



# Nominations

Nominations Report

2023 Annual Conference

June 2-4, 2023

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Acme, Michigan



**Michigan Conference**

The United Methodist Church

# NOMINATIONS REPORT

## for the

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## The United Methodist Church

Nominations Effective July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024  
(Year elected is in parenthesis following name)

The Annual Conference Granted the Nominations Committee to Fill Vacancies Between Annual Conferences.  
June 3, 2023

### **Inclusiveness of The Michigan Conference of The United Methodist Church (1)**

The Michigan Conference of The United Methodist Church acknowledges that all persons are of sacred worth. All persons without regard to race, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, relationship, ability, national origin, status, or economic condition, shall be eligible to attend its worship services, participate in its programs, receive the sacraments, upon baptism be admitted as baptized members, and upon taking vows declaring the Christian faith, become professing members in any local church in the Conference. In The Michigan Conference of The United Methodist Church, no local church or other organizational unit of the conference shall be structured so as to exclude any member or any constituent body of the conference because of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, relationship, ability, national origin, status, or economic condition. Nor shall any lay or clergy member be denied access to an equal place in the life, worship, ministry, governance of the conference, local church, or other organizational unit of the conference because of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, relationship, ability, national origin, status, or economic condition.

### **AGENCIES RELATING TO CHRIST-CENTERED MISSION AND MINISTRY**

#### **Annual Conference Session, Commission on the (2.1.3)**

Eight voting members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations, in consultation with the Executive Team, who shall be either Clergy Members of the Annual Conference or Lay People who are members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable twice, in annually staggered classes.

Commission shall elect from among its membership the following:

*Chairperson:* Rev. David Eardley

*Vice Chairperson:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Worship Coordinator:* **Rev. Anna Moon**

*Head Usher:* Mara Marsman

The Conference Secretary, Rev. Joy Barrett, shall serve as the Secretary of the Commission.

Conference Events Planner/Annual Conference Coordinator: Nancy Arnold

#### **Class**

2024

2025

2026

2027

#### **Lay People**

Elizabeth "Liz" Carr (2020)

Mara Marsman (2018)

**Lisa Poy (2020)**

#### **Clergy**

Leslee Fritz (2018)

Anna Moon (2018)

David Eardley (2018)

Albert Rush (2022)

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**Executive Committee:** Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer "Jennie" Browne**), Chairperson (Rev. David Eardley), Worship Coordinator (**Rev. Anna Moon**), Director of Communications (Mark Doyal), Conference Secretary (Rev. Joy Barrett), Annual Conference Coordinator/Conference Events Planner (Nancy Arnold).

**Ex Officio with vote:** Resident Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard) or representative, Conference Lay Leader (Annette Erbes) or representative, Conference Secretary (Rev. Joy Barrett), Chair of the Committee on Rules (Todd Price) or representative, District Superintendent designated by the Cabinet (Rev. Jodie Flessner), Legislative Coordinator (Diane Brown), Conference Facilitator (Jennifer "Jen" Peters), a representative of the Board of Ordained Ministry (Rev. Lindsey Hall), Head Usher (Mara Marsman)

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer "Jennie" Browne**), Director of Communications (Mark Doyal).

**Given voice:** Annual Conference Registrar (Sarah Vollmer).

### **Communications, Commission on (2.2.3)**

Four persons who shall be Clergy Members or Local Pastors of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations, in consultation with the Director of Communications.

*The Conference Director of Communications (Mark Doyal) shall chair the commission.*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		Dillon Burns (2018)
2025	Alexandria “Ali” Belsky (2021)	
2026		Victoria “Vicky” Prewitt (2018)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Oneika Mobley (2018)</b>	

**Ex Officio with vote:** Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), or Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**), at the Bishop’s discretion, Conference Lay Leader (Annette Erbes), Board Members of UM Communications residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Content Editor (James Deaton), IT Specialist (Rev. Michael Mayo-Moyle) or representative, Conference Director of Communications (Mark Doyal), Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**).

