by her family and all her friends.

Mary is survived by her daughter Mirén (Ron) First of Bainbridge Island and Piers (Hillary) Brown of Orange County, California, and her four grandchildren. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, William Clarence Brown, her sister, Eleanor L. Todd, and her beloved dogs Guapa and Carlo.

There was a memorial celebrating Mary's life on November 19, 2022, at 1:30 pm, at Eagle Harbor Congregational Church at 105 Winslow Way W, on Bainbridge Island, WA.

George Clifford Pratt- was born to George Cameron Pratt and Glenna Leone Milton Pratt on April 1, 1932, on the family farm in Rockford, Washington. He was the second of three children with his older brother Milton and his younger sister Joanne. George was baptized and placed on the cradle roll of the Rockford Methodist Church on August 19, 1932.

George attended school in Rockford from the first grade through high school. In addition to helping with farm chores, he played football, basketball, and baseball. He was a member of Future Farmers of America and the Boy Scouts of America. George achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

After graduating from Rockford High School, George attended Washington State University, but then transferred to Eastern Washington College of Education (EWC). It was there, while taking a class on the literature of the Bible, that he discerned a call to Christian ministry. It was also at EWC that he met his wife, Elizabeth Ann Baldwin. They were married on July 25, 1954, at Westminster Congregational Church in Spokane, Washington. Just a few weeks later, they traveled to Evanston, Illinois, where George began his training at Garrett Evangelical Seminary.

George served small churches while in seminary, and then after graduation returned to Washington State to begin his ministry at the Fall City United Methodist Church. He served the church in Fall City for thirteen years. It was there they raised their four children, Mary, Cathy, Jim, and Belinda.

As a part of his ministry, George led members of the church, community, and surrounding region to produce the Fall City Passion Play, which was performed on weekends leading up to Easter in the school gym from 1959 to 1988. He saw the power of theater to share faith and build community, and thus he led the group to expand beyond the annual passion play to form the Christian Players. The group purchased one hundred acres and built an amphitheater with a view of Snoqualmie Falls. In time, it became the Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater. Each summer, they offered weekend dinner theater with a steak barbecue and plays that ranged from melodrama to Shakespeare. He took a four-year leave from pastoral ministry to serve as executive director.

In 1976, George returned to pastoral ministry at the Seaview United Methodist Church in West Seattle, where he served for twenty years. He encouraged community engagement through hosting 12-step and other small groups at the church. He also built relationships with the growing community of Tongans in the Seattle area.

On behalf of the Pacific Northwest Conference of The United Methodist Church, George chaired the committee that led the celebration of the 250th anniversary of John Wesley's Aldersgate experience, a key moment in the development of the Methodist movement. He, once again, utilized theater to tell the story of John Wesley and other important leaders of the Methodist movement.

After his retirement, George became active in the retired clergy association. He encouraged his colleagues to write down and share the stories of their spiritual journeys at their monthly meetings. In 2011, George and Elizabeth moved to Wesley Homes in Des Moines where he lived until his death on August 3, 2022.

George was preceded in death by his parents, Cam and Leone, his brother Milt, and his son-in-law George Cooney. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth, his sister Joanne Abey, his daughter Mary Cooney, his daughter Catharine Morris (Peter), his son James Pratt (Karen Brubeck), and his daughter Belinda Burkitt (Chip). He is also survived by fifteen

grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Thursday, August 25th at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Wesley Gardens, 815 216th St., Des Moines. The Rev. Jeremy Smith officiated. Memorial gifts may be made to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) or the Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater, PO Box 249, Fall City, WA 98024.

Earl Page Cooper— was born in Amarillo, Tx. September 9, 1938. He came to the United Methodist Church by way of the N.W. Texas Conference and Iliff School of Theology in 1965. Once here in the Pacific Northwest, he was appointed to Waitsburg UMC; Port Townsend: Trinity; and then began appointed work in Spokane with the Division of Chaplains. He was Chaplain at Deaconess Hospital; Chaplain at Deaconess Medical Center; Mgr. of Pastoral Care, Deaconess Medical Center; all in Spokane WA, then to Yuma Regional Medical Center, Yuma, AZ; where he retired in 2008, but kept on as Chaplain there.

As a pastor, hospital chaplain, community mentor, teacher and volunteer, Earl Cooper was known for his compassion for those in greatest need. Earl changed the energy in a room! His graciousness pervaded his actions and his interest in others led him toward friendship and ease and peace. Conversations provided Earl great pleasure. He had a rare ability to pull someone in and make that person feel safe to talk and share while giving comfort and assurance. Earl showed up (usually late) any place he went, groomed & spiffy in splendid shirts and pressed jeans (preferably a dark navy color), and without fail he impressed animals, babies, grownups, - they all liked Earl best. Beaches, Starbucks, movie theaters, restaurants and wine cellars, horse barns, roping arenas, brew pubs and family dinner tables – these were Earl’s gathering places – he loved the human connection.

His second love was horses. HORSES made Earl happy! He’d grown up with them and felt at home with even the biggest, meanest, and most erratic horse and was convinced that, despite occasional minor weirdness, horses made good sense—their responses, abilities, steadiness, and horsey intuition. “Mr. Bill” and “Mr. T”- his two favorite horses over the years, were big-hipped quarter horses trained to rope steers but who defected to puppy-like behavior by following Earl around. At the boarding place for his own horses, others in nearby stalls vied noisily for Earl’s attention.

Dennis Reis, Dale Woodard, Pat Parelli, George Aros, Buck Brannaman – they all worked with or influenced Earl who made being a student a life-long pursuit by asking questions, traveling miles, sometimes over state lines, to out-of-the-way arenas, watching DVDs galore, interviewing anyone who seemed to know more about horses than he did.

Earl’s centeredness made him a pivot point, a leading man. He often took veterans and students to work with his horses: to brush them, to observe them. Through the horses, Earl created a sense of balance and love and acceptance for anyone who needed it. His focus and passion and deeply held beliefs were passed to every recipient with his conviction and blessing.

Earl Page Cooper died at sunset on August 29th, 2022, while under hospice care in Scottsdale, Arizona. He is survived by his beloved spouse, Penelope (Penny) Cooper in Scottsdale

AZ and their daughter Samantha Cooper of Knoxville, TN. His family invites you, if you are so inclined, to honor Earl with a donation to the following scholarship fund: Earl Page Cooper Scholarship, ATTN: Hunkapi Programs, 12051 N. 96th St., Scottsdale, AZ 85260

Walter Kenneth Sauer was born on Feb 4, 1926, in Ritzville, Washington to Rudolph and Bertha Sauer, the last of three children. The family later moved to Harrington, and Walter's family attended the Harrington Evangelical Church where he felt the call to serve in the ministry.

Walter enrolled in Whitworth College graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree. On June 6, 1948, he married Dolores Koch, also from Harrington. After Whitworth, he enrolled in Western Evangelical Seminary and received a Master of Divinity. During his time at Whitworth and Western Evangelical Seminary, Walter and Dolores had three children: Stephen, Rebecca, and Miriam. After ordination, he was assigned to pastor his home church in Harrington. During this time, Walter attended the US Army Chaplain School in New York City, after which he performed duties as a Chaplain in the Army Reserve in addition to serving the Harrington church.

In 1964, while serving as pastor at Seattle: Green Lake, Walter received orders to report for active duty with the US Army. He was assigned to the 4th Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington where he served as Chaplain to the 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment. During his 20-year career Walter also served two tours in Vietnam, as well as tours in Korea, Germany, and several locations in the United States. As a career officer he received a Purple Heart, a Bronze Star, and many other commendations. He retired after 20 years in the Service at the rank of Colonel.

After his military retirement, Walter continued to serve in the ministry in Sunsites, Arizona and as Chaplain at Rockwood Retirement South Hill, Spokane, Washington.

Walter was known as a man of his word. He was steady, reliable, and thoughtful. He kept in touch with, prayed for, and supported several missionaries and students throughout his life. He was gratefully remembered by men he ministered to in Vietnam. He prayed for each of his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren every day. When Dolores was diagnosed with Alzheimer's, he took care of her at home for many years and visited her every day after she was placed in memory care. Walter spent his final years living at Touchmark on the South Hill, where he was active in the community. He was greatly appreciated and respected by all at Touchmark.

Rev. Walter Kenneth Sauer died on June 28, 2022. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dolores Koch Sauer; his parents, Rudolph and Bertha Sauer; his brother Richard Sauer and sister Ruby Kelleher. He is survived by his children: Steve (Connie) Sauer, Portland, OR, Rebecca (John) Wilson, Spokane, WA, Miriam Piccard, Spokane, WA; his grandchildren: Sta'Cee (Jimmy) Godard, Steve (Shauna) Sauer, Tom (Claire) Sauer, Timothy (Shayna) Sauer, Martha Wilson, Andrew (Kumiko) Wilson, Sam (Susan) Wilson and Jenn (Curt) Black and his great-grandchildren: Annikah, Amelia, Titus and Adalie Godard, Nathan and Madison Sauer, Wilson Black, Makoto and Izumi Wilson, and another on the way.

Friends and family were invited to share in the Memorial Service, held on July 23, 2 pm at Touchmark: 2929 S Waterford Dr, Spokane, WA. The family would like to thank Horizon Hospice & Palliative Care for providing care for Walter in his last days. In lieu of flowers, charitable donations may be made in Walter's name to the charity of your choice. Matthew 25:23a, "His Lord said to him "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Larry S. Nicholson died peacefully at the age of 87 on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, in the presence of family in Hayesville, N.C. He was born on Sept. 10, 1935, to the late E.W. and Elizabeth Nicholson in Harrison, Arkansas. He was the oldest of six children and was always considered a provider for his family. He prided himself on hard work and the dedication it took to succeed.

He married his loving wife, Carolyn, in June 1960 and the two built a beautiful life together spanning decades of love, laughter and adventure. Larry graduated seminary at Southern Methodist University in 1965 and University of Puget Sound Law School in 1978 and was fulfilled by a life of ministry and serving others. He served several small congregations in Texas and Arkansas before moving out West to raise his family, where he served United Methodist Churches in the Pacific Northwest Conference: Tumwater-Littlerock, Mercer Island, Lewiston: First, Port Angeles: First, Walla Walla: Pioneer, and Kelso. He and Carolyn retired in 1998 and moved to Hayesville, N. C.

Everyone who knew Larry through his 40 years of ministry felt the impact of his big heart and giving nature; his kind spirit helped him inspire others to love and accept unconditionally through the grace of God. He never knew a stranger and was a natural at building relationships with anyone he ever met.

You would never find Larry without a book in his hand, a Sudoku puzzle to work on, or following an Atlanta Braves game on television or the radio. He was always up for a good debate and was a lifelong learner of new things.

Larry Nicholson is survived by his wife Carolyn; five children including three sons, Stephen and wife Lisa, Michael and wife Lesa, David and wife Jennifer, and two daughters, Patricia and Mary; ten grandchildren; three great grandchildren and one brother, Rodney. He is preceded in death by his parents and four siblings.

He leaves behind a legacy that will never be forgotten and has touched the hearts and lives of so many. We take comfort in knowing that Larry is now at peace surrounded by light and love.

Bill Doyle Smith aged 84, passed away peacefully Saturday, March 4, 2023, at home in Seattle, Washington. Born December 2, 1938, to Ben and Lillian (Dring) Smith, on a farm in Dundee, Kansas, the family moved to nearby Great Bend when Bill was four and his father was drafted to serve in WWII. Bill grew up with an older brother Pete and a younger brother Rich. His mother instilled a passion for the church and for education and was always concerned that Bill did his best. His dad instilled a strong work ethic, and Bill held a variety of jobs from a young age, including working at a dry cleaner before and after school, beginning in 6th grade. His best memory of his youth was playing second base for the Great Bend High School baseball team, crowned Kansas State Champions in

1955.

Bill attended the University of Kansas (KU), where he worked as a pastry chef at his scholarship hall and graduated with a BS in Education. His biggest thrill at KU was seeing Wilt Chamberlain play basketball for the Jayhawks, and in later years watching the Jayhawks play in Allen Fieldhouse and on television, including winning the NCAA Men's championship in 2022.

After graduating from KU, Bill taught social studies in Kansas City for a year before enrolling at Boston University School of Religion, and later, Cambridge University in England (where he was on the basketball team), and Yale Divinity School in New Haven, CT. Bill also spent a year as an intern at Union Church in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. Following graduation from Yale Divinity, Bill studied Urban Affairs at Indiana University and earned an MA in Political Science. He also, more importantly, met the love of his life Patricia Goering, also from Kansas, who also earned an MA in Political Science at IU. Bill and Patricia were married June 8, 1968.

After graduating, Bill and Patricia packed up their 1969 VW bus and headed west to Monroe, Washington, where Bill was appointed as pastor of Monroe United Methodist Church. Son Mark was born in 1970. Desiring more change, Bill, Patricia, and Mark headed to Wesley Methodist Church in Auckland, New Zealand in 1971 for a year-long pulpit exchange. Returning to Washington State, the family moved to Seattle in 1973, where daughter Jennifer was born. While in Seattle, Bill earned a Doctorate in Theological Studies from San Francisco School of Theology, where he wrote his thesis on stages of adult development. Before retiring, Bill served seven churches, most in the Pacific Northwest Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Favorite memories from ministry include starting a prison ministry and day care for families of inmates while at Monroe UMC, holding marriage enrichment weekends and parenting classes at Green Lake UMC, starting Light of the Hill UMC in South Hill (Puyallup), housing the homeless at Woodland Park UMC, and organizing and moderating two public forums on police reform and homelessness through Sandpoint UMC. Bill treasured the memories he made sharing life and faith with so many caring individuals during his time serving the church.

One of Bill and Patricia's favorite activities together was travel. Bill's fond memories include a cross country family camping trip in a Chevy Chevette; several sabbatical months in East Berlin where Patricia had a fellowship year; a sabbatical year in Romania which included teaching school; trips to Israel and to Nicaragua exploring political conflicts; and travel to the Soviet Union/Russia, Ukraine, Cambodia, Vietnam, and Morocco. Bill and Patricia also loved taking each of their six grandchildren on trips of their choice, when they turned 12.

When he retired in 2000, Bill and Patricia moved to Ocean Shores where Bill enjoyed gardening, playing tennis, and golfing. He had a beautiful garden there, became a Master Gardener, and served as president of the Grays Harbor County chapter. For many years Bill and Patricia also hosted friends for Ocean Shores' annual jazz weekends. In 2017 Bill and Patricia moved back to the house in Seattle where they had raised their children.

Bill transformed the extra lot at their home into a magnificent garden, a testament to his gardening skills and his love of beauty.

Rev. Bill is survived by Patricia Goering Smith, his wife of 54 years, daughter Jennifer Smith and grandchildren Jasmine and Fenêtre, and son Mark Smith and wife Amanda and grandchildren Anna, Lillian, James, and Hailey. He is also survived by brother Rich and wife Jeanne Smith and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service to celebrate Rev. Bill Smith's life was held at 2 pm, Saturday, March 25, 2023, at Sand Point United Methodist Church in Seattle, with a reception following in Perry Hall.

John Wesley Martin was born on March 13, 1929 in Wallace, Idaho where his father was Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He had seven siblings and was the last survivor. John is survived by his wife BJ (Betty Jane), and a blended family of eight children: Colleen Janiece Titman, Airway Heights, WA; John Frederick Martin, Clark-son, WA; Matthew Hinkle, DuPont, WA; Allen Hinkle and James Allen, Spokane, WA; Valarie Seitz and Mark Hinkle, Houston, TX; Bobbie Jo Allen, Tucson, AZ and a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Music was very important to his family, and his parents were fortunate in that his father's appointments during the Great Depression yielded qualified music teachers in the towns they were appointed to. Mrs. Beulah Long was an accredited violin instructor who gave private lessons in her home. She gave John's parents a discount rate of 25 cents for a half hour weekly. That began what would be a musical journey which ended in Olympia, WA in 1995.

John studied violin for six years and played the cello through high school and for two years in the Everett Symphonette while attending Everett Community College. John learned to play several different instruments and proved to be a reliable fill-in wherever needed. Basically, he played the baritone horn, or the sousaphone and he could play fill-in on the French and the e flat/f horn. Wherever he went he always found a group to play with. Some of his past associations were with the Omak Okanogan Inter City Band, the Shrine Band in Okanogan, the Eagles Band in Spokane, and the senior citizens band in Olympia.

John Martin graduated from the Vancouver School of Theology in British Columbia after a long process identifying his call. He began in our PNW Conference as a student local pastor, then to a FT Local Pastor, then to Associate Member, Probationary Member and finally in 1977, graduated from VST., and was assigned to Edwall-Reardan. (In those intervening years before becoming an Elder, he had served in Seattle: South Park; South Bend-Bay Center; transferred to OR-ID Conference 1966, returned to PNW 1967, Lakewood; La Conner: Deacon; Bellingham: Aldersgate: Probationary; Bellingham: Fair Haven and Bellingham: Garden Street as Associate.) Following John's graduation from seminary and ordination as an Elder, he asked to be appointed to a rural church. He was sent to the Davenport-Edwall circuit. John was in his 30's by this time. John loved small rural churches and preferred them. Next followed: Spokane: Liberty Park-Moran; Chaplain: Rockwood Manor in UMC Spokane; Orofino-Peck, ID; and Orofino-Peck-Caven-

dish. They retired in 1991. Upon retirement John and BJ purchased a home in Endicott, WA, a community of 237 people located in the Big Bend wheat country of Washington. During these times he drove school buses and cleaned cafeterias. A farmer came to John one day and said their pastor could no longer commute to their rural church. Would John fill in for a few Sundays? Eventually they chose John to be their pastor. It was a small, non-denominational German church. However, John did not like the pastoral requirements... but after several church meetings they were able to come to an agreement. Rev. John also served PeEll UMC in retirement in 2010.

How did they end up in Casa Grande, AZ? At one point, BJ (Betty Jane) worked for HUD housing for low-income families and John was her maintenance man. They moved to Tucson, AZ where BJ took a job as Property Manager at Carousel Ranch, a mobile home park. John got a call from the South District's District Superintendent. The resident Bishop had dismissed a pastor and asked John to conduct Good Friday services and then Easter Sunday as well. After that the District Superintendent called a meeting with John and asked him to serve in Benson, AZ. While in Benson, AZ the church built a Fellowship Hall as a stand-alone structure, built with 4 sliding doors so that it could be converted to classrooms. The Fellowship Hall on Wednesday evenings became filled with musicians consisting of guitars and harmonicas. Chairs were provided so the community could come and go as they wished. It became a community event/building for all. Up until this time, the Benson UMC had been a part time appointment but as the community activities had developed, they were ready for a full time pastor. It was at this time the District Superintendent asked if the Martin's would move to Douglas, AZ to serve Grace UMC, which was struggling. They could afford him in his retirement status!

There was a service to celebrate Rev. John's life, music, and ministries on Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 11 a.m. at the Casa Grande United Methodist Church, located at 1428 N. Pueblo Dr. in Casa Grande, Arizona. His passing is grieved by Betty Jane who misses him, whilst knowing he is in a more beautiful place, and he is missed by many in the Casa Grande community and at the UMC of Casa Grande, AZ. Well done, good and faithful servant!

SPOUSES OF RETIRED FULL MEMBERS

Carol B. (Bryan) Biles was born in Portland, Oregon on September 17, 1938, to Jessie and George “Bud” Bryan. She was born into a musical family, and picked up piano at an early age, given her mother taught piano lessons in their home. She was teaching piano lessons herself before she graduated from high school. She was the valedictorian at her high school graduation and went on to college: two years at Clark College, then transferred to University of Puget Sound for her last two years. She is remembered for her bright smile, hearty laugh, and love of music, especially church music. She graduated with a degree in Piano and Music and had a teaching certificate to teach elementary school.

The summer after graduation, she met David Biles, (newly graduated himself from U.W.)

when they were put on a task force of two, to devise a section of programming for a high school youth retreat about “being Christian and not losing one’s faith during the college years.” Their working relationship turned into a personal relationship, and they were married on August 21, 1960. David had plans for seminary, so off they went to Pacific School of Religion in Berkely, CA, where Carol got her first job teaching at an elementary school.

Following David’s seminary completion, he was appointed to St. John, WA, and off they went again. A wonderful story in the family is of the first autumn days in the first church in the small community of St. John: the morning dawn and Carol announces to David that the baby is on its way. They called the doctor. The Dr. advised them to get to the hospital, whereupon David gets Carol settled, then drives 2 hours back to St. John for his church service in this first appointment. Then, turned around and drove 2 hours back to the hospital and they were now a family of three. Gregory D. Biles came into the world during church on October 25, 1964. Three years later in Mead, WA, Cynthia A. Biles was born on Feb. 1, 1967, and completed their little family. (This writer does not know if she arrived during church.)