### **Journal, Committee on the (2.3.3)**

Four people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*The Conference Secretary shall serve as Chairperson and Secretary: Rev. Joy Barrett*

*The committee shall elect from among its members a Vice Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		
2025	Blair Hunt (2018)	
2026		Carol Freeland (2018) Kathryn “Kathy” Cadarette (2018)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Mandana Nordbrock (2018)</b>	

**Ex Officio with vote:** Conference Secretary (Rev. Joy Barrett).

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Conference Director of Communications (Mark Doyal).

**Provided for Information Only:** Annual Conference Secretarial Support (Pastor Cheryl Mancier, Pastor Crystal Thomas).

**Advisors:** Rev. Wilson “Drew” Hart, Rev. Ronald “Ron” Iris.

### **Justice, Board of (2.4)**

*Chairperson: Rev. George Covintree*

*(Chairperson of the Board is an additional member, chosen by Committee on Nominations)*

*Vice Chairperson(s): Pastor Dale Milford and Patricia Bostic*

*(Convener(s) shall serve as Vice Chairperson(s) of the Board, chosen by the conveners)*

*Each Division shall elect a Convener.*

### **Church and Society, Division of (2.4.3.1)**

Four people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*Convener shall be elected among the members: Pastor Albert Rush*

**Church and Society, Division of (2.4.3.1) – Continued**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		Corey Simon (2018)
2025	Clarice McKenzie (2018)	
2026		Albert Rush (2018)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Denny Stoneman (2023)</b>	

**Ex Officio with vote:** Mission Coordinator for Social Action of the Conference United Methodist Women/Women of Faith (Jocelyn Davis), any Member of the General Board of Church and Society residing in the bounds of the Annual Conference (Rev. Paul Perez), the Conference Peace with Justice Coordinator, who shall be named by the Division of Church and Society and shall serve at the division's pleasure for up to eight years.

**Religion and Race, Division on (2.4.3.2)**

Two Clergy Members of the Annual Conference. Two Laymen who shall be Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference. Two Laywomen who shall be Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*Convener shall be elected among the members: Ernestine "Tina" Campbell*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		
2025	Ernestine "Tina" Campbell (2018)	Dale Milford (2021)
2026		Robert "Rob" Cook (2022)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Hoon-Yung Hopgood (2018)</b>	

**Ex Officio with vote:** Any member of the General Commission on Religion and Race residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

**Status and Role of Women, Division on the (2.4.3.3)**

Two Clergy Women who shall be members of the Annual Conference. A Clergyman who shall be a member of the Annual Conference. Three Laymen who shall be Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference. Three Laywomen who shall be Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*Convener shall be elected among the members and shall be a woman: Patricia Bostic*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laywomen (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Laymen (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Sarah Hercula (2021)	_____	Jenaba Waggy (2021)
2025	Patricia Bostic (2018)	_____	
2026	_____	_____	Monica William (2022)
<b>2027</b>			<b>Nicholas Bonsky (2023)</b>

**Ex Officio with vote:** Any member of the General Commission on the Status and Role of Women residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

**Given voice:** Rev. Stephanie Norton (2022)

**District Superintendent Rep:** Rev. Dwayne Bagley.

**Disability Concerns, Division on (2.4.3.4)**

Four people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

At least one member of the division shall have a physical disability.

At least one member of the division shall have a mental disability.

*Convener shall be elected among the members: Rev. Michelle King*

**Disability Concerns, Division on (2.4.3.4) – Continued**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Greg Hicok (2020)	
2025	Norma Hood (2021)	Amee Paparella (2018) Michelle King (2021)

**Global Ministries, Board of (2.5.3)**

Twelve people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Board will elect from its members the following:

*Chairperson: Rev. Alexander "Alex" Plum*

*Secretary: Taylorie Bailey*

*Vice Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Financial Secretary: Charles "Chuck" Woolley*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Taylorie Bailey (2020) Dayne Walling (2021)	Dillon Burns (2020)
2025		<b>George Marck (2023)</b> <b>Mariel "Kay" DeMoss (2023)</b> Alexander "Alex" Plum (2022)
2026	Charles "Chuck" Woolley (2018)	<b>Ava Williams Euper (2019)</b> <b>LuAnne Stanley Hook (2023)</b>
<b>2027</b>	<b>Laurie Kaufman delaGarza (2019)</b>	

**Ex Officio with vote:** Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation of the Conference United Methodist Women/Women of Faith (Michele Weston), the Conference Secretary of Global Ministries, who shall be appointed by the Board and shall serve at its pleasure for up to eight years (Audra Hudson), Conference Disaster Response and Recovery Coordinator selected by the Board of Global Ministries (TBD), any Member of the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference, Conference VIM Coordinator (Jody Pratt), Chair of Town and Country Group, or their designee (Pastor Carol Freeland).

**Given voice:** Liberia Ministry Partnership (Rev. Jonathan "Jon" Reynolds), Haiti Ministry Partnership (**Valerie Mossman-Celestin**). GBGM Mission Personnel: Church and Community Worker (Randy Hildebrant), Global Mission Fellows/US-2s (Megan "Marie" Rittenberry [GR Community House], Ceneya Ward-Johns [WMU Wesley Campus Ministry]).

**District Superintendent Rep:** Rev. John Kasper.

**Archives and History, Commission on (2.6.3)**

Four Clergy Members of the Annual Conference.

Four Lay Persons who shall be Professing Members of a church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Commission will elect from its members the following:

*Chairperson: **Melanie Young***

*Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Vice Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		Brian Lightner (2019) Joyce Vanderlip (2021)
2025	William "Bill" McNitt (2018)	Melanie Young (2018)
2026	Margaret Goodrich (2022)	John Ross Thompson (2018)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Scott Peters (2023)</b>	<b>Cori Clevenger (2022)</b>

**Ex Officio with voice and vote:** The Archivists of the Conference Archives: Adrian College (Rebecca McNitt), Albion College (Elizabeth Palmer), President of the Michigan Area UMC Historical Society (Diana Spitnale Miller), Members of the General Commission on Archives and History (Diana Spitnale Miller, Linda Schramm).

## AGENCIES RELATING TO BOLD AND EFFECTIVE LEADERS

### Conference Leadership Council (3.1.3)

Four Clergy Members of the Annual Conference, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry.

Five Lay People who are Professing Members of a congregation within the Annual Conference.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Members shall serve three-year terms, renewable thrice, in annually staggered classes.

In consultation with the Bishop, the Council shall elect from its voting members:

*President: Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell*

*Vice President: Katja Falker*

*Secretary: Carmen Zeigler*

<u>Class</u>	<u>Laity</u>	<u>Clergy</u>
2024	Nichea VerVeer Guy (2021)	
2025	Carmen Zeigler (2018)	Eric Mulanda (2018)
2026	Mary Gladstone-Highland (2022)	Cora Glass (2022)
		<b>Devon Herrell (2022)</b>
		<b>Nadine Johnson (2022)</b>
<b>2027</b>	<b>Katja Falker (2020)</b>	
	<b>Sherman Louis (2023)</b>	

**Ex Officio with voice and vote:** Conference Lay Leader (Annette Erbes), President of the Council on Finance and Administration (TBD), a representative of the Division on Religion and Race of the Board of Justice (Ernestine “Tina” Campbell), any member of the Connectional Table residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference (Rev. Dr. Jerome “Jerry” DeVine), Chair of the Conference Board of Trustees or their designee (Rev. George Lewis), Chair of the Conference Human Resources Committee or their designee (Rev. Ellen Zienert), Chair of the Conference Board of Pension and Benefits or their designee (Rev. Joel Fitzgerald).

**Ex Officio with voice only:** Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), or Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne), Dean of the Appointive Cabinet (Rev. Dr. Margie Crawford), Chief Financial Officer (Angela “Angie” Anger), Director of Benefits and Human Resources (TBD), Director of Communications (Mark Doyal), any other Directors whose position may be created by the Conference Leadership Council.

**Other Elections (Elected by AC as Conference Rep):** North Central Jurisdictional Mission Council Member (Laura Witkowski).

Except for *ex officio* members listed hereinabove, the Chairperson of Conference Agencies and employees of Conference Agencies shall be ineligible for membership on the Council.