Carol’s ability on the piano and organ made her a wonderful addition to every church they were appointed to, as they always had a substitute when needed. She began a Community Choir, teaching others to love music. She became a staff member for the Girl Scouts organization. She became a counselor for Parents Anonymous to help and support others learning how to become good parents. She was a very involved parent to Cindy and Greg, wanting to know all the friends and staying integral in their lives in those formative years. She and Dave learned physical therapy for Greg when he was diagnosed with muscular dystrophy and advocated for Greg.

Later in life, Carol went back to school to become a Marriage and Family Therapist. She started at Seattle Pacific College and finished at W.S.U. because of a new church appointment. She had her first practice at the UW Counseling Center, located in the basement of the University Temple United Methodist Church, then later in Bremerton for 6 years, her private practice included service to many Navy families.

Carol was diagnosed with breast cancer later in life and was a proud finisher at the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk. She beat that challenge and moved on to work for the Council on Aging, and joined Jubilate, to keep singing. Carol LOVED a good cup of coffee. She loved the trip to Kenya which Jubilate took. Carol loved to travel, and the ocean beaches called. She loved to meet people on trips, explore the beaches and enjoy water activities. Did we say she truly loved a good cup of coffee? Four trips to Hawaii, a second trip to Scotland and a tour in Iceland got her excited to move to Iceland. Hurricane Katrina in 2005 created a formidable disaster and soon Carol was working on the disaster clean-up crews. Later, after they moved to Wesley Homes in 2012, she studied and became a part of the Hospice Team at Wesley.

Well done, good and faithful servant! What a beautiful witness of a servant of Christ with a song in her heart and a smile for everyone. She lived a very full life.

Carol died on December 18, 2022. She leaves behind her beloved spouse, Rev. David Biles and daughter Cynthia A. Biles of Seattle, WA. Their son Gregory D. Biles pre-deceased

Carol in April of 1988. A celebration of Carol's life was held at Kent United Methodist Church on April 15, 2023, at Kent United Methodist Church with Rev. Jim Head-Corliss officiating.

Sharyn Cooper McPherson died on Sunday morning January 15, 2023, after an illness of several months. The family is devastated at the passing of their beautiful and joyful wife, mom, sister, and dear friend. Only diagnosed in September 2022, she fought an incredible battle against an extremely aggressive cancer. She passed peacefully at home surrounded by some of her closest loved ones.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Rev. Richard (Dick) L. McPherson, her son Jeremy McPherson and wife Carmen McPherson, and daughter Jessica Thwaites and husband Tim Thwaites, and her beautiful grandchildren, Cooper and Madison McPherson and Henry and Lucille Thwaites, her sister Gaye Light, and her brother Thomas Cooper. Sharyn is predeceased by her loving parents, John and Joy Cooper, and her cherished brother Grant Cooper.

Sharyn and Richard were married on February 3, 1973. She lived a life of deep compassion, service and love and is remembered by countless dear ones as "best friend." There was a Celebration of Life for Sharyn on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at the Deer Park United Methodist Church in Pine, CO.

Charitable donations were asked to be given in her honor to Elevation Hospice <https://elevationhospice.com/donate> and/or to the Denver Chapter of Project Linus <https://www.projectlinus.org> Sharyn, an avid quilter, made numerous quilts for this organization, always thinking of and praying for each recipient. Sharyn was the very definition of unconditional, boundless love.

SURVIVING SPOUSES OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Arvada "Vada" Louise (Swain) McVicker - of Richland, WA died on June 28, 2022. As she went to sleep for the last time, she was surrounded by family expressing their love.

Arvada Louise Swain was born to Ethel and Guy Swain in Portland, Oregon, on October 18, 1927. Arriving 30 days early, her mother barely made it to the hospital, so she was born in the hospital elevator. Her eldest sibling Dorothy Olson (Oscar) was married with sons Eldon and Calvin Andrews, whom she grew up with. Her eldest brother John died in a work accident before she was born. Her closest brother Robert Swain, seven years her elder, served in WWII where he met his wife Dorothy, and they had two children Mark Swain and Carrie Turansky (Scott).

Her favorite childhood activity, Sunday family picnics at the beach, imprinted a love for family, sharing good food together, and the beach. During WWII, she worked at Manning's Cafeteria six hours a day and attended school four hours per day. She graduated from Portland's Franklin High School and then attended Oregon State College. She married Johnny McGilvra in August 1946. Johnny died unexpectedly the following year due

to complications of tuberculosis.

She continued her education at Willamette College and then moved to The Dalles, Oregon to live with the Burdette family who attended The Dalles Methodist Church. There she met the McVicker family including eldest son and returning WWII serviceman, Donovan E. McVicker. Vada volunteered at the hospital, where Don was hospitalized. She often read to Don, and they discovered shared interests, especially in God's Word. Upon return to his studies, their relationship continued with letters. They were married on June 26, 1949, at The Dalles Methodist Church. Vada and Don studied together at Wheaton College; but she ended her studies in 1951 to work at the post office to send funds to their parents.

Four children were born to this marriage: Carolyn Ruth, David Lars, Sandra Lynn, and Mary Kay. As the family grew, Vada participated in many communities as they followed Don's studies at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, CA, and pastorates across Washington state: Napavine (w/Baptist denom.), then acceptance into the United Methodist Church and the following appointments for the PNW Conference of the UMC: Cosmopolis, Ridgefield-Sara; Bellingham: Garden Street; Lacrosse; and as Associate at Richland: CUP.

In 1968, she and Don moved to Richland, WA where Don pursued his passion as pastor of Christian education at Central United Protestant Church (CUP), and the place Vada called home. She loved being part of the "Central family." In the 1970s alongside Don, she was part of Life in the Spirit seminars, helped guide a CUP trip to Israel and the summer intern program; and for decades, she co-hosted the weekly CUP Booktable. Her tuna noodle casserole and blueberry buckle coffee cake were staples at church potlucks. She found great fulfillment in being beside Don in ministry until his death from lymphoma on May 16, 1979.

In 1980, she began work at Fabricland in Uptown and for 12 years enjoyed the comradery and creativity she found there. She served for many years on the CUP Missions Committee. Her love for and involvement at Central Church remained steadfast and one of her favorite activities was Bible study. In 2002, she beat death and lived another two decades at Wynwood/Alterra/Brookdale where she served on multiple committees and found delight by encouraging fellow residents and staff. Among her fondest memories were annual beach outings with the McVicker siblings (Raleigh & Nancy, Margaret & Ned, and Mary) and a surprise 90th birthday celebration filled with the joy of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Vada was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, by her husband Johnny McGilvra in 1947, and by her husband Rev. Donovan E. McVicker in 1979. She is survived by daughter Carolyn McVicker Hanson (Gary), son David McVicker (Shanna), daughter Sandi Rasmussen (Bob), daughter Mary McVicker Camp (David), 9 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-granddaughter and another on the way, 3 sisters-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held at Central Church, 1124 Stevens Drive, Richland on Friday, July 22, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. A private family service was held earlier in the day at Einan's at Sunset, where her ashes were placed next to her husband, Rev. Don McVicker. Memorials

may be given to Central Church: Missions or Wind of the Spirit Ministries Northwest (Silverdale).

Elizabeth Ann (Baldwin) Pratt lived a life of praise to God. She was born on August 10, 1933, in Spokane, Washington. She was the second of three children born to Raleigh and Louise Baldwin. Along with her brother Robert and her sister Mary, she was surrounded by a loving family of grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. Her family instilled in her a deep devotion to God, expressed in a vibrant spirituality and commitment to a life of service to others.

After graduating from Lewis and Clark High School in Spokane, Elizabeth attended Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington and later transferred to Eastern Washington State College. It was there she met George Clifford Pratt of Rockford, Washington. He was the president of the student Christian association and had answered the call to ordained ministry in the Methodist Church. They were married on July 25, 1954 at Westminster Congregational Church in Spokane. Just a few weeks after the wedding, they headed to Evanston, Illinois where George attended Garrett Evangelical Seminary. Elizabeth fully embraced George's call to the parish ministry and worked side by side with him. She loved their many conversations on theology and the life of the church. While George was attending classes during the week, Elizabeth lived in the parsonage of their student appointment in Essex, Illinois. It was there they welcomed their first two children, Mary and Catharine. After graduation from seminary, they returned to Washington State. They were appointed to serve the Fall City Methodist Church. They added two more to their family, James and Belinda. Elizabeth was very busy in those years caring for four children, teaching Sunday School, singing in the choir and working with the Women's Society of Christian Service. She was also an active participant in the Fall City Passion Play and the formation of the Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater.

The family lived in Fall City for thirteen years. They then lived in Bellevue for four years while George served as executive director of the Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater. In 1976, George was appointed to the Seaview United Methodist Church in West Seattle. They served that church for 19 years, but then moved to their own home in West Seattle where they lived until 2012. Before moving from Fall City, Elizabeth began working for Weyerhaeuser counting logs at the Snoqualmie mill. She worked for Weyerhaeuser for 25 years moving from accounting to the research and development lab and ended her career as a lab technician.

Following her retirement, Elizabeth and George became very active with Seattle First United Methodist Church, as well as with the retired clergy and spouse association. She took advantage of every opportunity to visit her growing family of grandchildren: Cameron, Christopher, Danial, Jonathan, Michael, Anne, Hannah, Grace, Charles, Elizabeth, Claire, Jane, Noah and Nelly.

Elizabeth and George moved to Wesley Homes in Des Moines, Washington in 2012. Elizabeth became active in the life of the community and took on a leadership role with the weekly vesper service and other activities. Elizabeth moved from Wesley Homes shortly after George's death, which took place on August 3, 2022. She received loving care at an

adult family home until her death on November 26, 2022.

Elizabeth was known for her sincere love for others. She was a gifted listener, and always tried to learn people's names and to find out where they were from. It was not uncommon to find her sitting beside someone she had just met and listening to their life story. Music in general and hymns were a source of comfort and strength for her. She could be heard coming down the hallway humming. Even as her body became weak, she sang her faith in God her Maker and Savior. There was a memorial service celebrating Elizabeth's life on Monday, December 5th at 2:00 p.m. at Seattle First United Methodist Church, with Reverend Jeremy Smith officiating.

Virginia "Ginny" Louise (Wilkes) Berney, the eldest child of Gordon and Catherine (Fancher) Wilkes, was born July 1, 1929, in Portland, Oregon. When she was very young, the family moved to the Spokane, Washington area, where she graduated from West Valley High School in 1947. She attended Whitman College for the first two and a half years of her college career and then transferred to Washington State College, where she graduated in 1951 with a Bachelor of Sociology degree. She met William "Bill" Berney when attending Whitman College and they maintained their relationship while he was attending seminary at Garrett Biblical Institute in Evanston, Illinois. They married in June 1951, in the Spokane Valley, after completing their respective programs.

The newlyweds spent the summer in Independence, Iowa, where Bill did chaplaincy training in the Iowa Mental Health Hospital, and Virginia worked as a social worker. They then went on to New Haven, Connecticut, where Bill pursued graduate work at Yale Divinity School, completing a master's degree in Sacred Theology in the spring of 1952. Returning to the Northwest, the couple began a partnership in ministry in Moses Lake, Washington, when Bill was appointed to establish a new Methodist Church. The region was booming due to the Columbia Basin Project that brought irrigation water into the area. Over the five years spent in Moses Lake, the new church grew to 200 members. Daughters Gail and Ann were born during that time.

In 1957, Virginia and Bill moved to Grangeville, Idaho, where they served the Methodist Churches there and in White Bird. Daughters Joyce and Celia were born during that period. After four years, Virginia and the four daughters moved with Bill to Tacoma, Washington, when he was appointed to Bethany Methodist Church. While there, the Berneys added a baby son, John, to their family.

Three years later, in 1964, Bill was appointed to serve the Methodist Church in Pullman, Washington. Virginia relished the stimulation of a university town and appreciated contact with inquisitive university students as well as discussions of the social challenges of the times. In addition to her church involvements, she was very involved with Washington State University's International student program, hosting several foreign students for meals and holidays. She also provided hospitality for Job Corps men and women. Ten and a half years later, in 1974, Bill was assigned to the United Methodist Church in Renton, Washington, where both Bill and Virginia thrived. Virginia worked part-time in office administration through the years, but it was volunteer work that she found most fulfilling. Among their many involvements was helping to initiate an area feeding program and in-

roducing the Crop Walk (for hunger relief) to the Renton area. After ten and a half years in Renton, and a short stint at the Wenatchee First United Methodist Church, Virginia and Bill moved on to Garden Street United Methodist in Bellingham, Washington, where Bill completed his 40 years of full-time ministry. There, both he and Virginia found many opportunities for meaningful community involvement, including offering support to Central American refugees on their way to Canada. Through the couple's many moves over the years, Virginia embraced the opportunity to become a part of each new community and generously shared her talents and time.

At Bill's retirement in 1992, Virginia and Bill moved to Bill's childhood home in Walla Walla, Washington. They became active at both Pioneer United Methodist Church and the United Church of Christ church that was a block away and participated in a wide assortment of activities. An avid reader of all kinds of books, Virginia enjoyed regular gatherings with her book group. Other ventures included her PEO meetings, weekly bicycling excursions with friends, and gardening. Virginia and Bill together were volunteers at the State Penitentiary, where they worked with inmates to prepare them for the transition from prison.

Virginia and Bill were enthusiastic travelers. When their children were young, they camped in many state and national parks. Later they did a lot of international travel, some church-related, to India, Africa, Central and South America, Europe, the Middle East, Japan, and China. Spending time with Bishop Tutu in South Africa just after he received the Nobel Peace Prize was one of their most memorable experiences.

In 2007, Bill had a stroke caused by an infected heart valve. This sadly deprived him of his remarkable gift of language, so Ginny had new roles to take on. She made the decision in 2010 to move closer to family which led Ginny and Bill to move to Panorama in Lacey, Washington. There she served as a representative of her apartment building in the Panorama organization, participated in book discussion groups, and despite her husband's physical limitations, she signed them up for what turned out to be a wonderful trip to Costa Rica. She later moved to Bonaventure in Lacey for memory care.

Virginia will be remembered for her smile, warmth and hospitality and her genuine interest in others. She sincerely lived out her faith, working for peace and justice, and reaching out to those in need of food, sanctuary, and friendship. She applied her artistic talent and sewing skills to the creation of dozens of liturgical banners, clothes for her large family, upholstery projects, curtains, and quilts. She authored various articles, scripts for presentations and poems of all types, as well as writing several beautiful hymns. She was a pianist and accordionist, and many church congregants and members of her family will remember her playing for church services and sing-a-longs. The collection she had of Noah's Ark-inspired art objects, ornaments, toys, and cartoons, was extensive and one that friends, and family will always remember with a smile. In the coming years, many will miss the homemade Christmas cards and letters she and her husband lovingly designed and created each year. Indeed, her talents were many and she shared them generously.

Virginia Berney passed away on December 4, 2022. She is survived by daughters, Gail Schmunk (Peter) of Lacey, Ann Berney (Jane Appling) of Olympia, Joyce Berney (Scott

Corbett) of Portland, Celia Nightingale (David) of Olympia; son, John Berney of Seattle; and nine grandchildren, Stephen Schmunk and Hannah Price, Paulo Berney, Colin, Rebecca and Evan Corbett, Reed and Joel Nightingale, and Tabytha Berney; and three great-grandchildren, Novella, Grayson, and Noah. Virginia's beloved husband, Bill, and grandson, Jevyn Berney, predeceased her.

Lois Joanne (Lauby) Tipple loving wife, daughter, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother passed away peacefully on March 15, 2023. Lois was born on July 21, 1932, to Rev. Howard and Gwendolyn Lauby in Akron Ohio, the oldest of two children. She spent her early years in Akron/Canton, with extended family in the area.

While attending Cleveland Bible College, Lois met and married Ralph Tipple, and shortly after, they began their lifetime in ministry, serving at many Evangelical United Brethren churches and were eventually assigned to Fowler United Methodist in Spokane. Lois worked beside her husband, leading Sunday school classes and bible studies, along with anything associated with music, including choir, hand bells and playing piano and organ.

Lois earned a Bachelor of Sacred Music degree from Malone College, an AA in accounting from SCC and a BA in both accounting and business management from Whitworth College. With her accounting degree, Lois worked at Whitworth College in the financial office and Skyhawks Sports Camps.

Ralph and Lois loved to travel, leading tours to the Holy Land, China, Europe and Great Britain. She also loved all her extended family gathered on the holidays, in the large old Spokane home she and Ralph had transformed. He cooked and she provided fabulous music!

After Ralph passed away in 2012, Lois moved to Fairwood Retirement Village where she spent the remainder of her days. She enjoyed all the activities, not having to cook, and took several trips, visiting Iceland, Abu Dhabi, and cruised to Alaska and Mexico. She is survived by her children, Ralph, Brian (Lori), Phyllis (Steve) and Patricia (Jeff), 7 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren, along with sisters-in-law Carol and Audrey, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Ralph W. Tipple Jr., her parents, her sister Fae, and brother-in-law Carl.

A memorial service to celebrate the life of Lois Tipple was held March 30, 2023, at 12 noon at the Heritage Funeral Home in Spokane, WA.

Elizabeth Ann (Soper) Bachman was born in Arlington, WA on September 2, 1926, to parents Edward W. and Louise F. (Stilke) Soper. She grew up on what is known today as the "old Soper family dairy farm", 50 acres southeast of Arlington. When Elizabeth was four years old, they moved onto the farm. She was quoted for a story on the family farm, in the Everett Herald in 2012. "When we moved there, the pasture was full of burned-over stumps," Elizabeth said. "Gradually, my dad cleared all that area down below the house and also the patch down by the bridge." She also said her father spent most of his career as a state dairy inspector. The family's small herd, ranging from three to five cows, produced enough milk to pay for her to go to Washington State University. The Darigold company was supplied by this little farm, among many other little farms just like it. "Those cows

put my sister and me through college,” Elizabeth said. Soon after the family moved in, her mother, Louise Soper, hired a landscape architect from Edmonds to design the garden. It included much of the stone wall that still stands along the road. Jim Creek, during her childhood, teemed with salmon every fall. “I can remember wading across Jim Creek and not being able to wade across without having fish touch my ankles,” she said.

After college at WSU, Elizabeth met Clyde P. Bachman. She was getting her MA in Religion at Northwestern in Evanston, IL. She attended church on the campus of Garrett Evangelical

Theological Seminary and met Clyde Bachman there. He was attending Garrett. She wanted to be a pastor, but that avenue wasn’t yet open to her in the 1950’s.

They were married in Arlington, WA on August 15, 1953, and had three children, all boys: Charles, David, and Roger. Together they served the Methodist churches in East Wenatchee: Trinity; Monitor; Oroville; Arlington-Darrington; Spanaway; Yelm; and Battle Ground. They retired from church ministry in 1988.

In retirement, Elizabeth became a Master Gardener. She joined the Olympia Garden Club and had a large vegetable and flower garden. She was very active at Tumwater UMC. She spent time with her eight grandchildren, remained active in her local PEO group, sewed and quilted and read a couple new books every week!

RETIRED LOCAL PASTORS

Janice “Jan” Marie (Day) Rowe was born on September 23, 1947, to parents Jack Henry Day and Margaret Day in Renton, Washington. A “miracle baby” she was extremely premature and not expected to survive. Her parents wrapped her up in one of her father’s kerchiefs and fed her round an eye dropper every hour. Doctors were amazed when they returned for her first checkup.

Jan graduated from Renton High School in 1965, and attended Western Washington State College in Bellingham, WA where she earned degrees in Spanish Language and received her standard teaching certificate. It was there that she met her future husband William (Bill) H. Rowe.

Jan and Bill were married in 1970 and Jan began a long career in teaching. She taught at Eisenhower Middle School in Everett, WA for over 15 years and went on to teach Social Studies and Spanish at Lakeside Middle School in Seattle, WA from 1987 to 2002. In her last three years at Lakeside, she also served as Head of the Middle School History Department.

When she perceived a call to ministry, she left Lakeside to follow her call. In 2005, she received her Master of Divinity at the Iliff School of Theology in Denver, CO. Jan then returned to Seattle to serve the following churches: Renton: Kennydale; Seattle: Seaview UMC & Tongan Fellowship; Seattle: Green Lake; Renton: First; Seattle: Skyway; and Des

Moines UMC. She also worked in service to Shoreline: Ronald UMC for five years. She officially retired in 2019.