### Ordained Ministry, Board of (3.2.3)

At least twenty-five Full Clergy Members of the Annual Conference. At least one of whom shall be engaged in Extension Ministry. At least one of whom shall be age thirty-five or younger. At least two-thirds of whom shall be graduates of theological schools listed by the University Senate. At least one of whom shall be retired. At least three Clergy Persons who are either Associate Members or Local Pastors who have completed Course of Study. At least twelve Lay People who are Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall be nominated by the Bishop.

Members shall serve four-years terms (starting at the close of the Annual Conference Session following General Conference), renewable twice, with quadrennially staggered classes.

The Board shall elect from among its members:

*Chairperson: Rev. Barry Petrucci*

*Vice Chairperson: Rev. Mark Erbes*

*Secretary: Rev. Amy Lee Terhune*

*Treasurer: Kelly Ross*

*Registrar for Full and Associate Members: Rev. Kathy Brown*

*Registrar for Provisional Members: Rev. Briony Desotell*

*Registrar for Local Pastors: Pastor Melody Olin*

*Registrar for Specialized Ministry Certification: \_\_\_\_\_*

**Ordained Ministry, Board of (3.2.3) – Continued****CLERGY****2012 Quadrennium**

Thomas “Thom” Davenport (2018)  
 Briony Desotell (2018)  
 Mark Erbes (2018)  
 Annelissa “Lisa” Gray-Lion (2018)

Rob McPherson (2018)  
 Amy Lee Terhune (2018)  
 Mark Thompson (2018)  
 Christina Wright (2018)

**2016 Quadrennium**

Cora Glass (2019)  
 Paul Hahm (2018)  
 Lindsey Hall (2018)  
 Scott Lindenberg (2018)

Sue Pethoud (2019)  
 Barry Petrucci (2019)  
 Megan Walther (2019)

**2020 Quadrennium**

Sandra Bibilomo (2021)  
 Kathy Brown (2020)  
 Tania Dozeman (2021)  
 Susanne “Suzie” Hierholzer (2020)  
 Cathi Huvaere (2021)

Deborah “Deb” Johnson (2020)  
 Chad Parmalee (2020)  
 Jeremy Peters (2020)  
 Euk Sik “Cloud” Poy (2020)  
**Weatherly Verhelst (2023)**

**2024 Quadrennium**

**Susan Hitts (2023)**  
**Joan VanDessel (2023)**

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OR LOCAL PASTORS/COMPLETED COURSE OF STUDY****2012 Quadrennium**

Terri Bentley (2018)

Susan “Sue” Platt (2019)

**2016 Quadrennium**

Melody Olin (2019)

**2020 Quadrennium**

Marvin Herman (2020)

**Jeremy Wicks (2022)**

**LAY PERSONS****2016 Quadrennium**

Sharon Appling (2018)  
 Ted Brainard (2019)  
 Carol Hodges (2018)

Laure Mieskowski (2019)  
 Sue Pung (2019)  
 Kelly Ross (2018)

**2020 Quadrennium**

**Edith Wiarda (2023)**

**Executive Committee:** Chairpersons of the Order of Elders (Rev. Cathi Huvaere), Order of Deacons (Rev. Sue Pethoud), Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members (Pastor Marvin Herman and Pastor Jeremy Wicks).

**Conference Relations** shall be chaired by the Vice Chairperson, Rev. Mark Erbes. The Board shall determine membership. A District Superintendent shall not be a member.

**Ex Officio with voice and vote:** Chairpersons of the Order of Elders (Rev. Cathi Huvaere), the Order of Deacons (Rev. Sue Pethoud), the Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members (Pastor Marvin Herman), a District Superintendent named by the Bishop (Rev. Scott Harmon).

**Nominations, Committee on (3.3.3)**

Two persons nominated by the Annual Conference Session.

Ten persons nominated by the Conference Leadership Council.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, staggered annually.