Jan's husband, Bill, predeceased her in 1997. She is survived by their three daughters, Meredith Lynn Rowe, Lindsay Erin Rowe (George Watters), and Mackenzie Lael Rowe. She loved nothing more than spending time with her three grandchildren, Chauncey, Odessa, and Leilani. She also leaves behind a brother and 3 sisters who will miss her dearly, one sister who is very familiar and dear to this conference, Joan Holms.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers gifts be given to the National Leiomyosarcoma Foundation (<https://nlmsf.org/>), an organization Jan was pleased to support.

A Celebration of Life was held Sunday, June 12, 2022, at 1:00 PM at Des Moines United Methodist Church, followed by a reception at the church.

Norma Kathleen “Kathy” (Sloan) Cottrell passed into eternal life on July 15, 2022, in Spokane, WA. Norma Kathleen (known to everyone as Kathy) was born January 16, 1933, in Detroit, Illinois to Clay and Marjorie (Ayers) Sloan as their first child and only daughter. Kathy grew up in Pittsfield, IL and graduated from high school in Pittsfield, IL. She attended the Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Springfield, Illinois and graduated from the University of Tennessee (Knoxville), receiving her RN degree.

Kathy met Paul Cottrell when Paul's mother Joyce invited Kathy and other out-of-town nursing students to her home to share a meal with the Cottrell family (and to meet her youngest son, Paul.) Kathy and Paul were married 3/23/1957, becoming parents to Mark and Jeffrey as life rolled along. As a US Air Force wife, Kathy served with Paul at many bases in the United States and at Goose Bay, Labrador, Canada, making a home for her family at each of Paul's duty stations until his retirement from the Air Force in 1980.

In 1980, Kathy and Paul settled in Spokane, WA, becoming active members of Audubon United Methodist Church, where they sang in the choir and volunteered with the Food Bank. They were both very active in the Walk to Emmaus movement. Kathy attended classes at Clairmont School of Theology. (Clairmont, CA) In 1998, Kathy fulfilled her calling of serving as a pastor in the UMC when she was appointed to Morton UMC, Morton, WA. She served at Morton UMC until retiring in 2004, then came out of retirement to serve as pastor at Trinity UMC in the Hillyard neighborhood of Spokane from 2005 through 2008.

Kathy's life was filled with artistic expression, from stitching prize-winning handmade garments for 4-H sewing contests, to working with stained glass, creating original hand-woven fiber art and painting in acrylics. Her sons share that she was a wonderful, loving, and caring wife and mother. She did love art and was loved by many and respected by all. Kathy was a blessing to all who knew her.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents and by her husband Paul. She is survived by her sons Mark Cottrell and Jeffrey Cottrell, as well as by her brother James T. Sloan. A memorial service to celebrate Kathy's gifts and graces was held August 25, 2022, at Audubon Park UMC, in Spokane, WA with Rev. Geoff Helton officiating.

BELOVED SERVANTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CONFERENCE WHO HAVE DIED SINCE THE LAST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Larry Monroe Anderson aged 75, went to be with his Lord and Savior on January 20, 2023 in Spokane WA. He was born on September 8th, 1947, in Tacoma, WA to Stanley E Anderson and Lilah E Anderson. Larry is survived by his sisters Janet E Slagle (Dan) Kennewick WA, Cheryl Anderson Parrill (Eric) McDermott, NV, brothers Stephen A Anderson Bremerton WA, Russell A Anderson Salt Lake UT, nephews Jason W Slagle (Trudy) Kennewick, Joshua M Slagle (Anna) Reno NV, niece Wendy N Slagle Kennewick, great nephew David J Slagle, great niece Faith E Slagle, and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, mother, sister Carol M Anderson, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Larry attended Lincoln High School in Tacoma, WA, where he was active in Voice of Christian Youth and graduated in 1965. He then went on to Washington State University where he was active in Campus Crusade for Christ and received a Bachelor of Arts in Math in 1969 and later a Master's of Education degree in 1978. Larry served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War for two years and was in the reserves after his overseas duty. Pastor Larry was serving as pastor at Reardan United Methodist Church when he died on Friday January 20, 2023.

Pastor Larry Anderson served in the PNW Conference at the Reardan United Methodist Church since 2005. He became a Certified Lay Minister in 2008. Prior to his service in the Pacific Northwest Conference, he had retired from 37 years as an educator at the middle and high school levels in Nishinomiya, Japan; Spokane, WA; Federal Way, WA; and as a Graduate Instructor at Washington State University in Pullman, WA.

In his free time, Larry enjoyed sharing the love of and salvation through his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as well as enjoying time with his family, his friends, cars, and books.

A Celebration of Life service for Larry will be held on Thursday, June 15th, 2023, at 2 pm at the Reardan United Methodist Church, 155 S Oak St. Reardan, WA 99029. Interment will take place at Tahoma National Cemetery. Donations may be made in his memory to Worldwide Heart to Heart (H2HCV.ORG) or PO Box 32275, Clackamas, OR 97015.

Bobbi Jean (Craig) Virta age 64, of Ferndale, WA passed away unexpectedly on Sunday morning, February 12th, 2023. Her beloved husband Pasi was with her. Bobbi was cherished by her family, friends, and community. She was a social justice advocate, faith leader, and artist. She exuded grace, kindness, wisdom, and generosity.

Bobbi was born on May 22, 1958, and received her diploma from Enumclaw Senior High School in 1976. She continued her education at Western Washington University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and graduated in 1980. Bobbi then continued her education at Seattle University, where she earned a Master of Divinity degree along with a post-MA certificate in Transforming Spirituality and Spiritual Direction. She served the United Church of Christ for over 32

years first as Christian Education Coordinator and later as an ordained minister.

Bobbi Virta served the Pacific Northwest Conference of the United Methodist Church in her appointments to Custer UMC, 2004-2006 and then to the United Church of Ferndale UMC, for 16 years, participating in United Methodist conference events where she represented the Methodist portion of her congregation well and where she made an impact upon everyone who knew her. She is very well known in our Conference, as she served as spiritual advisor to the Board of Ordained Ministry. She had recently retired. Her bright light of love, justice and compassion served one of the finest examples for us all to live by.

She was a beloved member of the Ferndale community. She was a founding member of "Connect Ferndale" a community organization working to develop community growth and connections through civic involvement and community building, thereby promoting inclusiveness and honoring diversity. She was fiercely courageous, curious, thoughtful, passionate, dedicated, and unconditionally loving. Bobbi was an incredible advocate and Interfaith Coalition Member for decades. Bobbi was also a member of The Bellingham Multifaith Network for Climate Justice, a Veriditas certified Advanced Labyrinth Facilitator, a certified Spiritual Director and a Zentangle Teacher. Her leadership in the community will be sorely missed.

Bobbi is survived by her loving husband, Pasi, of nearly 43 years, her son Mikael and his wife Michelle, their child Anders, her daughter Melissa and her husband Sam, their two children Benjamin and Henry, and her son Markus and his fiancé Emily. Her circle of love reached far and wide and included her extended family, chosen family, beloved friends, colleagues, and faith community. Bobbi's happy places were hiking, beach walking, birding, and making art, though she was happiest when she was with her grandchildren.

A memorial service and celebration of life was held on Saturday February 18, 2023 at the First Congregational Church of Bellingham. In lieu of flowers Bobbi's family asked for memorial donations to go to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (DVSAS) and/or The Interfaith Coalition of Whatcom County.

Denis G. Long, 89, died Sunday February 26 at Grangeville Health and Rehabilitation Center. Denis was born May 27, 1933, on the family ranch in the foothills southwest of Grangeville, to Ralph D. and Carrie Lee (Grant) Long. He attended school in Grangeville and graduated from the University of Idaho in 1956 with a B.S. in General Agriculture. After teaching at Salmon River High School for three years, he entered ranching with his father, which he continued until his death.

He married Anne A. Granville Payne on January 10, 1968. Denis's interests included history, reading, creative writing, family, and hunting. He also had an avid interest in skiing which he shared with many others as a ski instructor at Snowhaven. He was very proud of his ranch and family roots in the Grangeville area, dating back to the 1880's. He loved Hereford cattle, working in the woods and stewardship of his ranch.

He served on the board of the Idaho Soil and Water Conservation District and the Central Committee of the Idaho County Democrats. He was a member and Past Master of the Idaho Lodge #9 AF&AM of Idaho and Mountain Queen Chapter #11 Order of the

Eastern Star of Idaho. He was a Level II Certified Ski Instructor of the Pacific Northwest Ski Instructors Association.

He was a member of the White Bird Community Church. He was interested in theology and became a Certified Lay Minister in the United Methodist Church, assigned to the Grangeville Parish, which he served for 11 years, and then was assigned pastor to the Nezperce Community UMC Church.

Survivors include three children, Dean (JoAnn) Payne of Seattle, Jeff (Jeralyn) Payne of Grangeville, and Karen Payne (John Latimer) of Bellingham, WA; three grandchildren, Julia and Caroline Latimer of Bellingham, and Matthew Payne of Bainbridge Island, WA; and many, many friends that assisted, were there for him, and brightened his life in his later years.

Preceding him in death was his wife, Anne, and his infant brother Thomas.

A memorial service was held at 11 AM Saturday March 11, 2023, at the United Methodist Church in Grangeville. He requested that memorials be sent to the American Heart Association.

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Clergy and Laity Memoirs compiled and written by Cathy Lang

DISCONTINUED CHURCHES

East Wenatchee: Trinity United Methodist

On October 9, 2022, East Wenatchee: Trinity UMC faithfully completed 67 years of ministry. They honored that occasion with a special worship on the 67th anniversary of the first service held in 1955 at the home of Lewis and Alice Clark. The church was started shortly after Alcoa opened its plant in along the Columbia River when the community of East Wenatchee was growing rapidly.

The founding pastor was Ruth Lortz, one of the first women ordained in the Pacific Northwest Conference. Over the years it went on to welcome several pastors who were newly graduated seminary students. They brought enthusiasm and energy to the ministry. One of those pastors, Joyce O'Connor Magee, preached at that final worship.

Over the years the congregation had a passion for reaching out to the community. Among the first groups organized was the WSCS (predecessor of UMW). The United Women in Faith continued that tradition and will move that ministry to Wenatchee: First UMC. Youth ministry was another passion bringing many youth and their families into the life of the church.

Beginning in the 1990's Trinity was the first church in the Wenatchee Valley to welcome the LBGTQ+ community. The church hosted the local PFLAG group for many years. This led to the congregation not only welcoming LBGTQ+ folks to worship but also became a comfortable place for their friends and families.

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Gathering around the table and feeding the hungry were at the core of its ministry until the final days of ministry. Whether it was sharing a meal with one another or gathering food for those in need in the community, they had a heart for service. Fellowship time after worship became a lunch for everyone. Their annual Harvest Festival was a fundraising community event. For several years the youth challenged the adults to collect food for the Food Bank during the holiday season. During the pandemic they established a “Little Essential Pantry.” Even though the congregation was declining in numbers they carried on this ministry faithfully.

And the Master said, “Well done, good and faithful servant.”

Faithfully,

Julia Price

### **Pe Ell Methodist Church**

The first stones to mark the Pe Ell Methodist Church were put in place by people at God’s urging before Washington became a state. When the first settlers came, there were no churches, no schools, no roads, just trails. For some time prior to the presence of any preacher, a small band of believers, representing both Baptists and Methodists, met in the home of Mrs. William Hendricks, Pe Ell’s first postmaster.

In 1890, with the appointment of Rev. W.H. Ludwick, the group became Methodist Episcopal. Ground for construction of a church building was leased in 1892 on the corner of Cedar Street and Pe Ell Ave. Six years later, the lease was canceled and the property given to the church by Simeon C. Wheeler.

The church was a wooden structure built mostly by volunteer labor and, in later years, cables had to be strung from one side to the other to keep the walls from bursting out! It was dismantled in 1956 and its materials used to build a home on the site.

The first parsonage was adjacent to the church. Various sites became home for pastors (including one that burned to the ground in 1928) until 1991 when the church placed a modular home on property donated by the Justice family on Cedar street. The mortgage was burned 5 years later.

When a new school was built, the church bought the agricultural building, and after renovation to suit use as a church, moved to that location in 1954. The church was incorporated that year. The mortgage was paid off in 1962 and a Service of Dedication was held to “dedicate the building to the Glory of God and the service of men.”

All through the years, it has been the ladies’ organizations that have helped keep the church functioning, as well as funding mission projects. Oyster and chicken dinners, bazaars, basket socials, 2 different cookbooks, Valentine Luncheons, yard sales and other money-making schemes were instrumental in providing funds for the ministry of the ladies. Through their efforts, repairs have been made, new carpet, an organ and a bell were purchased, as well as other needs met as they arrive. In the early days, they also paid for the minister and for water to be piped into that first parsonage. In later years, they footed the bill for the church janitor.

Over the years, the church has participated in numerous community outreach programs, holding an annual Christmas re-gifting program for the locals, giving away school supplies and winter coats to the local school, supporting missionaries overseas, sending monetary support to victims of natural disaster and fundraising in partnership with several other churches to donate the gift of an “Ark” full of animals through the Heifer Project. We collaborated with the Kiwanis Club for years to run coffee stops on I5. We have given annual scholarships to graduating seniors from the local high school. We have hosted the baccalaureate service numerous times over the years. Our choir participated in a mass choir concert with area Methodist churches and we traveled down the road to the local Catholic church for an ecumenical service. We ran successful Bible School programs for several years and combined with the New Harvest Church one year. Our Sunday School program ranged from 80 in the Depression years to a handful or less in recent years.

In 1990, we celebrated our centennial with a special re-dedication service. We made it 32 more years, but the COVID shutdown cost us dearly. Because on-line church was not viable for us due to lack of technology, Ron sent out weekly mailings to our remaining members. We have done everything we can, but our numbers are just too small to continue. While once we numbered upwards of 70 adult members plus 50 or so children (in 1960), we are down to a handful of attendees.

For many years, the church was a two-point charge linked with other towns. In 1985, a new conference program called LIMPOP gave the Pe Ell church a full-time resident pastor. Mahlon and Lila Douglass came as volunteer lay pastors to serve the church. They were well loved and served our church for almost 11 years. They were followed by Barbara Firoved (4yrs), Forrest Ann Daniel (3yrs), Pastor Barb again (3 more yrs), Rev. John Martin (1 yr), Christy Osborne (3 yrs) and Ron Grant (8yrs) who retired in December on 2021. Since that time, services have been led by Hope Phillips using her father’s (a Lutheran minister) sermons.



# O. OUR HONORED DEAD

For lists of previously deceased clergy of this Conference and its predecessor conferences, see particularly: the 1942, 1972, 1982 and 2006 Journals of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, and the 1970 Journal of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference (E) of The United Methodist Church.

| No. | Name                              | Date and Place of Birth                | Date and Place of Death          |
|-----|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1.  | <i>Anderson, Rudolph A.</i>       | Apr. 12, 1903, Duluth, MN              | Oct. 14, 2005, Shoreline, WA     |
| 2.  | <i>Echelbarger, C. Kent</i>       | Jan. 10, 1925, Alderwood, WA           | Jan. 19, 2006, Fife, WA          |
| 3.  | <i>Jackson, Miles W.</i>          | Oct. 5, 1928, Lansing, MI              | Aug. 12, 2005, Blanchard, WA     |
| 4.  | <i>Jordan, Marvin Evan</i>        | Apr. 16, 1909, TX                      | May 30, 2006                     |
| 5.  | <i>Kete, Saimone L.</i>           | May 17, 1937, Fiji                     | Jan. 6, 2006, Shoreline, WA      |
| 6.  | <i>Liu, Tong Hui</i>              | May 16, 1931, Taiwan                   | June 20, 2005, Mercer Island, WA |
| 7.  | <i>Neiser, James Ray</i>          | July 25, 1914, Butler, PA              | Dec. 19, 2005, Centralia, WA     |
| 8.  | <i>Owen, Fred Ralph</i>           | Dec. 23, 1908, Astoria, OR             | Feb. 27, 2006                    |
| 9.  | <i>Perkins, Paul Gardner</i>      | July 30, 1913, Watertown, NY           | July 8, 2005, Vancouver, WA      |
| 10. | <i>Strance, William</i>           | Mar. 24, 1931                          | Jan. 29, 2006, Milwaukee, OR     |
| 11. | <i>Welch, Michael Allen</i>       | Jan. 17, 1941, Tacoma, WA              | Aug. 5, 2005, Spokane, WA        |
| 12. | <i>Albertson, Robert G.</i>       | Aug. 15, 1922, Greely, CO              | Feb. 6, 2007, Tacoma, WA         |
| 13. | <i>Baldwin, Kenneth Lynn</i>      | Dec. 14, 1928, Portland, OR            | Jan. 28, 2007, Kirkland, WA      |
| 14. | <i>Brackett, William John</i>     | Dec. 3, 1945, Detroit, MI              | Aug. 17, 2006, Marinette, WI     |
| 15. | <i>Freeman, Archibald N.</i>      | Dec. 27, 1938, Havana, FL              | Aug. 14, 2006, Kingman, AZ       |
| 16. | <i>MacArthur, Walter A.</i>       | May 12, 1916, Billings, MT             | Feb. 2, 2007, Des Moines, WA     |
| 17. | <i>Peterson, Kenneth Walter</i>   | Jan. 13, 1926, Port Angeles, WA        | Aug. 27, 2006, Tacoma, WA        |
| 18. | <i>Rounds, Edwin David</i>        | June 26, 1909, Portland, OR            | June 14, 2006, Portland, OR      |
| 19. | <i>Showalter, Leonard B.</i>      | Feb. 6, 1933, Monterey, CA             | June 9, 2006, Centralia, WA      |
| 20. | <i>Tuttle, G. Richard</i>         | Feb. 27, 1917, Swampscott, MA          | August 11, 2006, Seattle, WA     |
| 21. | <i>Andrews, William F.</i>        | April 13, 1921, Lansing, MI            | January 9, 2008, Des Moines, WA  |
| 22. | <i>Harding, Joe Andrew</i>        | July 8, 1929, Kennett, MO              | November 19, 2007, Albany, OR    |
| 23. | <i>Hibbard, Eugene W.</i>         | February 11, 1915, Singapore, Malaysia | May 10, 2008, Des Moines, WA     |
| 24. | <i>Irby, Jay P.</i>               | October 1, 1932, Maud, OK              | September 3, 2007, Norman, OK    |
| 25. | <i>Rieble, Frederick Benjamin</i> | April 17, 1915, Harrington, WA         | August 22, 2007, Wenatchee, WA   |
| 26. | <i>Santos Jr., Julian B.</i>      | Nov. 11, 1927 Manila, Philippines      | April 24, 2008, Philippines      |
| 27. | <i>Sutherland, Calvin J.</i>      | April 3, 1913, Stevensville, MT        | November 24, 2007                |
| 28. | <i>Uyemura, George</i>            | April 2, 1917, Portola, CA             | March 12, 2008, Portland, OR     |
| 29. | <i>Harrison, Robert Gordon</i>    | September 9, 1929 Honolulu, HI         | June 27, 2008 Oak Harbor, WA     |
| 30. | <i>Hicks, Robert Whitfield</i>    | October 2, 1914 Conyers, GA            | February 27, 2009 Lake Tapps, WA |
| 31. | <i>Imai, Gordon Shozo</i>         | Sep. 13, 1928 New Westminster, B.C.    | Nov. 22, 2008 Mission, B.C.      |
| 32. | <i>Larson, Randall William</i>    | July 18, 1920 Muskegon Heights, MI     | May 30, 2008 Puyallup, WA        |
| 33. | <i>Moffett, Barrett J.</i>        | July 2, 1955 Brigham City, UT          | November 5, 2008 Clarkston, WA   |
| 34. | <i>Welch, William Arlgh</i>       | March 10, 1922 Pasadena, CA            | June 18, 2008 Seattle, WA        |

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|-----|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 35. | <i>Wischmeier, Ac Chester</i>         | February 15, 1916 Hagerstown, IN   | January 10, 2009 Holland, OH     |
| 36. | <i>Countryman, Kenneth Wesley</i>     | May 21, 1912 Monroe, WA            | November 29, 2009 Lacey, WA      |
| 37. | <i>Dooley, Kenneth Duane</i>          | November 11, 1924 Horton, KS       | July 17, 2009 Port Angeles, WA   |
| 38. | <i>Green Sr., Floyd Evered</i>        | Feb. 27, 1921 Mariaville, NE       | October 1, 2009 Bothell, WA      |
| 39. | <i>Hunsberger, Paul Ira</i>           | April 3, 1916 Chaseley, ND         | December 2, 2009 Burien, WA      |
| 40. | <i>Moller, Donald Roy</i>             | April 10, 1936 Spokane, WA         | April 23, 2010 Spokane, WA       |
| 41. | <i>Smith, Richard Sylvester</i>       | December 21, 1928 Bangor, ME       | January 15, 2010 Sacramento, CA  |
| 42. | <i>Soltman, John Clemens</i>          | August 17, 1919 Pontiac, MI        | February 5, 2010 Lacey, WA       |
| 43. | <i>Vance, James Henry</i>             | February 10, 1921 Dayton, OH       | May 22, 2010 Redmond, WA         |
| 44. | <i>Campbell, Arthur Dwight</i>        | July 31, 1928 Darrington, WA       | Nov. 15, 2010 Des Moines, WA     |
| 45. | <i>Elliott, Roselyn Smutz</i>         | June 23, 1930 Joseph, OR           | November 19, 2010 Woodburn, OR   |
| 46. | <i>Hamlin, Paul Edmund</i>            | December 14, 1915 Chicago, IL      | June 22, 2010 Spokane, WA        |
| 47. | <i>Huff, Harold Scott</i>             | February 12, 1919 Portland, OR     | January 20, 2011 Des Moines, WA  |
| 48. | <i>Johnson, Edward Pierce</i>         | June 1, 1921 Columbus, OH          | December 15, 2010 Claremont, CA  |
| 49. | <i>Justad, Joseph Alan</i>            | July 20, 1922 St. Louis Park, MN   | August 18, 2010 Bothell, WA      |
| 50. | <i>Madden, Terence Edward</i>         | October 23, 1955 Oceanview, NY     | June 19, 2010 Forks, WA          |
| 51. | <i>Phillips, John William</i>         | May 16, 1920 Hugoton, KS           | October 18, 2010 Tacoma, WA      |
| 52. | <i>Smith, Eugene Vincent</i>          | June 20, 1929 Seattle, WA          | June 29, 2010 Monroe, WA         |
| 53. | <i>Stout, J. (Joel) Dean</i>          | June 13, 1926 Hammon, OK           | April 4, 2011 Chelan, WA         |
| 54. | <i>Swoboda, Eleanor Justice</i>       | July 12, 1929 Gooding, ID          | April 25, 2011 Kennewick, WA     |
| 55. | <i>Thomas, Robert Harold</i>          | June 3, 1929 Erie, IL              | June 27, 2010 Vancouver, WA      |
| 56. | <i>Tooley, LaVern Edgar</i>           | November 3, 1918 Black Hawk, WI    | April 1, 2011 Shelton, WA        |
| 57. | <i>Buford, William A.</i>             | October 7, 1923 Akron, OH          | March 29, 2012 Des Moines, WA    |
| 58. | <i>Campbell, L. Marshall</i>          | November 29, 1926 Darrington, WA   | March 9, 2012 Des Moines, WA     |
| 59. | <i>Lane, James McFarland</i>          | April 13, 1914 Zanesville, OH      | July 16, 2011 Des Moines, WA     |
| 60. | <i>Olive, Jack Duane</i>              | September 7, 1949 Tacoma, WA       | January 9, 2012 Seattle, WA      |
| 61. | <i>Rarden, Fred Arnold</i>            | May 31, 1928 La Junta, CO          | April 13, 2012 Chelan, WA        |
| 62. | <i>Tipple, Ralph Waldo Jr.</i>        | September 22, 1928 Toledo, OH      | April 20, 2012 Spokane, WA       |
| 63. | <i>Whitt, John Franklin</i>           | June 20, 1924 Roxboro, NC          | June 19, 2011 Tacoma, WA         |
| 64. | <i>Andrews, Milton Paul Jr.</i>       | June 16, 1922 Oklahoma City, OK    | February 14, 2013 Des Moines, WA |
| 65. | <i>Beal, Carl Burdette</i>            | March 30, 1927 Glen Allen, MO      | October 20, 2012 Orting, WA      |
| 66. | <i>Boyd, Carl Richard (Dick)</i>      | January 24, 1932 Leslie, AR        | March 24, 2013 Walla Walla, WA   |
| 67. | <i>Hughes, Robert Epperson (Bob)</i>  | January 18, 1928 Gadsden, AL       | December 9, 2012 Issaquah, WA    |
| 68. | <i>Kallis, Eric Leonard</i>           | Apr. 2, 1928 Lampman, Saskatchewan | November 26, 2012 Vancouver, WA  |
| 69. | <i>Kuntz, Stanley Robert</i>          | August 31, 1926 Pueblo, CO         | April 17, 2013 Des Moines, WA    |
| 70. | <i>Linnemann, Lawrence John</i>       | June 15, 1921 Newark, NJ           | Sep. 12, 2012 Bellingham, WA     |
| 71. | <i>Semke, Charles Wesley</i>          | Dec. 11, 1924 Oklahoma City, OK    | October 12, 2012 Plymouth, MN    |
| 72. | <i>Shields, Doyle Ellsworth (Des)</i> | July 24, 1925 Guy Mills, PA        | March 12, 2013 Ventura, CA       |
| 73. | <i>Walker, Daniel Downing</i>         | December 28, 1915 Ten Mile, OR     | March 9, 2013 San Diego, CA      |



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|------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 74.  | <i>Dean, Earl Leroy</i>               | October 9, 1923 Lyman, WA                    | August 3, 2013 Blaine, WA           |
| 75.  | <i>Kline, Marion</i>                  | April 22, 1911 Seattle, WA                   | February 4, 2014 Des Moines, WA     |
| 76.  | <i>Ortmeyer, Robert Henry</i>         | March 17, 1917 Charles City, IA              | Dec. 11, 2013 Des Moines, WA        |
| 77.  | <i>Reynolds, James Lewis</i>          | August 26, 1938 Continental, OH              | July 9, 2013 Port Orchard, WA       |
| 78.  | <i>Ritchey, William Harry</i>         | June 17, 1919 Roberts, ID                    | October 1, 2013 Gig Harbor, WA      |
| 79.  | <i>Seiber, Richard Allan</i>          | November 15, 1932 Los Angeles, CA            | June 19, 2013 University Place, WA  |
| 80.  | <i>Smith, Daniel Pierce</i>           | March 22, 1938 Chattanooga, TN               | January 26, 2014 Bothell, WA        |
| 81.  | <i>Aiton, Clinton Alexander</i>       | September 25, 1926 Sidney, MT                | March 13, 2015 Kirkland, WA         |
| 82.  | <i>Canlas, Querubin D. (Ben)</i>      | June 15, 1929 Concepcion Tarlac, Philippines | October 15, 2014 Seattle, WA        |
| 83.  | <i>Groves, Everett Louis</i>          | July 23, 1916 Aitkin, MN                     | June 4, 2014 Lacey, WA              |
| 84.  | <i>Kalso, Milton Lloyd</i>            | September 25, 1925 Mt. Vernon, WA            | Dec. 16, 2014 Mt. Vernon, WA        |
| 85.  | <i>Parker, Bruce Gordon</i>           | May 3, 1926 Tacoma, WA                       | January 29, 2015 Seattle, WA        |
| 86.  | <i>Severns, Muriel Smock Miller</i>   | May 26, 1930 Sharon, PA                      | February 15, 2015 Kent, WA          |
| 87.  | <i>Starr Jr., Edgar Lee</i>           | August 20, 1932 Jackson, MS                  | September 5, 2014 Des Moines, WA    |
| 88.  | <i>Stevenson, Robert Milligan</i>     | August 14, 1938 Indiana, PA                  | January 26, 2015 Pt. Townsend, WA   |
| 89.  | <i>Strunk, Leon Everett</i>           | June 20, 1925 Vancouver, WA                  | May 8, 2015 Asheville, NC           |
| 90.  | <i>Bachman, Clyde Phillips</i>        | July 14, 1922 Minneapolis, MN                | December 26, 2015 Tumwater, WA      |
| 91.  | <i>Cate, William (Bill) Burke</i>     | March 25, 1924 Itasca, TX                    | January 13, 2016 Bellevue, WA       |
| 92.  | <i>Hersh, Edgar Clarence</i>          | November 21, 1927 Allentown, PA              | Nov. 29, 2016 Woodinville, WA       |
| 93.  | <i>Hyde, Murray V.</i>                | September 20, 1920 Castle Rock, WA           | October 18, 2015 Castle Rock, WA    |
| 94.  | <i>Kaelin, Donald Reed</i>            | July 2, 1924 Spokane, WA                     | August 24, 2015 Coeur d'Alene, ID   |
| 95.  | <i>Knutson, Evelyn Elizabeth</i>      | August 4, 1931 Index, WA                     | April 3, 2016 Seattle, WA           |
| 96.  | <i>Lyon, Robert (Bob) Jay</i>         | September 14, 1926 Eagle River, WI           | April 29, 2016 Olympia, WA          |
| 97.  | <i>Pitts, Howard S.</i>               | September 17, 1918 Los Angeles, CA           | October 25, 2015 Des Moines, WA     |
| 98.  | <i>Strong, Troy Marion</i>            | August 21, 1922 Berea, KY                    | May 25, 2016 Des Moines, WA         |
| 99.  | <i>Berney, William (Bill) Grant</i>   | June 17, 1927 Walla Walla, WA                | January 31, 2017 Lacey, WA          |
| 100. | <i>Brizee, Robert (Bob) Louis</i>     | June 17, 1933 Twin Falls, ID                 | June 28, 2016 Wenatchee, WA         |
| 101. | <i>Brown Jr., George C.</i>           | January 5, 1928 St. Louis, MO                | January 7, 2017 Everett, WA         |
| 102. | <i>Carlson, Leroy Frederick</i>       | December 24, 1922 Yakima, WA                 | June 2, 2016 Gig Harbor, WA         |
| 103. | <i>Hanson, Coriless Victor</i>        | April 4, 1930 Madawaska, ME                  | September 29, 2016 Lacey, WA        |
| 104. | <i>Huston, Douglas Ervin</i>          | June 9, 1952 Richmond Beach, WA              | February 18, 2017 Bremerton, WA     |
| 105. | <i>Morgan, M. (Melvin) Chester</i>    | July 7, 1922 Blaine, CO                      | August 3, 2016 Seattle, WA          |
| 106. | <i>Peterson, Frank Newell</i>         | July 16, 1927 Bellingham, WA                 | February 27, 2017 Tacoma, WA        |
| 107. | <i>Schaub, Wayne Ralph</i>            | September 16, 1933 Aurora, IL                | January 31, 2017 Anacortes, WA      |
| 108. | <i>Waller, Robert (Bob) Frederick</i> | July 15, 1922 Missoula, MT                   | Feb. 14, 2017 Bainbridge Island, WA |
| 109. | <i>Aasen, David Lawrence</i>          | May 28, 1923 Eau Claire, WI                  | October 8, 2017 Seattle, WA         |
| 110. | <i>Aleona, Laurie Yvonne Jones</i>    | December 27, 1939 Aberdeen, WA               | October 4, 2017 Tacoma, WA          |
| 111. | <i>Brown, Christie Anne Lagergren</i> | August 16, 1948 Bremerton, WA                | March 21, 2018 Burien, WA           |
| 112. | <i>Griffen, Wayne Donald</i>          | September 14, 1917 Great Falls, MT           | March 3, 2018 Des Moines, WA        |

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|------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 113. | <i>Grseclose, Kelvin Bruce</i>          | November 14, 1940 McMinnville, OR      | June 29, 2017 Wenatchee, WA         |
| 114. | <i>Iwamoto, Edward Toshio</i>           | September 9, 1932 Lompoc, CA           | November 27, 2017 Kirkland, WA      |
| 115. | <i>Johnson, Ronald Kent</i>             | June 29, 1924 Lewiston, ID             | October 30, 2017 Des Moines, WA     |
| 116. | <i>Kester, Eugene Floyd</i>             | May 27, 1927 Marshfield/Coos Bay OR    | September 3, 2017 Tacoma, WA        |
| 117. | <i>Roberts, Robert (Bob) Russell.</i>   | May 13, 1937 Spokane, WA               | June 24, 2017 Spokane, WA           |
| 118. | <i>Steeb, Donald Earl</i>               | March 20, 1927 Pittsburgh, PA          | January 25, 2018 Bothell, WA        |
| 119. | <i>Warren, Larry Michael</i>            | November 25, 1946 Bonne Terre, MO      | June 29, 2017 Olympia, WA           |
| 120. | <i>Ankeny, C. (Charles) Wendell</i>     | June 21, 1934 Blue Earth, MN           | July 15, 2018 Port Townsend, WA     |
| 121. | <i>Eldred, Laurence M.</i>              | June 10, 1924 Cosmopolis, WA           | March 4, 2019 Wenatchee, WA         |
| 122. | <i>Giri, Mahesh Ram</i>                 | January 1, 1941 Nausori, Fiji Islands  | March 20, 2019 Shoreline, WA        |
| 123. | <i>Maness Jr., Charles M.</i>           | April 3, 1925                          | May 25, 2018 Olympia, WA            |
| 124. | <i>Short, Jonathan Albert</i>           | August 2, 1957 Honolulu, HI            | Nov. 30, 2018 Federal Way, WA       |
| 125. | <i>Bruce Edward Cornely</i>             | November 10, 1933 Portland, OR         | May 16, 2020 Kennewick, WA          |
| 126. | <i>Franklin A. Nash, Jr.</i>            | December 6, 1932 Vicksburg, MS         | February 17, 2020, Hopkinsville, KY |
| 127. | <i>Harold (Hal) Orvis Perry, Jr.</i>    | May 26, 1936 Sioux Falls, SD           | June 16, 2019 Seattle, WA           |
| 128. | <i>Edwin Bradford Towle</i>             | January 24, 1925 New Haven, CT         | May 31, 2019 Des Moines, WA         |
| 129. | <i>Robert Charles Fred Vahey</i>        | August 11, 1936 Los Angeles, CA        | November 11, 2020, WA               |
| 130. | <i>Thomas Charles Slate</i>             | August 6, 1918 Morehead City, NC       | January 20, 2021 Puyallup, WA       |
| 131. | <i>Milton Wesley Arms</i>               | September 3, 1922 Rosholt, SD          | March 21, 2021 Gig Harbor, WA       |
| 132. | <i>James Arthur Graham</i>              | November 11, 1938 Augusta, WI          | April 27, 2021 Walla Walla, WA      |
| 133. | <i>Raymond C. Hanke</i>                 | July 9, 1952 Lexington, KY             | April 17, 2021 Phoenix, AZ          |
| 134. | <i>Kathy Lee Mecklenburg Kramer</i>     | January 20, 1947 Ames, IA              | December 5, 2020 Tekoa, WA          |
| 135. | <i>Carolyn E. Freeborg Krupke</i>       | July 12, 1928 Spokane, WA              | July 27, 2020 Spokane, WA           |
| 136. | <i>Phyllis Joyce Todd</i>               | June 21, 1937, NY                      | May 25, 2021 Spokane, WA            |
| 137. | <i>Maxine (Miki) Shaw Craighead</i>     | December 30, 1928, Tacoma, WA          | December 5, 2020 Puyallup, WA       |
| 138. | <i>Baker Jr., Walter "Stan" Stanley</i> | February 20, 1935 Dunn, NC             | June 22, 2021 Chehalis, WA          |
| 139. | <i>Schnee, Gordon LeRoy</i>             | June 26, 1942                          | August 17, 2021 Aberdeen, WA        |
| 140. | <i>Finkbeiner, Melvin Mathew</i>        | January 2, 1922 Connell, WA            | December 18, 2021 Des Moines, WA    |
| 141. | <i>Walker, Robert "Bob"</i>             | November 26, 1931 Portland, OR         | January 6, 2022 Lacey, WA           |
| 142. | <i>Thuirer, James "Jim" Edwin</i>       | June 3, 1939 Spencer, IA               | February 7, 2022 Des Moines, WA     |
| 143. | <i>Stierwalt, Rollin Earl</i>           | August 11, 1937 Lewiston, ID           | March 16, 2022 Auburn, WA           |
| 144. | <i>Spaur, Larry Edwin</i>               | February 19, 1949 Didsbury, AB, Canada | April 22, 2022 Richland, WA         |
| 145. | <i>Martin, Thomas Ray</i>               | June 4, 1935 Yakima, WA                | May 18, 2022 Tacoma, WA             |
| 146. | <i>Parish, Harold Emerson</i>           | April 3, 1925 Winnebago, MN            | September 14, 2021 Spokane, WA      |
| 147. | <i>Maddux, Marvin Andrew</i>            | November 30, 1932                      | May 19, 2022 Custer, WA             |
| 148. | <i>Lawson, Norman Roger</i>             | June 6, 1931 Mount Vernon, WA          | July 8, 2022 Puyallup, WA           |
| 149. | <i>Hullin, David Gary</i>               | September 4, 1941 Seattle, WA          | July 26, 2022 Mercer Island, WA     |
| 150. | <i>Brown, Mary Karen</i>                | March 17, 1935 Los Angeles, CA         | August 1, 2022 Bainbridge, WA       |
| 151. | <i>Pratt, George Clifford</i>           | April 1, 1932 Rockford, WA             | August 3, 2022 Des Moines, WA       |

| No.  | Name                             | Date and Place of Birth         | Date and Place of Death         |
|------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 152. | <i>Cooper, Earl Page</i>         | September 9, 1938 Amarillo, TX  | August 20, 2022 Scottsdale, AZ  |
| 153. | <i>Sauer, Walter Kenneth</i>     | February 4, 1926 Ritzville, WA  | July 28, 2022 Spokane, WA       |
| 154. | <i>Nicholson, Larry S.</i>       | September 10, 1935 Harrison, AR | January 24, 2023 Hayesville, NC |
| 155. | <i>Smith, Bill Doyle</i>         | December 2, 1938 Dundee, KS     | March 4, 2023 Seattle, WA       |
| 156. | <i>Walker, James "Jim" Harry</i> | August 31, 1939 Toledo, OH      | April 12, 2023 Lewiston, ID     |
| 157. | <i>Martin, John Wesley</i>       | March 13, 1935 Wallace, ID      | May 14, 2023 Casa Grande, AZ    |



P. HISTORICAL

The Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church is a continuation of the work of the Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren Church and their predecessor churches in Washington and Northern Idaho. Although these two churches united in 1968 to form The United Methodist Church, it was not until 1971 that their successor conferences in this area participated in a merger which joined the Washington-northern Idaho portion of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference (E), formerly EUB, with the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference (M), formerly Methodist, to form the present Conference.

Pertinent historical data is to be found in the journals of this Conference and its predecessors. The 1972 *Journal* of the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church brings together material concerning all of its predecessor conferences.

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A. ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

| #  | Year | Date       | Place       | Bishop    | Secretary    | Treasurer    | Statistician  |
|----|------|------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1  | 1971 | June 9-13  | Tacoma      | Sparks    | F.A. Rarden  | R.W. Stevens | R.J. Lyon     |
| 2  | 1972 | June 14-18 | Tacoma      | Sparks    | E.F. Altes   | R.W. Stevens | J.W. Reinmuth |
| 3  | 1972 | October 6  | Tacoma      | Sparks    | E.F. Altes   | R.W. Stevens | J.W. Reinmuth |
| 4  | 1973 | June 6-10  | Spokane     | Choy      | E.F. Altes   | R.W. Stevens | J.W. Reinmuth |
| 5  | 1974 | June 12-16 | Tacoma      | Choy      | E.F. Altes   | R.W. Stevens | J.W. Reinmuth |
| 6  | 1975 | June 11-15 | Tacoma      | Choy      | E.F. Altes   | R.W. Stevens | J.W. Reinmuth |
| 7  | 1976 | June 16-20 | Tacoma      | Choy      | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | J.W. Reinmuth |
| 8  | 1977 | June 15-19 | Seattle     | Choy      | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | R.L. Hines    |
| 9  | 1978 | June 14-18 | Pullman     | Choy      | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | R.L. Hines    |
| 10 | 1979 | June 13-17 | Tacoma      | Choy      | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | R.L. Hines    |
| 11 | 1980 | June 11-15 | Tacoma      | Choy      | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | R.L. Hines    |
| 12 | 1981 | June 17-21 | Tacoma      | Talbert   | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | D.L. Magnuson |
| 13 | 1982 | June 16-20 | Spokane     | Talbert   | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 14 | 1983 | June 15-19 | Tacoma      | Talbert   | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 15 | 1984 | June 13-17 | Tacoma      | Talbert   | R.K. Johnson | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 16 | 1985 | June 19-23 | Tacoma      | Talbert   | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 17 | 1986 | June 18-22 | Walla Walla | Talbert   | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 18 | 1987 | June 17-21 | Tacoma      | Talbert   | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 19 | 1988 | June 15-19 | Tacoma      | Talbert   | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 20 | 1989 | June 14-18 | Tacoma      | McConnell | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 21 | 1990 | June 13-17 | Moscow, ID  | McConnell | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 22 | 1991 | June 12-16 | Tacoma      | McConnell | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 23 | 1992 | June 17-21 | Tacoma      | McConnell | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 24 | 1993 | June 16-20 | Tacoma      | McConnell | E.B. Towle   | R.W. Stevens | K.D. Dooley   |
| 25 | 1994 | June 15-19 | Spokane     | McConnell | W.F. Andrews | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 26 | 1995 | June 14-18 | Tacoma      | McConnell | W.F. Andrews | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 27 | 1996 | June 19-23 | Tacoma      | McConnell | W.E. Stanton | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 28 | 1997 | June 18-22 | Tacoma      | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 29 | 1998 | June 17-21 | Tacoma      | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 30 | 1999 | June 17-20 | Moscow, ID  | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 31 | 2000 | June 14-18 | Tacoma      | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | R.W. Stevens | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 32 | 2001 | June 13-17 | Tacoma      | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | C.A. Parrish | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 33 | 2002 | June 12-16 | Tacoma      | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | C.A. Parrish | W.D. Romeijn  |
| 34 | 2003 | June 18-22 | Tacoma      | Galvan    | W.E. Stanton | C.A. Parrish | W.D. Romeijn  |

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2023 PNWAC

| #  | Year | Date       | Place        | Bishop             | Secretary           | Treasurer           | Statistician            |
|----|------|------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 35 | 2004 | June 23-27 | Moscow, ID   | <i>Galvan</i>      | <i>W.E. Stanton</i> | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>W.D. Romeijn</i>     |
| 36 | 2005 | June 15-18 | Tacoma       | <i>Paup</i>        | <i>W.E. Stanton</i> | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 37 | 2006 | June 14-17 | Tacoma       | <i>Paup</i>        | <i>G. Kymn</i>      | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 38 | 2007 | June 12-16 | Tacoma       | <i>Paup</i>        | <i>G. Kymn</i>      | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 39 | 2008 | June 17-20 | Moscow, ID   | <i>Paup</i>        | <i>G. Kymn</i>      | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 40 | 2009 | June 18-21 | Tacoma       | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>J. Shaffer</i>   | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 41 | 2010 | June 18-21 | Tacoma       | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>J. Shaffer</i>   | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 42 | 2011 | June 22-26 | Pasco        | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>J. Shaffer</i>   | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>D.P. Smith</i>       |
| 43 | 2012 | June 21-24 | Pasco        | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>J. Shaffer</i>   | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>B. Henshaw</i>       |
| 44 | 2013 | June 14-16 | Wenatchee    | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>C.A. Parrish</i> | <i>B. Henshaw</i>       |
| 45 | 2014 | June 19-22 | Puyallup     | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>       |
| 46 | 2015 | June 24-27 | Pasco        | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>N. Romeijn-Stout</i> |
| 47 | 2016 | June 24-26 | Puyallup     | <i>Hagiya</i>      | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>R. Jamieson</i>      |
| 48 | 2017 | June 14-17 | Portland, OR | <i>Stanovsky</i>   | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>R. Jamieson</i>      |
| 49 | 2018 | June 24-26 | Puyallup     | <i>Stanovsky</i>   | <i>W.E. Stanton</i> | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>R. Jamieson</i>      |
| 50 | 2019 | June 6-9   | Puyallup     | <i>Stanovsky</i>   | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>R. Jamieson</i>      |
| 51 | 2020 | Sept. 17   | Online       | <i>Stanovsky</i>   | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>R. Jamieson</i>      |
| 52 | 2021 | June 20-23 | Online       | <i>Stanovsky</i>   | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>R. Jamieson</i>      |
| 53 | 2022 | June 1-25  | Online       | <i>Stanovsky</i>   | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>       |
| 54 | 2023 | June 13-15 | Tacoma       | <i>Bridgeforth</i> | <i>S. DeLarme</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>   | <i>B. Henshaw</i>       |

## B. WOMEN WHO WERE ORDAINED AND SERVED CHURCHES PRIOR TO 1959

(Printed here as directed by the Conference, June 18, 1992)

This list includes only those who served churches in the PNWAC following graduation or ordination. It is subject to revision for future publication. **Abbreviations:** GD, graduated deacon; GE, graduated elder; OD, ordained deacon; OE, ordained elder; R, retired. **Note:** Most of these women had reached retirement age before they could become members of Conference.

In 1959, **Ruth M. Lortz** (1935, OD; 1950, GE) was the first woman to become a member of the PNWAC.

**Anable, Hortense W. Miller Bennet** – 1950, GD, Medical Lake; '51, Avon-Bay View; '53, Nespelem; '55, GE; '56, Hartline; '59, Sumas-Nooksack Indian; '61, Pateros; '62, Cosmopolis; '64, R.

**Apel, Gertrude L.** – 1924, OD, Chewelah; '26, OE, Seattle: Trinity, Assoc.; '30, General Secretary, Washington-Northern Idaho Council of Churches; '59, Federal Way: Marine View; '64, R.

**Cotton, Ruth Smutz** – 1952, OD, Orchards-Fern Prairie, Assoc.; '54, OE; '56, Oregon Conf.

**Dealy, Gertrude Caudill** – 1954, GE; '55, Mabton.

**Graves, Mary Jane** – 1947, OE, Clark Fork; '49, Hartline.

**Kiehlbauch, Annette** – 1952, OD, Seattle: Shaw Memorial; '53, GE, Seattle: South park; '55, Vashon; '56, Edwall; '58, R.

**Koth, Marian R.** – 1954, GE, Nooksack; '56, NW' '57, Buena-Liberty; '59, NA; '62, East Mill Plain; R.

**McKee, Mary** – 1931, OD, Silverdale-Tracyton; '33, OE; '35, Congregational in California; '53, Riverton; '59, R.

**Owen, Sophie** – 1946, OD, Orofino-Peck-Cavendish; '49, Pierce; '51, South Bend-Bay Center; '53, GE; '56, NA' '66, Nooksack Indian; R.

**Pease, Bessie G.** – 1952, OD, Seattle: Shaw Memorial; '53, GE, Seattle: South Park; '55, Vashon; '56, Edwall; '60, R.

**Reisner, Elizabeth Goodall** – 1930, OD, Seward, Alaska; '36, NA; '57, R.

**Weaver, Ethel C.** – 1947, GD, College of Puget Sound; '54, GE

Q. STATISTICAL TABLES

A. REPORT FROM CONFERENCE STATISTICS

Conference statistics shows a shift in the size categories of our churches and a continuing trend of decline in overall average weekly attendance. We have experienced a 6% drop in membership over the last year. We have seen a 24% increase in baptisms across the conference. Much of the data will be found at [www.umdata.org](http://www.umdata.org).

Using the designations Corporate (351+), Program (151-350), Pastoral (51-150), and Family (up to 50), here’s the data. You will also see the annual total of reported Baptisms across the Conference.

|                           | 2018 | 2019 | 2020* | 2021* | 2022* |
|---------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Corporate (351+)          | 1    | 1    | 10    | 6     | 12    |
| Program (151-350)         | 23   | 20   | 44    | 31    | 60    |
| Pastoral (51-150)         | 92   | 88   | 85    | 78    | 46    |
| Family (< 51)             | 116  | 114  | 85    | 95    | 49    |
|                           |      |      |       |       |       |
| Conference Baptisms       | 294  | 257  | 103   | 128   | 172   |
|                           |      |      |       |       |       |
| Weekly Attendance of 100+ | 48   | 45   | 93    | 64    | 31    |

The average weekly attendance number of 100 is significant as it is generally accepted as the attendance level to sustain a full-time ordained pastor.

**\*Note:** As we report on the results from our second year in the pandemic we need to keep in mind that both 2020, 2021 and the self-reported attendance information includes both in person and online participation estimates. There are differences in approaches to estimating this data point which we can not adjust.

B. STATISTICAL TABLES

This report contains data from the full Conference Statistical Tables Report as produced by the Pacific Northwest Treasurer’s Office for submission to the General Council on Finance and Administration. For this snapshot, we relied on the “Quick Facts” categories used at: <http://www.umdata.org>

When an “\*” is present, please contact the Treasurer’s office for the number it represents. The full statistics report can be downloaded in Microsoft Excel format at: <https://bit.ly/2022PNWStats>.

| CHURCHNAME             | Crest to Coast Missional District |                             |                            |                           |                |                     |                                        |                          |                             |                                  |                               |                            |                       |           | TOTAL CHURCH INCOME |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|
|                        | PROFESSING MEMBERS                | PROFESSIONS OF FAITH (2A-C) | AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE | ONLINE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE | TOTAL BAPTISMS | CONSTITUENT MEMBERS | CHRISTIAN FORMATION GROUP PARTICIPANTS | SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | TOTAL MISSION PARTICIPATION | TOTAL SERVED BY MISSION OUTREACH | APPORTIONMENT PERCENTAGE PAID | MISSION GIVING (SUM 30-38) | TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES |           |                     |
| ABERDEEN: FIRST        | 99                                | 0                           | 9                          | 0                         | 0              | 19                  | 11                                     | 0                        | 24                          | 1,068                            | *                             | \$2,075                    | \$27,026              | \$23,160  |                     |
| BATTLE GROUND          | 158                               | 0                           | 41                         | 7                         | 0              | 0                   | 37                                     | 0                        | 40                          | 300                              | 100%                          | \$365                      | \$17,226              | \$0       |                     |
| BAY CENTER             | 15                                | 7                           | 0                          | 0                         | 0              | 15                  | 0                                      | 7                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$12,142              | \$12,750  |                     |
| CAMAS                  | 105                               | 0                           | 31                         | 0                         | 0              | 36                  | 40                                     | 12                       | 30                          | 1,000                            | *                             | \$2,720                    | \$135,887             | \$137,027 |                     |
| CASTLE ROCK            | 88                                | 0                           | 19                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 11                                     | 11                       | 7                           | 500                              | *                             | \$5,977                    | \$64,878              | \$56,255  |                     |
| CENTRAL PARK           | 20                                | 0                           | 10                         | 0                         | 0              | 7                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 15                          | 200                              | 100%                          | \$1,500                    | \$48,642              | \$58,307  |                     |
| CENTRALIA              | 184                               | 0                           | 20                         | 2                         | 0              | 0                   | 8                                      | 8                        | 5                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$2,806                    | \$75,255              | \$100,413 |                     |
| CHEHALIS               | 231                               | 1                           | 51                         | 74                        | 0              | 69                  | 56                                     | 43                       | 36                          | 2,000                            | 100%                          | \$39,714                   | \$264,709             | \$130,312 |                     |
| EATONVILLE             | 34                                | 0                           | 15                         | 0                         | 0              | 20                  | 20                                     | 0                        | 3                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$150                      | \$44,685              | \$66,556  |                     |
| ELMA                   | 115                               | 0                           | 17                         | 10                        | 0              | 38                  | 43                                     | 14                       | 43                          | 1,050                            | 100%                          | \$1,009                    | \$93,927              | \$52,368  |                     |
| FERN PRAIRIE           | 11                                | 0                           | 12                         | 0                         | 0              | 6                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | *                             | \$0                        | \$47,527              | \$77,522  |                     |
| GRAYS RIVER            | 20                                | 0                           | 12                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 10                                     | 2                        | 5                           | 30                               | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$6,213               | \$17,631  |                     |
| HOQUIAM                | 57                                | 0                           | 16                         | 0                         | 0              | 14                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 20                          | 300                              | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$39,570              | \$44,400  |                     |
| KALAMA                 | 73                                | 0                           | 14                         | 40                        | 0              | 10                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 11                          | 25                               | 100%                          | \$414                      | \$53,941              | \$345,068 |                     |
| KELSO U/M PRESBYTERIAN | 201                               | 0                           | 66                         | 33                        | 0              | 112                 | 21                                     | 0                        | 86                          | 12,474                           | 100%                          | \$3,386                    | \$273,511             | \$326,218 |                     |
| LACEY: ST ANDREWS      | 145                               | 1                           | 56                         | 0                         | 0              | 51                  | 115                                    | 5                        | 40                          | 1,442                            | 100%                          | \$3,420                    | \$187,104             | \$210,769 |                     |
| LAKEWOOD               | 134                               | 0                           | 30                         | 50                        | 1              | 35                  | 85                                     | 35                       | 35                          | 25,000                           | 100%                          | \$8,775                    | \$216,598             | \$252,297 |                     |
| LITTLEROCK             | 35                                | 0                           | 19                         | 0                         | 0              | 21                  | 8                                      | 0                        | 10                          | 49                               | *                             | \$0                        | \$25,312              | \$19,815  |                     |
| LONGVIEW               | 93                                | 0                           | 28                         | 5                         | 0              | 9                   | 11                                     | 6                        | 16                          | 250                              | *                             | \$3,614                    | \$103,089             | \$60,402  |                     |
| MONTESANO              | 162                               | 2                           | 31                         | 13                        | 1              | 48                  | 47                                     | 15                       | 4                           | 29                               | 100%                          | \$9,313                    | \$145,162             | \$162,056 |                     |
| MORTON COMMUNITY       | 28                                | 0                           | 11                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 11                          | 100                              | *                             | \$4,776                    | \$35,708              | \$35,793  |                     |
| OAKVILLE               | 50                                | 0                           | 25                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 9                                      | 2                        | 12                          | 400                              | 100%                          | \$2,410                    | \$30,247              | \$43,890  |                     |
| OCEAN PARK             | 42                                | 0                           | 15                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 4                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$50                       | \$28,506              | \$31,169  |                     |
| OCEAN SHORES           | 45                                | 0                           | 22                         | 10                        | 0              | 18                  | 8                                      | 0                        | 9                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$2,428                    | \$35,228              | \$55,968  |                     |
| OLYMPIA: FIRST         | 456                               | 4                           | 127                        | 95                        | 0              | 89                  | 116                                    | 15                       | 270                         | 1,200                            | 100%                          | \$81,553                   | \$743,047             | \$800,818 |                     |



| CHURCHNAME                  | PROFESSING MEMBERS | PROFESSIONS OF FAITH (2A-C) | AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE | ONLINE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE | TOTAL BAPTISMS | CONSISTENT MEMBERS | CHRISTIAN FORMATION GROUP PARTICIPANTS | SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | TOTAL MISSION PARTICIPATION | MISSION SERVED BY | APPORTIONMENT | MISSION GIVING (SUM 30-38) | TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES | TOTAL CHURCH INCOME |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| OTRING                      | 42                 | 0                           | 8                          | 0                         | 0              | 4                  | 4                                      | 3                        | 5                           | 61                | 100%          | \$696                      | \$63,414              | \$57,165            |
| PUYALLUP                    | 355                | 8                           | 101                        | 31                        | 1              | 56                 | 75                                     | 54                       | 82                          | 815               | 100%          | \$35,118                   | \$611,342             | \$598,064           |
| PUYALLUP: LIGHT OF THE HILL | 176                | 0                           | 33                         | 7                         | 0              | 0                  | 42                                     | 6                        | 49                          | 300               | 100%          | \$2,475                    | \$131,003             | \$145,823           |
| RANDLE                      | 86                 | 0                           | 28                         | 8                         | 0              | 0                  | 7                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 80                | 100%          | \$0                        | \$40,504              | \$44,040            |
| RIDGEFIELD                  | 202                | 14                          | 80                         | 15                        | 6              | 96                 | 60                                     | 20                       | 9                           | 260               | 100%          | \$0                        | \$403,845             | \$361,933           |
| ROCHESTER                   | 112                | 2                           | 16                         | 5                         | 0              | 0                  | 10                                     | 4                        | 16                          | 65                | 100%          | \$92                       | \$88,047              | \$129,776           |
| SATSOP                      | 65                 | 0                           | 20                         | 25                        | 0              | 45                 | 6                                      | 0                        | 25                          | 85                | 100%          | \$1,374                    | \$34,169              | \$34,038            |
| SHELTON                     | 127                | 0                           | 41                         | 0                         | 0              | 28                 | 58                                     | 5                        | 21                          | 1,156             | 100%          | \$600                      | \$195,908             | \$214,250           |
| SPANAWAY                    | 151                | 14                          | 60                         | 35                        | 5              | 0                  | 32                                     | 12                       | 40                          | 1,700             | *             | \$7,468                    | \$145,746             | \$128,723           |
| STEVENSON                   | 33                 | 0                           | 19                         | 5                         | 0              | 0                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                 | 100%          | \$1,000                    | \$38,832              | \$71,641            |
| SUNNER                      | 129                | 6                           | 45                         | 20                        | 3              | 0                  | 52                                     | 8                        | 35                          | 10,000            | 100%          | \$1,875                    | \$126,685             | \$175,356           |
| TUMWATER                    | 111                | 0                           | 50                         | 3                         | 2              | 29                 | 6                                      | 0                        | 40                          | 10,000            | 100%          | \$4,600                    | \$144,186             | \$204,060           |
| VADER: GRACE                | 22                 | 0                           | 0                          | 3                         | 0              | 0                  | 4                                      | 0                        | 8                           | 50                | 100%          | \$500                      | \$10,701              | \$10,877            |
| VANCOUVER: FIRST            | 410                | 5                           | 64                         | 48                        | 1              | 27                 | 57                                     | 15                       | 64                          | 1,200             | 100%          | \$88,832                   | \$519,106             | \$438,084           |
| VANCOUVER: WILL PLAIN       | 261                | 14                          | 68                         | 37                        | 4              | 76                 | 169                                    | 25                       | 55                          | 875               | 100%          | \$818                      | \$365,099             | \$399,879           |
| VANCOUVER: ORCHARDS         | 214                | 1                           | 55                         | 5                         | 0              | 95                 | 41                                     | 15                       | 20                          | 150               | 100%          | \$5,910                    | \$231,031             | \$199,443           |
| VANCOUVER: SALMON CREEK     | 270                | 2                           | 84                         | 50                        | 0              | 0                  | 46                                     | 24                       | 30                          | 200               | 100%          | \$15,418                   | \$402,230             | \$367,169           |
| VANCOUVER: HEIGHTS          | 242                | 0                           | 65                         | 80                        | 0              | 0                  | 76                                     | 5                        | 27                          | 200               | 100%          | \$310                      | \$182,182             | \$176,441           |
| WASHOUGAL                   | 70                 | 0                           | 33                         | 0                         | 1              | 21                 | 38                                     | 0                        | 20                          | 50                | 100%          | \$5,958                    | \$155,689             | \$177,691           |
| WHITE SALMON                | 78                 | 0                           | 16                         | 32                        | 0              | 9                  | 10                                     | 0                        | 8                           | 115               | 100%          | \$3,844                    | \$125,196             | \$111,641           |
| WILLAPA                     | 66                 | 0                           | 18                         | 15                        | 0              | 30                 | 35                                     | 8                        | 35                          | 871               | 100%          | \$12,803                   | \$79,023              | \$78,833            |
| WINLOCK                     | 37                 | 0                           | 17                         | 10                        | 0              | 18                 | 11                                     | 0                        | 8                           | 100               | 100%          | \$1,100                    | \$54,843              | \$46,363            |
| YELM COMMUNITY              | 70                 | 18                          | 45                         | 3                         | 0              | 12                 | 18                                     | 5                        | 10                          | 30                | 100%          | \$0                        | \$76,567              | \$120,210           |
| CYC TOTALS                  | 5,930              | 99                          | 1,663                      | 776                       | 25             | 1,163              | 1513                                   | 381                      | 1,334                       | 75,780            | 97.07%        | \$367,246                  | \$6,980,488           | \$7,412,464         |
| INLAND MISSIONAL DISTRICT   |                    |                             |                            |                           |                |                    |                                        |                          |                             |                   |               |                            |                       |                     |
| ASOTIN                      | 81                 | 0                           | 19                         | 0                         | 2              | 0                  | 4                                      | 2                        | 1                           | 1                 | 100%          | \$115                      | \$39,742              | \$54,113            |
| BONNERS FERRY ID            | 72                 | 0                           | 25                         | 21                        | 0              | 0                  | 24                                     | 15                       | 40                          | 1,000             | 100%          | \$933                      | \$68,242              | \$80,709            |

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| CHENEY                 | 160                | 0                           | 60                         | 102                       | 0              | 140                 | 34                                     | 0                        | 70                          | 350                              | 100%                          | \$12,020                   | \$ 182,657            | \$ 193,545          |
| CLARKSTON              | 115                | 0                           | 36                         | 1708                      | 1              | 51                  | 8                                      | 0                        | 18                          | 6,250                            | 100%                          | \$2,999                    | \$161,740             | \$136,288           |
| COEUR DALENE ID COM.   | 175                | 0                           | 75                         | 37                        | 0              | 0                   | 64                                     | 10                       | 100                         | 1,500                            | 100%                          | \$15,650                   | \$344,430             | \$375,760           |
| DAVENPORT EDWALL       | 120                | 0                           | 30                         | 2                         | 2              | 0                   | 33                                     | 8                        | 15                          | 0                                | 100%                          | \$6,160                    | \$104,067             | \$113,416           |
| DEER PARK              | 97                 | 0                           | 39                         | 0                         | 1              | 69                  | 60                                     | 27                       | 8                           | 24                               | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$92,549              | \$60,869            |
| GRANGEVILLE IDAHO      | 58                 | 3                           | 22                         | 4                         | 1              | 0                   | 31                                     | 12                       | 0                           | 100                              | 100%                          | \$100                      | \$68,871              | \$88,337            |
| GREEN BLUFF COMMUNITY  | 95                 | 2                           | 21                         | 136                       | 0              | 38                  | 24                                     | 0                        | 22                          | 5,700                            | 100%                          | \$3,000                    | \$49,672              | \$60,653            |
| HARRINGTON             | 38                 | 0                           | 17                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 14                                     | 5                        | 10                          | 22                               | *                             | \$2,525                    | \$57,378              | \$39,073            |
| LAPWAL ID              | 29                 | 0                           | 10                         | 10                        | 0              | 0                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | *                             | \$0                        | \$25,176              | \$24,800            |
| LEWISTON: FIRST        | 129                | 0                           | 19                         | 31                        | 0              | 11                  | 20                                     | 10                       | 3                           | 1,000                            | 100%                          | \$4,075                    | \$110,018             | \$104,707           |
| LEWISTON: ORCHARDS     | 103                | 0                           | 34                         | 22                        | 1              | 43                  | 5                                      | 5                        | 29                          | 722                              | *                             | \$3,822                    | \$82,036              | \$82,883            |
| MOSCOW: FIRST          | 181                | 0                           | 68                         | 55                        | 0              | 119                 | 46                                     | 25                       | 13                          | 0                                | 100%                          | \$7,646                    | \$523,962             | \$189,059           |
| NEZPERCE IDAHO         | 1                  | 0                           | 5                          | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$150                      | \$3,150               | \$2,000             |
| POWEROY                | 110                | 0                           | 20                         | 0                         | 0              | 26                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 1                           | 20                               | 100%                          | \$300                      | \$28,707              | \$40,814            |
| PULLMAN: SIMPSON       | 91                 | 0                           | 37                         | 71                        | 0              | 100                 | 82                                     | 12                       | 61                          | 282                              | 100%                          | \$7,473                    | \$173,315             | \$184,194           |
| RITZVILLE: TRINITY     | 184                | 0                           | 19                         | 0                         | 0              | 6                   | 12                                     | 10                       | 12                          | 100                              | 100%                          | \$3,372                    | \$58,533              | \$231,568           |
| ROCKFORD               | 83                 | 2                           | 12                         | 1                         | 0              | 14                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 4                           | 67                               | 100%                          | \$957                      | \$36,204              | \$36,780            |
| SANDPOINT ID           | 51                 | 0                           | 27                         | 14                        | 0              | 30                  | 25                                     | 6                        | 25                          | 2,288                            | 100%                          | \$2,842                    | \$128,787             | \$156,191           |
| SPOKANE VALLEY UMC     | 360                | 0                           | 120                        | 36                        | 5              | 0                   | 88                                     | 28                       | 50                          | 600                              | 100%                          | \$21,665                   | \$330,971             | \$398,700           |
| SPOKANE: AUDUBON PARK  | 310                | 5                           | 68                         | 81                        | 2              | 62                  | 106                                    | 13                       | 50                          | 6,000                            | 100%                          | \$100                      | \$337,456             | \$277,845           |
| SPOKANE: COVENANT      | 289                | 8                           | 78                         | 128                       | 0              | 75                  | 245                                    | 42                       | 105                         | 5,000                            | 100%                          | \$85,324                   | \$416,911             | \$391,383           |
| SPOKANE: FOWLER        | 225                | 2                           | 21                         | 18                        | 1              | 13                  | 5                                      | 30                       | 100                         | 0                                | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$133,230             | \$140,824           |
| SPOKANE: HIGHLAND PARK | 199                | 0                           | 15                         | 0                         | 0              | 5                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$58,554              | \$121,091           |
| SPOKANE: LIBERTY PARK  | 51                 | 0                           | 5                          | 67                        | 0              | 24                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 4                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$150                      | \$15,327              | \$17,900            |
| SPOKANE: MANITO        | 92                 | 0                           | 30                         | 30                        | 0              | 30                  | 39                                     | 14                       | 50                          | 100                              | 100%                          | \$19,244                   | \$384,184             | \$286,320           |
| SPOKANE: MORAN         | 205                | 0                           | 50                         | 33                        | 0              | 69                  | 51                                     | 9                        | 30                          | 460                              | 100%                          | \$7,551                    | \$163,942             | \$179,896           |
| SPOKANE: ST PAULS      | 40                 | 0                           | 5                          | 67                        | 0              | 15                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 6                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$250                      | \$60,346              | \$59,708            |

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| INLAND TOTALS                  | 3,744              | 22                          | 987                        | 2,674                     | 16             | 940                 | 1,020                                  | 283                      | 827                         | 32,487                           | 95.24%                        | \$208,423                  | \$2,329,617           | \$4,129,426         |
| PUGET SOUND MISSIONAL DISTRICT |                    |                             |                            |                           |                |                     |                                        |                          |                             |                                  |                               |                            |                       |                     |
| ALLEN                          | 213                | 0                           | 30                         | 38                        | 0              | 0                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 35                          | 500                              | *                             | \$3,825                    | \$200,210             | \$203,768           |
| ANACORTES                      | 145                | 0                           | 32                         | 32                        | 0              | 44                  | 22                                     | 8                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$52,296                   | \$291,525             | \$269,690           |
| ARLINGTON UNITED               | 52                 | 0                           | 18                         | 5                         | 0              | 11                  | 24                                     | 0                        | 2                           | 50                               | *                             | \$13,514                   | \$75,249              | \$80,747            |
| BAINBRIDGE ISLAND-SEABOLD      | 66                 | 0                           | 21                         | 28                        | 0              | 20                  | 11                                     | 0                        | 35                          | 695                              | 100%                          | \$1,910                    | \$128,408             | \$161,853           |
| BAYVIEW                        | 46                 | 0                           | 17                         | 0                         | 0              | 15                  | 13                                     | 4                        | 7                           | 40                               | 100%                          | \$1,313                    | \$46,556              | \$47,359            |
| BELLINGHAM: GARDEN ST          | 318                | 0                           | 50                         | 15                        | 0              | 0                   | 65                                     | 10                       | 14                          | 900                              | 100%                          | \$13,305                   | \$256,328             | \$208,555           |
| BOYHELL                        | 533                | 2                           | 138                        | 523                       | 2              | 1,368               | 450                                    | 26                       | 42                          | 1,370                            | *                             | \$15,557                   | \$1,313,878           | \$816,984           |
| BREMERTON                      | 157                | 0                           | 45                         | 33                        | 1              | 8                   | 7                                      | 6                        | 40                          | 600                              | 100%                          | \$457                      | \$178,367             | \$210,162           |
| BROWNSVILLE                    | 52                 | 0                           | 20                         | 34                        | 0              | 41                  | 23                                     | 0                        | 20                          | 800                              | 100%                          | \$6,440                    | \$101,300             | \$181,484           |
| COLBY                          | 73                 | 0                           | 23                         | 25                        | 0              | 35                  | 21                                     | 4                        | 15                          | 250                              | 100%                          | \$3,785                    | \$108,836             | \$117,470           |
| COUPEVILLE                     | 131                | 4                           | 45                         | 45                        | 1              | 55                  | 32                                     | 21                       | 145                         | 4,200                            | 100%                          | \$17,184                   | \$196,897             | \$378,702           |
| CUSTER                         | 115                | 0                           | 33                         | 28                        | 0              | 15                  | 22                                     | 10                       | 40                          | 2,200                            | 100%                          | \$6,519                    | \$80,724              | \$87,965            |
| DARRINGTON                     | 24                 | 0                           | 18                         | 0                         | 1              | 20                  | 10                                     | 0                        | 4                           | 50                               | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$14,860              | \$22,664            |
| EDMONDS                        | 386                | 240                         | 75                         | 198                       | 1              | 0                   | 167                                    | 0                        | 175                         | 60                               | *                             | \$201,835                  | \$1,345,665           | \$1,242,756         |
| EVERETT: LA PALABRA VIVIENTE   | 0                  | 30                          | 24                         | 2                         | 0              | 10                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | *                             | \$0                        | \$47,269              | \$25,236            |
| FALL CITY                      | 111                | 3                           | 25                         | 5                         | 4              | 22                  | 44                                     | 6                        | 11                          | 480                              | 100%                          | \$147                      | \$93,389              | \$166,847           |
| FERNDALE UNITED                | 115                | 0                           | 34                         | 12                        | 0              | 0                   | 82                                     | 6                        | 30                          | 600                              | *                             | \$17,200                   | \$203,300             | \$215,509           |
| GIG HARBOR                     | 306                | 4                           | 133                        | 133                       | 1              | 80                  | 183                                    | 50                       | 325                         | 4,120                            | 100%                          | \$44,063                   | \$364,545             | \$558,409           |
| ISSAQUAH: FAITH                | 668                | 5                           | 140                        | 50                        | 5              | 0                   | 135                                    | 35                       | 100                         | 25                               | 100%                          | \$23,235                   | \$747,718             | \$814,586           |
| KINGSTON: REEDEMER             | 103                | 0                           | 18                         | 43                        | 0              | 32                  | 5                                      | 0                        | 61                          | 884                              | 100%                          | \$2,887                    | \$193,751             | \$149,265           |
| KIRKLAND: LAKE WASHINGTON      | 148                | 4                           | 60                         | 120                       | 0              | 35                  | 79                                     | 9                        | 80                          | 300                              | 100%                          | \$26,297                   | \$625,871             | \$581,647           |
| LA CONNER                      | 77                 | 2                           | 33                         | 55                        | 2              | 15                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 18                          | 2,050                            | 100%                          | \$2,327                    | \$94,625              | \$181,893           |
| LANGLEY                        | 146                | 0                           | 59                         | 101                       | 0              | 120                 | 65                                     | 20                       | 20                          | 125                              | *                             | \$26,452                   | \$241,594             | \$306,837           |
| LYNDEN                         | 114                | 4                           | 30                         | 39                        | 0              | 0                   | 23                                     | 0                        | 40                          | 761                              | *                             | \$2,932                    | \$188,065             | \$106,443           |

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| MARYSVILLE                  | 332                | 0                           | 98                         | 80                        | 2              | 0                   | 263                                    | 7                        | 118                         | 455                              | 100%                          | \$26,058                   | \$378,488             | \$567,998           |
| MILL CREEK: CEDAR CROSS     | 324                | 4                           | 80                         | 20                        | 1              | 34                  | 55                                     | 22                       | 22                          | 7                                | 100%                          | \$23,439                   | \$356,488             | \$378,223           |
| MONROE                      | 72                 | 0                           | 35                         | 11                        | 2              | 11                  | 4                                      | 0                        | 15                          | 1,000                            | 100%                          | \$228                      | \$102,052             | \$117,348           |
| MOUNT VERNON: FIRST         | 172                | 0                           | 48                         | 56                        | 0              | 69                  | 53                                     | 14                       | 55                          | 783                              | 100%                          | \$34,456                   | \$432,712             | \$34,995            |
| NOOKSACK INDIAN             | 3                  | 0                           | 1                          | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 3                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | *                             | \$1,100                    | \$5,601               | \$13,300            |
| OAK HARBOR                  | 319                | 0                           | 51                         | 26                        | 0              | 0                   | 17                                     | 6                        | 27                          | 17                               | 100%                          | \$8,210                    | \$515,328             | \$462,380           |
| PORT ANGELES: FIRST         | 396                | 5                           | 47                         | 132                       | 3              | 39                  | 22                                     | 0                        | 25                          | 765                              | 100%                          | \$740                      | \$410,022             | \$873,440           |
| PORT HADLOCK COMM           | 89                 | 1                           | 30                         | 30                        | 0              | 19                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 35                          | 150                              | 100%                          | \$16,176                   | \$172,311             | \$157,970           |
| PORT ORCHARD                | 190                | 3                           | 65                         | 83                        | 5              | 24                  | 58                                     | 14                       | 60                          | 1,000                            | 100%                          | \$24,792                   | \$285,693             | \$391,117           |
| PORT TOWNSEND: TRINITY      | 183                | 0                           | 61                         | 34                        | 0              | 111                 | 39                                     | 2                        | 56                          | 2,000                            | 100%                          | \$25,026                   | \$219,561             | \$219,116           |
| REDWOND                     | 176                | 0                           | 55                         | 25                        | 2              | 41                  | 53                                     | 6                        | 21                          | 1,550                            | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$285,769             | \$361,737           |
| SEDRO WOOLLEY: CENTRAL      | 189                | 0                           | 30                         | 10                        | 1              | 17                  | 25                                     | 14                       | 15                          | 130                              | *                             | \$2,702                    | \$91,252              | \$115,989           |
| SEQUIM: TRINITY             | 237                | 3                           | 96                         | 65                        | 0              | 87                  | 92                                     | 38                       | 112                         | 12,730                           | 100%                          | \$17,165                   | \$318,237             | \$475,838           |
| SNOHOWISH                   | 146                | 0                           | 60                         | 30                        | 4              | 103                 | 40                                     | 6                        | 38                          | 150                              | 100%                          | \$7,181                    | \$203,623             | \$231,340           |
| SNOQUALMIE                  | 96                 | 0                           | 40                         | 10                        | 0              | 13                  | 23                                     | 2                        | 15                          | 50                               | 100%                          | \$1,238                    | \$98,720              | \$92,765            |
| SQUAMISH FELLOWSHIP         | 0                  | 0                           | 25                         | 25                        | 0              | 0                   | 29                                     | 29                       | 0                           | 0                                | *                             | \$0                        | \$6,931               | \$13,632            |
| STANWOOD                    | 351                | 3                           | 50                         | 22                        | 0              | 15                  | 55                                     | 25                       | 40                          | 30,000                           | 100%                          | \$17,292                   | \$183,123             | \$665,702           |
| TRACYTON                    | 64                 | 0                           | 22                         | 0                         | 0              | 26                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 5                           | 30                               | 100%                          | \$3,293                    | \$91,366              | \$112,896           |
| VAN BC: FIRST UMC OF CANADA | 116                | 104                         | 220                        | 20                        | 3              | 220                 | 108                                    | 19                       | 3                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$177,500             | \$193,201           |
| VASHON ISLAND               | 79                 | 1                           | 35                         | 14                        | 1              | 33                  | 28                                     | 13                       | 37                          | 1,000                            | 100%                          | \$6,154                    | \$165,963             | \$135,178           |
| WOODINVILLE: BEAR CREEK     | 208                | 0                           | 60                         | 40                        | 0              | 10                  | 111                                    | 14                       | 85                          | 500                              | 100%                          | \$26,001                   | \$491,296             | \$401,751           |
| PUGET SOUND TOTALS          | 7,841              | 422                         | 2,320                      | 2,297                     | 42             | 2,818               | 2,561                                  | 440                      | 2,043                       | 73,377                           | 95.67%                        | 724,731                    | 12,130,966            | 13,660,307          |
| SEATEAC MISSIONAL DISTRICT  |                    |                             |                            |                           |                |                     |                                        |                          |                             |                                  |                               |                            |                       |                     |
| AUBURN: FIRST               | 330                | 0                           | 45                         | 50                        | 0              | 78                  | 35                                     | 0                        | 30                          | 200                              | 100%                          | \$12,824                   | \$288,448             | \$321,014           |
| BELLEVUE: ALDERSGATE        | 234                | 1                           | 45                         | 43                        | 1              | 90                  | 82                                     | 5                        | 71                          | 3,370                            | 100%                          | \$21,930                   | \$346,391             | \$447,530           |
| BELLEVUE: FIRST             | 172                | 0                           | 35                         | 15                        | 2              | 23                  | 14                                     | 0                        | 30                          | 170                              | 100%                          | \$18,238                   | \$409,264             | \$429,670           |

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| BELLEVUE: KOREAN UMC      | 8                  | 0                           | 8                          | 7                         | 0              | 0                   | 2                                      | 1                        | 2                           | 1                                | 100%          | \$300                      | \$23,796              | \$23,090            |
| BELLEVUE: SAINT PETERS    | 225                | 3                           | 16                         | 47                        | 0              | 0                   | 32                                     | 4                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%          | \$1,740                    | \$234,698             | \$209,805           |
| BURIEN: HIGHLINE          | 115                | 1                           | 18                         | 0                         | 2              | 4                   | 18                                     | 8                        | 10                          | 150                              | *             | \$0                        | \$52,017              | \$49,181            |
| COVINGTON: CORNERSTONE    | 370                | 14                          | 62                         | 59                        | 3              | 42                  | 190                                    | 42                       | 100                         | 1,346                            | *             | \$5,481                    | \$311,746             | \$337,750           |
| DES MOINES                | 296                | 2                           | 80                         | 30                        | 0              | 74                  | 75                                     | 0                        | 50                          | 5,500                            | 100%          | \$10,879                   | \$419,083             | \$378,837           |
| FEDERAL WAY               | 207                | 2                           | 139                        | 73                        | 1              | 272                 | 135                                    | 72                       | 19                          | 150                              | 100%          | \$15,693                   | \$302,360             | \$304,639           |
| FED WAY: GOOD SEED KOREAN | 62                 | 0                           | 30                         | 15                        | 0              | 0                   | 11                                     | 3                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%          | \$3,500                    | \$106,261             | \$97,844            |
| FEDERAL WAY: SUNRISE      | 55                 | 6                           | 37                         | 0                         | 13             | 22                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%          | \$648                      | \$96,252              | \$101,653           |
| FIRCREST                  | 59                 | 1                           | 43                         | 48                        | 0              | 31                  | 44                                     | 8                        | 35                          | 13,394                           | *             | \$13,000                   | \$195,268             | \$118,291           |
| KENT                      | 699                | 7                           | 128                        | 204                       | 2              | 190                 | 185                                    | 67                       | 128                         | 2,590                            | 100%          | \$81,287                   | \$777,631             | \$843,122           |
| MERCER ISLAND             | 80                 | 1                           | 26                         | 6                         | 1              | 0                   | 33                                     | 20                       | 12                          | 0                                | 100%          | \$5,600                    | \$103,394             | \$183,397           |
| RENTON: FAIRWOOD COMM.    | 415                | 1                           | 112                        | 57                        | 2              | 23                  | 102                                    | 14                       | 40                          | 750                              | *             | \$23,756                   | \$285,611             | \$375,401           |
| RENTON: FIRST             | 181                | 0                           | 46                         | 38                        | 0              | 38                  | 65                                     | 15                       | 20                          | 125                              | 100%          | \$14,351                   | \$221,451             | \$220,889           |
| SEATTLE: BEACON           | 149                | 6                           | 40                         | 5                         | 1              | 60                  | 21                                     | 11                       | 5                           | 100                              | *             | \$800                      | \$192,585             | \$142,774           |
| SEATTLE: BLAINE MEMORIAL  | 633                | 13                          | 95                         | 45                        | 9              | 0                   | 257                                    | 85                       | 80                          | 460                              | 100%          | \$2,640                    | \$548,199             | \$729,985           |
| SEATTLE: BRYN MAWR        | 132                | 0                           | 21                         | 3                         | 1              | 34                  | 20                                     | 0                        | 30                          | 100                              | 100%          | \$0                        | \$106,355             | \$112,259           |
| SEATTLE: ELDIOS VIVIENTE  | 161                | 7                           | 83                         | 310                       | 10             | 0                   | 100                                    | 96                       | 106                         | 9                                | *             | \$9,408                    | \$81,620              | \$98,910            |
| SEATTLE: FIRST            | 369                | 2                           | 158                        | 239                       | 2              | 83                  | 253                                    | 11                       | 572                         | 20,956                           | 100%          | \$7,980                    | \$630,491             | \$827,347           |
| SEATTLE: FIRST TONGAN     | 251                | 4                           | 100                        | 0                         | 3              | 0                   | 253                                    | 82                       | 15                          | 5                                | 100%          | \$0                        | \$95,514              | \$158,891           |
| SEATTLE: GRACE            | 56                 | 0                           | 23                         | 11                        | 0              | 0                   | 22                                     | 5                        | 0                           | 0                                | *             | \$3,000                    | \$81,172              | \$100,943           |
| SEATTLE: GREEN LAKE       | 84                 | 0                           | 10                         | 20                        | 0              | 121                 | 67                                     | 1                        | 30                          | 1,500                            | 100%          | \$150                      | \$82,475              | \$125,851           |
| SEATTLE: HALLER LAKE      | 98                 | 0                           | 22                         | 21                        | 0              | 17                  | 68                                     | 10                       | 50                          | 1,500                            | 100%          | \$18,053                   | \$279,644             | \$318,467           |
| SEATTLE: MAGNOLIA         | 25                 | 0                           | 15                         | 10                        | 0              | 11                  | 7                                      | 4                        | 3                           | 0                                | 100%          | \$1,011                    | \$63,244              | \$72,450            |
| SEATTLE: QUEEN ANNE       | 36                 | 0                           | 24                         | 7                         | 1              | 99                  | 72                                     | 6                        | 31                          | 21,000                           | 100%          | \$760                      | \$242,137             | \$257,563           |
| SEATTLE: SAND POINT       | 200                | 3                           | 35                         | 25                        | 2              | 70                  | 26                                     | 0                        | 15                          | 25                               | 100%          | \$2,950                    | \$319,372             | \$403,138           |
| SEATTLE: SEAVIEW & TONGAN | 122                | 0                           | 30                         | 20                        | 2              | 6                   | 28                                     | 18                       | 8                           | 120                              | *             | \$200                      | \$38,042              | \$49,950            |
| SEATTLE: TIBBETTS         | 225                | 1                           | 52                         | 45                        | 1              | 0                   | 53                                     | 7                        | 46                          | 5,000                            | 100%          | \$3,635                    | \$286,154             | \$260,057           |

Q-8 STATISTICS

| CHURCHNAME                 | PROFESSING MEMBERS | PROFESSIONS OF FAITH (2A-C) | AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE | ONLINE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE | TOTAL BAPTISMS | CONSTITUENT MEMBERS | CHRISTIAN FORMATION GROUP PARTICIPANTS | SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | TOTAL MISSION PARTICIPATION | TOTAL SERVED BY MISSION OUTREACH | APPORTIONMENT PERCENTAGE PAID | MISSION GIVING (SUM 30-38) | TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES | TOTAL CHURCH INCOME |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| SEATTLE: TRINITY           | 295                | 0                           | 50                         | 25                        | 4              | 0                   | 58                                     | 7                        | 50                          | 250                              | 100%                          | \$50                       | \$177,127             | \$211,500           |
| SEATTLE: UNIV. TEMPLE      | 264                | 1                           | 55                         | 25                        | 1              | 0                   | 48                                     | 25                       | 75                          | 350                              | 100%                          | \$29,766                   | \$617,425             | \$716,864           |
| SEATTLE: VALLEY & MOUNTAIN | 133                | 21                          | 44                         | 62                        | 0              | 116                 | 141                                    | 8                        | 107                         | 1,750                            | 100%                          | \$9,678                    | \$418,483             | \$601,337           |
| SEATTLE: WALLINGFORD       | 135                | 0                           | 51                         | 15                        | 0              | 37                  | 91                                     | 7                        | 50                          | 300                              | 100%                          | \$10,502                   | \$260,511             | \$316,539           |
| SEATTLE: WOODLAND PARK     | 46                 | 0                           | 17                         | 20                        | 0              | 18                  | 0                                      | 0                        | 8                           | 1,050                            | 100%                          | \$450                      | \$113,795             | \$229,138           |
| SHORELINE                  | 58                 | 2                           | 36                         | 25                        | 1              | 31                  | 35                                     | 16                       | 8                           | 8                                | 100%                          | \$3,493                    | \$143,532             | \$153,618           |
| SHORELINE: RONALD          | 202                | 0                           | 39                         | 63                        | 2              | 0                   | 22                                     | 3                        | 26                          | 240                              | *                             | \$7,994                    | \$243,258             | \$227,433           |
| TACOMA: BETHANY            | 34                 | 4                           | 12                         | 0                         | 0              | 7                   | 0                                      | 0                        | 23                          | 9190                             | *                             | \$0                        | \$40,723              | \$41,820            |
| TACOMA: BROWNS POINT       | 166                | 1                           | 61                         | 40                        | 0              | 40                  | 80                                     | 0                        | 33                          | 705                              | 100%                          | \$9,045                    | \$185,219             | \$259,000           |
| TACOMA: FIRST              | 49                 | 0                           | 25                         | 4                         | 1              | 25                  | 28                                     | 0                        | 20                          | 4,948                            | *                             | \$6,293                    | \$305,529             | \$387,728           |
| TACOMA: FIRST KOREAN       | 74                 | 0                           | 55                         | 40                        | 0              | 4                   | 8                                      | 0                        | 2                           | 0                                | *                             | \$6,000                    | \$177,987             | \$177,998           |
| TACOMA: KALEVARIA          | 103                | 0                           | 120                        | 0                         | 1              | 0                   | 112                                    | 65                       | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$114,663             | \$94,051            |
| TACOMA: MASON              | 267                | 1                           | 48                         | 10                        | 1              | 0                   | 36                                     | 0                        | 6                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$50                       | \$369,419             | \$468,538           |
| TACOMA: THE BRIDGE         | 32                 | 0                           | 15                         | 0                         | 0              | 0                   | 6                                      | 0                        | 0                           | 0                                | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$55,008              | \$94,691            |
| TUKWILA: RIVERTON PARK     | 72                 | 0                           | 20                         | 10                        | 0              | 15                  | 8                                      | 6                        | 35                          | 99,999                           | 100%                          | \$0                        | \$345,012             | \$300,730           |
| UNIVERSITY PLACE UNITED    | 50                 | 0                           | 61                         | 50                        | 0              | 0                   | 4                                      | 3                        | 10                          | 0                                | *                             | \$7,300                    | \$206,266             | \$231,465           |
| SEATAC TOTALS              | 8,029              | 105                         | 2,387                      | 1,842                     | 70             | 1,681               | 2,847                                  | 1,131                    | 1,991                       | 107,311                          | 88.93%                        | \$370,435                  | \$10,994,632          | 12,613,148          |

SEVEN RIVERS MISSIONAL DISTRICT

|                         |     |   |    |    |   |    |    |   |    |       |      |          |           |           |
|-------------------------|-----|---|----|----|---|----|----|---|----|-------|------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| BENTON CITY             | 144 | 0 | 30 | 0  | 3 | 0  | 3  | 3 | 14 | 0     | *    | \$2,370  | \$60,333  | \$85,290  |
| CASHMERE                | 121 | 0 | 13 | 0  | 0 | 34 | 12 | 4 | 11 | 350   | 100% | \$2,753  | \$106,080 | \$70,207  |
| CHELAN: LAKE CHELAN     | 38  | 0 | 17 | 0  | 1 | 15 | 9  | 0 | 12 | 600   | 100% | \$2,778  | \$73,132  | \$91,719  |
| CONCONULY               | 34  | 0 | 20 | 60 | 0 | 34 | 0  | 0 | 4  | 500   | 100% | \$786    | \$19,970  | \$82,631  |
| DAYTON: FIRST           | 42  | 0 | 16 | 0  | 0 | 4  | 3  | 0 | 0  | 0     | 100% | \$1,000  | \$46,774  | \$94,634  |
| EAST WENATCHEE: TRINITY | 92  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     | 100% | \$66,620 | \$112,163 | \$112,143 |
| ELLENSBURG              | 134 | 0 | 39 | 4  | 0 | 0  | 16 | 0 | 65 | 3,000 | 100% | \$2,500  | \$196,116 | \$178,120 |
| EPHRATA                 | 124 | 0 | 20 | 10 | 0 | 9  | 13 | 0 | 14 | 2,055 | 100% | \$10,219 | \$121,650 | \$114,487 |

|                         |        |     |       |       |     |       |       |       |       |         |        |        |             |              |              |
|-------------------------|--------|-----|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| GOLDENDALE              | 94     | 0   | 15    | 0     | 0   | 0     | 19    | 8     | 8     | 10      | 1,000  | 100%   | \$1,005     | \$120,112    | \$82,261     |
| HARTLINE                | 29     | 0   | 5     | 0     | 0   | 0     | 2     | 0     | 0     | 0       | 0      | 100%   | \$0         | \$7,764      | \$8,215      |
| KENNEWICK: FIRST        | 643    | 1   | 114   | 101   | 0   | 0     | 652   | 63    | 14    | 1,500   | 100%   | 100%   | \$1,045,535 | \$8,935,499  | \$456,649    |
| KENNEWICK: W. HIGHLANDS | 97     | 0   | 43    | 26    | 0   | 29    | 26    | 0     | 1     | 700     | *      | *      | \$8,820     | \$215,082    | \$245,277    |
| LEAVENWORTH             | 94     | 1   | 30    | 2     | 1   | 100   | 15    | 0     | 55    | 300     | *      | *      | \$22,446    | \$127,484    | \$145,670    |
| MANSON                  | 59     | 0   | 0     | 32    | 0   | 28    | 8     | 2     | 2     | 25      | 100%   | 100%   | \$2,155     | \$27,988     | \$28,598     |
| METHOW VALLEY           | 83     | 0   | 22    | 0     | 0   | 0     | 16    | 0     | 20    | 100     | *      | *      | \$1,399     | \$81,551     | \$68,876     |
| MONITOR                 | 139    | 0   | 20    | 0     | 0   | 13    | 3     | 2     | 4     | 50      | 100%   | 100%   | \$700       | \$53,053     | \$58,684     |
| MOSES LAKE              | 187    | 0   | 34    | 30    | 0   | 25    | 28    | 7     | 8     | 354     | 100%   | 100%   | \$7,864     | \$135,393    | \$78,258     |
| OMAK                    | 34     | 0   | 14    | 75    | 1   | 5     | 3     | 0     | 2     | 2       | 100%   | 100%   | \$2,369     | \$35,057     | \$39,803     |
| PASCO: RIVERVIEW        | 93     | 0   | 40    | 23    | 0   | 0     | 7     | 1     | 10    | 200     | 100%   | 100%   | \$3,740     | \$175,944    | \$186,085    |
| PROSSER                 | 163    | 0   | 24    | 17    | 1   | 32    | 24    | 0     | 15    | 9,495   | 100%   | 100%   | \$9,583     | \$159,288    | \$211,978    |
| RICHLAND CUP            | 413    | 15  | 197   | 125   | 0   | 103   | 324   | 50    | 120   | 12,000  | 100%   | 100%   | \$41,075    | \$1,461,424  | \$1,369,159  |
| ROYAL CITY              | 14     | 0   | 9     | 0     | 0   | 0     | 6     | 0     | 13    | 0       | *      | *      | \$3,279     | \$31,932     | \$41,451     |
| SELAH                   | 215    | 4   | 33    | 6     | 1   | 27    | 72    | 2     | 30    | 150     | 100%   | 100%   | \$2,835     | \$102,798    | \$152,348    |
| WALLA WALLA: PIONEER    | 175    | 3   | 86    | 20    | 4   | 81    | 165   | 40    | 90    | 1,750   | 100%   | 100%   | \$114,607   | \$534,219    | \$545,646    |
| WATERVILLE FED          | 47     | 0   | 21    | 0     | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0       | *      | *      | \$400       | \$66,265     | \$68,212     |
| WENATCHEE: FIRST        | 517    | 2   | 134   | 35    | 2   | 0     | 97    | 17    | 98    | 7,300   | 100%   | 100%   | \$29,102    | \$543,638    | \$735,896    |
| WHITE SWAN: WILBUR MEM. | 11     | 0   | 1     | 0     | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0       | *      | *      | \$0         | \$6,197      | \$7,751      |
| YAKIMA: WESLEY          | 230    | 1   | 79    | 56    | 1   | 921   | 77    | 14    | 102   | 15,000  | 100%   | 100%   | \$5,564     | \$478,225    | \$252,402    |
| 7 RIVERS TOTALS         | 4,066  | 23  | 1,076 | 622   | 15  | 1,496 | 1,587 | 213   | 714   | 56,431  | 87.25% | 87.25% | \$1,391,504 | \$14,035,131 | \$6,124,50   |
| PNW CONFERENCE TOTALS   |        |     |       |       |     |       |       |       |       |         |        |        |             |              |              |
| C2C TOTALS              | 5,930  | 99  | 1,663 | 776   | 25  | 1,163 | 1,513 | 381   | 1,334 | 73,780  | 97.07% | 97.07% | \$367,246   | \$6,980,488  | \$7,412,464  |
| INLAND TOTALS           | 3,744  | 22  | 987   | 2,674 | 16  | 940   | 1,020 | 283   | 827   | 32,487  | 95.24% | 95.24% | \$208,423   | \$2,329,617  | \$4,129,426  |
| PUGET SOUND TOTALS      | 7,841  | 422 | 2,320 | 2,297 | 42  | 2,818 | 2,561 | 440   | 2,043 | 73,377  | 95.67% | 95.67% | \$724,731   | \$12,130,966 | \$13,660,307 |
| SEATAC TOTALS           | 8,029  | 105 | 2,387 | 1,542 | 70  | 1,681 | 2,847 | 1131  | 1,991 | 197,311 | 88.93% | 88.93% | \$307,435   | \$10,994,632 | \$12,613,148 |
| 7 RIVERS TOTALS         | 4,066  | 23  | 1,076 | 622   | 15  | 1,496 | 1,587 | 213   | 714   | 56,431  | 87.25% | 87.25% | \$1,391,504 | \$14,035,131 | \$5,612,450  |
| PNW CONFERENCE TOTALS   | 29,610 | 671 | 8,433 | 7,911 | 168 | 8,098 | 9,528 | 2,448 | 6,909 | 433,386 | 92.83% | 92.83% | \$2,999,339 | \$46,470,834 | \$48,427,795 |





# R. CONFERENCE ROLLS

## A-1 ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - PASTORS

For additional information see Section D, Alphabetical Directory. Names of ordained ministers are in *italics*. Please send any corrections to the Conference Secretary.

*Adkinson, Austin*  
*Agduyeng, Yvonne*  
*Agtarap, Shalom*  
*Amestoy, Alissa*  
*Aosved, Joel*  
*Bagwell, Emily*  
*Baumgartner, Laura*  
*Beeman, Bradley*  
*Behn-Smith, Kendra*  
*Bolerjack, Jan*  
*Bolger, Lara*  
*Bowers, Carolyn*  
*Breznau, Dan*  
*Brokaw, Pam*  
*Brown, William*  
*Bryan, William*  
*Campton-Stehr, Michele*  
*Canlas, Querubin*  
*Carr, Troy Lynn*  
*Comer, Cecilia*  
*Conklin, Debra*  
*Connolley, Lisa*  
*Corsilles, Dione*  
*Crookes, Murray*  
*Dahlman-Oeth, Kelly*  
*Del Rosario, Daniel*  
*DeLarme, Shirley*  
*Deuel, Robert*  
*Dodd, Meredith*  
*Eisenbarth, Alexa*  
*Farias, Jesse*  
*Felicitas-Malana, Lilia*  
*Folau, Mausia*  
*Fraser, Molly*  
*Frisbie, Drew*  
*Giese, Melinda*  
*Gonzaga, Conrado*

*Graef, John*  
*Gudger-Raines, Christopher*  
*Gudger-Raines, Meredith*  
*Hall, April*  
*Hartgraves, Kathy*  
*Hartman, Lee Carney*  
*Head-Corliss, James*  
*Helmiere, John*  
*Helton, Geoffrey*  
*Heschle, Henry*  
*Hewson, Darryn*  
*Holmes, Laura*  
*Irby, Thomas*  
*Johnson, Mark*  
*Kim, Joseph*  
*Klosterman, Kathryn*  
*Kurtz, Janelle*  
*Ladd, Katie*  
*Law, Cathlynn*  
*Lawson, Mike*  
*Lee, Kevin*  
*Llenado, Ferdinand*  
*Lock, Ann*  
*Longstroth, Patricia*  
*Marston-Bibl, Ruth*  
*McBride, Brook*  
*McGuckin, Derek*  
*McMurray, Mark*  
*Mitchell, Paul*  
*Moore, C Shane*  
*Mullinix, Jeffrey*  
*Murphy, James*  
*Natland, Cody*  
*Nicol, Amanda*  
*Ortiz, Paul*  
*Ostrom, Susan*  
*Park, Yong*

*Parker, David*  
*Peterson, Thomas*  
*Ramming, Melissa*  
*Rigor, Hubert*  
*Roberts, Cynthia*  
*Roberts, Denise*  
*Roberts, Tara*  
*Romeijn-Stout, Jo Dene*  
*Schaadt, Jo Ann*  
*Schindler, Elizabeth*  
*Scriven, Cara*  
*Seman, Heather*  
*Seui, Michael*  
*Shedlock, Katy*  
*Shipley, Donald*  
*Smith, Bruce*  
*Smith, Jennifer*  
*Sparkman, Heather*  
*Sperry, Deborah*  
*Taylor, Zachary*  
*Ward, Sandra*  
*Weistaner, Linda*  
*White, Justin*  
*Wuenssch, Cheryl*  
*Yang, Thomas*  
*Yokota Love, Karen*

**A-2. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION  
APPOINTED TO EXTENSION MINISTRIES**

(\*=Extension as secondary appointment)

| <u>Within UMC Connection</u> | <u>To Endorsed Extension<br/>Ministries</u> | <u>To Other Valid Ministries</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <i>Galang, John Mark</i>     | <i>Carter, James</i>                        | <i>Lisa Ishihara</i>             |
| <i>Miranda, Daniel</i>       | <i>Clark, Genevieve M.</i>                  | <i>Telfer, Thomas</i>            |
| <i>Miranda, Sheila</i>       | <i>Degener, Dennis</i>                      | <i>Wolle, Angela</i>             |
| <i>Nakano, Derek</i>         | <i>Gibson, Terrill</i>                      |                                  |
| <i>Neary, Kathy</i>          | <i>Henre, Abigail</i>                       |                                  |
| <i>Nieda, David</i>          | <i>Holloway, Melinda</i>                    |                                  |
| <i>Phillips, Jennifer</i>    | <i>Hudson, Kevin</i>                        |                                  |
| <i>Santos, Cruz Edwin</i>    | <i>Huycke, Mary</i>                         |                                  |
| <i>Sharpe, Neal</i>          | <i>Klepach, Scott</i>                       |                                  |
| <i>Valera, David</i>         | <i>Sealey, Gregg</i>                        |                                  |
| <i>Weber, Kathleen</i>       | <i>Smith, Michael</i>                       |                                  |
| <i>Wright, David</i>         | <i>Van der Does, Pam</i>                    |                                  |
|                              | <i>Wallace, Jeff</i>                        |                                  |
|                              | <i>Yackey, Kathleen</i>                     |                                  |

**A-3. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION  
PASTORS APPOINTED IN OTHER ANNUAL CONFERENCES**

|                                |                            |                               |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Banks, Casey</i>            | <i>Hicks, Tori</i>         | <i>Martin Tichenor, Karen</i> |
| <i>Carroll, Emily</i>          | <i>Jones, Robert</i>       | <i>Wang, John</i>             |
| <i>Coleman Campbell, Micah</i> | <i>Oliver, Andrew</i>      | <i>Wilcox, Daniel</i>         |
| <i>Dammann, Karen</i>          | <i>Romeijn-Stout, Nico</i> |                               |
| <i>Denton, Edd</i>             | <i>Stuart, Jen</i>         |                               |
| <i>Hicks, Robert</i>           | <i>Talbott, Lisa Marie</i> |                               |

**A-6. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

|                            |                             |                           |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Bolger, Lara</i>        | <i>Hudson, Roger</i>        | <i>Scriven, Cara</i>      |
| <i>Fairhurst, Richenda</i> | <i>Legner, Peter</i>        | <i>Seaman, Heather</i>    |
| <i>Lee Carney Hartman</i>  | <i>Murphy, James</i>        | <i>Smith-Worden, Jana</i> |
| <i>John Helmiere (FE)</i>  | <i>Schindler, Elizabeth</i> | <i>Wolle, Angela</i>      |

**A-7. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - ON MEDICAL LEAVE**

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Henre, Robert</i> | <i>Kymn, Gloria</i>      |
| <i>Kennedy, Marc</i> | <i>McCutcheon, Paula</i> |

**A-8. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - ON FAMILY LEAVE**

**A-9. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - RETIRED**

*Abrams, Lloyd*  
*Adachi-Osawa, Nancy*  
*Agtarap, Alfredo*  
*Ahn, Jee*  
*Albright, Thomas*  
*Alden, Leon*  
*Anderson, Janette*  
*Aosved, Alvin*  
*Arnold, Lindsey*  
*Aumua, Chester*  
*Baisinger, Karen*  
*Baker, Walter*  
*Baber, Steve*  
*Barr, Roger*  
*Beeman, Patricia*  
*Beeman, Paul*  
*Berney, Ann*  
*Bigham, Elmer*  
*Biles, David*  
*Bowers, Flora*  
*Boyd, Mary*  
*Branham, Edward*  
*Braun, David*  
*Brenchley, Marilyn*  
*Brewer, John*  
*Brown, Joanne*  
*Brown, Sanford*  
*Burnett, Hazel*  
*Caball, John*  
*Carlson, A. Thomas*  
*Caskey, Steven*  
*Chae, John*  
*Chamberlain, Betty*  
*Cho, Kwan*  
*Choy, Wilbur*  
*Chung, Shin*  
*Clarke, James*  
*Cockrum, Dale*  
*Coghill, Richard*  
*Coleman Campbell, Joanne*  
*Coleman Campbell, John*  
*Cook, J. Richard*  
*Cotton, Bonnie*  
*Cram, Chuck*  
*Cramer, Donald*  
*Davies, Carol*

*Davis, K. James*  
*Davison, Karen*  
*Degener, Dennis*  
*DePano, Stanley*  
*Dow, Kevin*  
*Duncan, Jeanne*  
*Eberle, Thomas*  
*Eddings, Lawrence*  
*Edwards, David*  
*Ellington, William*  
*Ernst, David*  
*Essen, Barbara*  
*Everett, Kathryn*  
*Fear, Cheryl*  
*Felver, Paul*  
*Ferree-Clark, Nancy*  
*Finkbeiner, James*  
*Finkbeiner, Melvin*  
*Foster, L. Daniel*  
*Fredericksen, Karla*  
*Frey, Bonnie*  
*Garrison, C. Harry*  
*Geiger, Ruth*  
*Gerhard, Daniel*  
*Gibson, Terrill*  
*Gillespie, David*  
*Goldson, Edsel*  
*Gordon, William*  
*Gorman, Matt*  
*Graves, Paul*  
*Gray, Ruth*  
*Green, Floyd*  
*Green, William*  
*Hackett, Keith*  
*Hall, Terry*  
*Hamilton, Sharon*  
*Hamsbar, Edward*  
*Hargis, Richard*  
*Harrison, C. Scott*  
*Hart, Vincent*  
*Harvey, Pharis*  
*Hayes, Anne*  
*Hemrich, Jerald*  
*Henderson, Randall*  
*Hierholzer, John*  
*Hindman, Charles*

*Hines, Ronald*  
*Hu, Andrew*  
*Hubbard, Joe*  
*Huff, Walter*  
*Hunsberger, John*  
*Hutchins, Graham*  
*Huycke, Mary*  
*Hylkema, Davis*  
*Ingram, Beryl*  
*Ireland, Lindsay*  
*Iwabuchi, Hiroyasu*  
*Jackson, Gregory*  
*James, Kathlyn*  
*Jeffrey, D. Paul*  
*Jennings, Amy*  
*Jewell, Judy*  
*Johnson, Carol*  
*Johnson, David*  
*Johnson, Wilfred*  
*Jones, Howard*  
*Jones, William*  
*Joo, Wansik*  
*Kennedy, Glenn*  
*Knight, Leslie*  
*Koch, Richard*  
*Kuhn, Paul*  
*Lang, Richard*  
*Lange, Donald*  
*Lewis, James*  
*Lindsay-Hudgins, Debra*  
*Lockwood, George*  
*Lookingbill, Mary*  
*Lura, David*  
*Ma, Jin Ming*  
*Magnuson, Dennis*  
*Makus, Katherine*  
*Mariano, Carol*  
*Martin, Thomas*  
*Mathis, Ruth*  
*Maxwell, John*  
*McDonald, Joy*  
*McLemore, Douglas*  
*McPherson, Richard*  
*Meyer-Odell, Patricia*  
*Miyake, Kenneth*  
*Moe, Sharon*

**R-4 CONFERENCE ROLLS****2023 PNWAC****A-9. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - RETIRED, continued**

|                              |                                  |                               |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Moore, Benjamin</i>       | <i>Reinholz, Julia</i>           | <i>Steffen, Thomas</i>        |
| <i>Morrill, Justin</i>       | <i>Reinmuth, John</i>            | <i>Stierwalt, Rollin</i>      |
| <i>Morse, Kathryn</i>        | <i>Rice, Earl</i>                | <i>Suzuki, Yugo</i>           |
| <i>Murphree, Lowell</i>      | <i>Rice, Stephen</i>             | <i>Taber, Gisela</i>          |
| <i>Needles, Roberta</i>      | <i>Rockhill, R. King</i>         | <i>Tarr, Stephen</i>          |
| <i>Neethling, Johann</i>     | <i>Roller, Victoria</i>          | <i>Thuirer, James</i>         |
| <i>Norman, Stanley</i>       | <i>Romeijn, Willem</i>           | <i>Tinney, David</i>          |
| <i>Northrup, Ronald</i>      | <i>Rosas, Robert</i>             | <i>Todd, Homer</i>            |
| <i>O'Connor, Kathleen</i>    | <i>Rowe, Rodolph</i>             | <i>Tucker, R. Thomas</i>      |
| <i>O'Connor-Magee, Joyce</i> | <i>Russell, Tim</i>              | <i>Tudor, Brenda</i>          |
| <i>O'Donnell, Randolph</i>   | <i>Sailer, Dan</i>               | <i>Van Beek, Rex</i>          |
| <i>O'Neal, Michael</i>       | <i>Schnee, Gordon</i>            | <i>Vergin, David</i>          |
| <i>Ocampo, J. Allan</i>      | <i>Schneider, Wayne</i>          | <i>Vinther, Richard</i>       |
| <i>Ocbeltree, Rick</i>       | <i>Schroeder, Stephen</i>        | <i>Waite, Douglas</i>         |
| <i>Olson, Derel</i>          | <i>Schultz, Judith</i>           | <i>Walker, Paul</i>           |
| <i>Olson, Jo Ann</i>         | <i>Scott, Marlu</i>              | <i>Walker, Robert</i>         |
| <i>Oppelaar, Alan</i>        | <i>Shaffer, John</i>             | <i>Ward, Robert</i>           |
| <i>Orendorff, David</i>      | <i>Sharrard, David</i>           | <i>Watson, James</i>          |
| <i>Ortmeyer, John</i>        | <i>Shreve, Michael</i>           | <i>Wendleton, David</i>       |
| <i>Osborne, Pamela</i>       | <i>Simpson, James</i>            | <i>Westfall Neuschwander,</i> |
| <i>Overman, Richard</i>      | <i>Simpson, Patricia</i>         | <i>Denise</i>                 |
| <i>Parker, Rebecca</i>       | <i>Smith, Alta</i>               | <i>White, J. Edsel</i>        |
| <i>Parrish, Craig</i>        | <i>Smith, Betty</i>              | <i>Wolf, Milton</i>           |
| <i>Paschke, Dennis</i>       | <i>Smith, Jerry</i>              | <i>Woodworth, Melvin</i>      |
| <i>Pea, Jack</i>             | <i>Smith, Michael</i>            | <i>Yamashita, Robert</i>      |
| <i>Peach, Ellen</i>          | <i>Smith, Montgomery</i>         | <i>Yeoh, Keat</i>             |
| <i>Peck, William</i>         | <i>Snook, Walter</i>             | <i>Yount, Nancy</i>           |
| <i>Pierce, Lyda</i>          | <i>Snow, Sherman</i>             | <i>Zaske, David</i>           |
| <i>Poole, Steven</i>         | <i>Sorenson, A. Donald., Jr.</i> |                               |
| <i>Price, Julia</i>          | <i>Southwick, John</i>           |                               |
| <i>Price, William</i>        | <i>Spaur, Larry</i>              |                               |
| <i>Purkey, Edward</i>        | <i>Speicher, Larry</i>           |                               |
| <i>Randall, Mark</i>         | <i>Stanton, Wesley</i>           |                               |
| <i>Reeck, Darrell</i>        | <i>Starkey, Gary</i>             |                               |

**A-10. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - SURVIVING SPOUSES**

|                            |                        |                         |
|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Ankeny, Laurel</i>      | <i>Drew, Peggy</i>     | <i>Irby, Peggy</i>      |
| <i>Bartalamay, Ora Lee</i> | <i>Farr, Lynette</i>   | <i>Jensen, Carol</i>    |
| <i>(Moore)</i>             | <i>Garner, Helen</i>   | <i>Kaelyn, Charlynn</i> |
| <i>Bassett, Ethel</i>      | <i>Giri, Lalita</i>    | <i>Kallis, Mayda</i>    |
| <i>Beal, Lois</i>          | <i>Hanke, Doreen</i>   | <i>Kalso, Geraldine</i> |
| <i>Benedict, Carol</i>     | <i>Harrison, Carol</i> | <i>Lake, Mary Jo</i>    |
| <i>Brizee, Adrienne</i>    | <i>Herren, Janet</i>   | <i>Lee, Alice</i>       |
| <i>Canlas, Do Gracia</i>   | <i>Hersch, Jean</i>    | <i>Luke, Billie</i>     |
| <i>Cate, Jan</i>           | <i>Houck, Marilyn</i>  | <i>Lyon, Sara</i>       |
| <i>Dooley, Vivian E.</i>   | <i>Hughes, Dottie</i>  | <i>McClurg, Ruth L.</i> |

A-10. ELDERS IN FULL CONNECTION - SURVIVING SPOUSES, continued

|                    |                          |                  |
|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Moller, Lois       | Semke, Harriet           | Thomas, Charleen |
| Narum, Maxine      | Short, Karen             | Turner, Alma     |
| Olive, Glynn       | Sims, Ruth (McConnell)   | Vance, Geri      |
| Patterson, Barbara | Sjoberg, Cheryl (Vaughn) | Vaughn, Leslie   |
| Reynolds, Susan    | Smith, Kendra            |                  |
| Ritchey, Elizabeth | Smith, Peggy             |                  |
| Roddey, Edna       | Smith, Velma             |                  |
| Schaub, Andra      | Stevenson, Janet C.      |                  |
| Seiber, Wilma      | Strance, Caryl           |                  |

B-1. DEACONS IN FULL CONNECTION

|                         |                                  |                            |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Barckley, Kay C.</i> | <i>Ellison-Oslin, Kristin A.</i> | <i>Stanton-Nurse, Mary</i> |
| <i>Byers, Rachel</i>    | <i>Haberman, Mark</i>            |                            |

B-2. DEACONS MEMBERS OF OTHER CONFERENCES

*London, Steve*

B-3. RETIRED DEACONS IN FULL CONNECTION

|                              |                             |                           |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Cheshire, Lynn Marie</i>  | <i>Martin, Joy</i>          | <i>Peterson, Carolyn</i>  |
| <i>Duncan, Jr., R. Scott</i> | <i>McGuiness, Denise M.</i> | <i>Seaton, Suzanne K.</i> |
| <i>Leonard, Janet</i>        | <i>Nicholson, Laura</i>     |                           |

C-1A. PROVISIONAL ELDERS (2016 Discipline)

|                 |                  |                       |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Aho, Mele       | Kennedy, Marc    | Skinner-Creek, Ashley |
| Bland, Carrie   | Lyle, Catherine  | Tabor, Gayle          |
| Corliss, Kellen | Madsen, Megan    | Woods, Megan          |
| Ishihara, Lisa  | Rand, Evangeline |                       |

C-1B. PROVISIONAL DEACONS (2016 Discipline)

D-1. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS - PASTORS

D-2. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS - RETIRED

|                          |                        |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Backlund, Dorothy Riegel | Kallshian, Marilyn     | White, Calvin M. |
| Carlson, Kenneth W.      | Parish, Harold E.      | Wilkins, Joan E. |
| Caviezel, Barbara        | Rivera-Garcia, Eleazar | Wilson, Roy I.   |
| Graham-Laraene, Sharon   | Schellberg, Marta      |                  |

E-1. MEMBERS OF OTHER CONFERENCES APPOINTED IN THIS CONFERENCE (OE)

|                    |                    |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Boegli, Susan      | Hiestand, John     | Poole, Kim         |
| Casey, Sarah       | Joh, Wongee        | Santos, Cruz-Edwin |
| Feagin, Richard O. | Jung, Joseph       | Smith, Jeremy      |
| Feliciano, Norman  | Llenado, Ferdinand | Thomison, Douglas  |
| Füss, Richard      | Mars John          |                    |
| Go, John           | Park, Mia MiKyung  |                    |

**E-2. AFFILIATE MEMBERS - WITHOUT VOTE****F-1. PASTORS-IN-CHARGE ORDAINED IN ANOTHER  
DENOMINATION (OF)**

|                     |                 |                  |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Antilla, Phillip    | Dowling, Meghan | McKenzie, Jessie |
| Brown, Malcolm      | Dunn, Donald    | Wells, David     |
| Clark-Strait, Lauri | Harris, Byron   | F. David Wells   |
| Corner, Paul        | Howard, Luann   | Withers, Sharyn  |
| DeTienne, Tiffany   | Madsen, Megan   |                  |

**G-1. HONORABLE LOCATEES**

|                       |                        |                   |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Bertoglio, Michael C. | Hanson, Rachon         | Weber, Donald R.  |
| Campbell, Kathleen R. | Karalfa, Linda K.      | Wells, Leah J.    |
| Corsaro, Monica       | Lancaster, Gail        | Williams, Mark E. |
| Dahlstrom, Laura      | Littlejohn, Marilyn J. | Wood, Jean Marie  |
| Edwards, Arthur       | Neal, Golden           | Yahng, Michael M. |

**G-2. HONORABLE LOCATEES - RETIRED**

|                      |                      |                   |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Bose, Kenneth        | Kinch, Robert F.     | Peterson, John W. |
| Calkins, Robert G.   | Knowles, Dewey A.    | Rector, Robert E. |
| Doughty, Richard P.  | Larson, Donald D.    | Smith, Dennis     |
| Fulkerson, Ronald P. | Martin, Wayne S.     | Stamey, Curtis H. |
| Hess, Robin G.       | McRae, Jacqueline L. |                   |
| Hussey, Dana         | Moore, Michael       |                   |

**H-1. LOCAL PASTORS - FULL TIME (FL)**

|                 |                 |                |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Andres, Hannah  | Marie, Sheila   | Stauffer, Cody |
| Guzman, Gerardo | McFadden, Vonda | Wagner, Mark   |
| Jenkins, Samara | McGowan, Lesli  |                |
| Klepach, Scott  | Rodriguez, Joel |                |

**H-2. LOCAL PASTORS - PART TIME (PL)**

|                   |                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Chamberlain, Brad | Kilroy, Kate      | Sleeth, Pat       |
| Devantier, Rene   | Malua, Sione      | Spaur Pile, Tanya |
| Deveney, Celeste  | Mattocks, Allison | Tifre, Zulma      |
| Estévez, Sofia    | Pacheco, Jose     |                   |
| Fisher, Karen     | Partch, Jennifer  |                   |
| Jenkins, Samara   | Puloka, Sia       |                   |

**H-3. LOCAL PASTORS - RETIRED**

|                       |                         |                  |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Baker, Marcella       | Figuerola, Irma         | Mize, Jane       |
| Barrick, Kathy        | Figuerola Rivera, Ralph | Ray, Peggy       |
| Blackstock, Larry     | Griggs, Susan           | Riddle, Wendy    |
| Bramstedt, K Marcella | Harvill, Gerri          | Rowe, Janice     |
| Cooper, Michael       | Herrick, Hermie         | Sheahan, Colleen |
| Cottrell, Kathy       | Maddux, Marvin          | Tuirotuma, Jale  |
| DeMent, Peggy         | McGinnis, Jim           | Vao, Maka        |
| Downing, Roger        | McNett, Margaret        | Walker, Kathy L. |

**H-4. LOCAL PASTORS - SURVIVING SPOUSES**

Roddey, Edna B.

**I-1A. CERTIFIED LAY MINISTER**

|                          |                |                  |
|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Arnold, Sharon           | Arnold, Sharon | Peacock, Karen   |
| Beeks-Kerstein, Debra    | Behrens, Randy | Robinson, Sue    |
| Burns, Gary              | Brown, Brian   | Watson, Frank    |
| Grant, Ron               | Dodd, Dallas   | McCaulley, Sandi |
| Raymond, Cathy           | Dunlap, Helen  | Rosekrans, Scott |
| Sardinia, Laurie         | Kazda, Steven  | Brown, Kelvin    |
| Troxel, Laverne 'Cookie' | Long, Denis    | Garnett, Kathryn |
| Anderson, Larry          |                |                  |

**I-1B. CERTIFIED LAY MINISTER - RETIRED**

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Cottrell, Kathy | Watts, Sonya |
| Scholl, Bill    | Moon, Carol  |

**I-2. LAY VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY (LIMPOP) - RETIRED**

|                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Ashbrook, Paul | Howell, Donald E. |
| Corlett, Melba | Kilian, Joanne    |

**J-1. LAY PERSONS ASSIGNED TO LOCAL CHURCHES (LPA)**

|                   |            |                           |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Elliott, Danielle | Jacob, Ann | Schneider, John "Jack" R. |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------------|

**K-1. DIACONAL MINISTERS APPOINTED**

Jabin, Peter

**K-2. DIACONAL MINISTERS - RETIRED**

|                        |                    |                       |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Bowers, Leon F. (Bill) | Kite, Dick         | Schmitt, Geraldine M. |
| Flagel, Joanne         | Ostrander, Carolyn |                       |

**L-1. DEACONESS MINISTERS - APPOINTED**

|                 |                       |                |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Agtarap, Sophia | Salapang-Duncan, Myra | Swedborg, Lynn |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|

**L-2. DEACONESSSES/LAY MISSIONARIES - RETIRED**

|                   |                  |            |
|-------------------|------------------|------------|
| Bartlett, Faye E. | Jones, Nellie M. | Ray, Angel |
|-------------------|------------------|------------|

**M-1. MISSIONARIES FROM OR ASSIGNED TO PNWAC**

|                     |                        |                       |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dietrich, Jean-Paul | Maleka, Jean Claude    | Scheuerman, Carmen    |
| Erbele, Evelyn      | Masuka                 | Segura-April, Desiree |
| Erbele, Teri        | Mufuk, Francine Ilunga | Segura-Guzman, Osias  |
| Kies, Jane          | Mpanga                 | Zimmerman, Mark       |
| Lim, Hesed Soriano  | Parker, Katherine      |                       |

**M-2. RETIRED MISSIONARIES FROM PNWAC**

|                    |               |                   |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Dingle, Leila V.   | Hobson, Ruby  | Schaad, Lloyd     |
| Edmonds, L. Dayton | Jeffrey, Paul | Schaad, Margaret  |
| Edmonds, Taleah    | Pierce, Lyda  | Suzuki, Elizabeth |
| Heiner, Howard     | Rice, Delbert | Suzuki, Yugo      |
| Heiner, Peggy      | Rice, Esther  |                   |

**M-3. GLOBAL MISSION FELLOWS - US2S**

Leahy, Eithne

**N-4. CERTIFIED IN SPECIALIZED MINISTRIES**

Jim McGinnis - Christian Education                      Joy Martin - Spiritual Formation

**P-1. CONFERENCE AND DISTRICT DIRECTORS OF LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES**

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vacant

**Q-1. LAY MEMBERS ELECTED BY DISTRICTS**

| Clergy Spouses | Young Adults                                        | Youth                         |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| C2C:           | C2C: Sakiusa Vakade-watabua                         | C2C:                          |
| IN:            | IN: Kaylissa Beale                                  | IN:                           |
| PS:            | PS: Ian McKnight<br>Rachel Tobey<br>Patricia Gerdes | PS:                           |
| ST:            | Ann Jacob<br>Amanda Tobey                           | ST: Emma Hearn<br>Anapuli Aho |
| SR:            | Drew Hogan                                          | SR:                           |
|                | ST: Lyne Onishi<br>Falisha Hola                     |                               |
|                | SR: Taylor Justo                                    |                               |



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