The Committee shall elect the following from among its members:

*Chairperson:* **Rev. Dr. Tara Sutton**

*Vice Chairperson:* **Timothy Kobler**

*Secretary:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominations, Committee on (3.3.3) – Continued**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Taylorie Bailey (2018)	Yoo Jin Kim (2021)
2025		Tara Sutton (2021)
2026		Anthony Ballah (2022)
		Timothy Kobler (2022)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Kathryn Bough (2023)</b> <b>Audrey Kawel (2023)</b>	

Nominated by Annual Conference Session for Class of 2027: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by Annual Conference Session for Class of 2027: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ex Officio with vote:** District Superintendent (Rev. Dwayne Bagley), Conference Lay Leader (Annette Erbes), Chairperson or representative of Rules (James “Jim” Searls), Secretary of the Annual Conference (Rev. Joy Barrett).

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**)

**Episcopacy, Committee on the (3.4.3)**

Six Clergy Members of the Conference.

Six Lay Persons who shall be Professing Members of a local church within the conference, one of whom shall be the Conference Lay Leader.

Three members appointed by the Resident Bishop who, if laity, shall be Professing Members of a local church within the Conference and, if clergy, shall be members of the Annual Conference.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

The Committee shall elect from among its members the following:

*Chairperson: John Wharton*

*Vice Chairperson: Nichea VerVeer Guy*

*Secretary: Rev. Jessica “Jess” Davenport*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Mark Trierweiler (2020)	Carolin Spragg (2018)
2025	John Wharton (2018)	Dean Prentiss (2021)
2026	Wynne Hurlbut (2022)	Jennifer Jue (2022)
		Jessica “Jess” Davenport (2022)
<b>2027</b>	<b>Linda Darrow (2019)</b> <b>Marchelle “Micki” Phelps (2019)</b>	<b>Megan Walther (2019)</b>

Selected by the Bishop:

Pastor Gregory “Greg” Timmons (2018)

Rev. Elbert Dulworth (2018)

Bruce Smolenski (2018)

Conference Lay Leader: Annette Erbes

**Ex Officio with vote:** Members of the Jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy who reside within the bounds of the Annual Conference: Currently, Rev. Paul Perez and Nichea VerVeer Guy.

**AGENCIES RELATING TO VIBRANT CONGREGATIONS****United Methodist Women/United Women of Faith (4.1.3)**

Membership shall be composed of all members of the local United Methodist Women/ United Women of Faith units existing within the bounds of the Conference.

The United Methodist Women/United Women of Faith shall elect from among its members:

*President: Julia Paradine-Rice*

*Vice President: Waltha Gaye Leavitt*

*Secretary: Ethel Gill*

*Treasurer: Cheryl Rumery*



### **United Methodist Women/United Women of Faith (4.1.3) - Continued**

**Ex Officio with vote:** Resident Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), Members of the Board of Directors of the national office of the United Methodist Women/Women of Faith residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference. Members of the United Methodist Women/Women of Faith Program Advisory Group residing within the bounds of the Conference; Members of the North Central Jurisdiction United Methodist Women/Women of Faith Leadership Team residing within the bounds of the Conference; District Superintendent (Rev. Scott Harmon).

### **United Methodist Men (4.2.3)**

Membership of the United Methodist Men shall be made up of all men who are Professing Members of local churches within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

The United Methodist Men shall elect the following officers from among its members:

*President: Donald "Don" Archambeau*

*Vice President: John Huizing*

*Secretary: Peter Thoms*

*Treasurer: Raymond "Ray" McClintic*

**Ex Officio Members:** Any Members of the North Central Jurisdiction United Methodist Men residing within the bounds of the Conference, any Members of the General Commission on United Methodist Men residing within the bounds of the Conference, Conference Lay Leader (or designated representative), Resident Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), District Superintendent (Rev. Dr. Darryl Totty).

### **Laity. Board of (4.3.3)**

The Conference Lay Leader shall be the chairperson of the board. The Conference Associate Lay Leader shall be the Vice-Chairperson of the Board. The Board shall be amenable to the Conference Leadership Council.

Conference Lay Leader: Annette Erbes (2020)

Associate Lay Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

*Chairperson: Annette Erbes*

*Vice-Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Secretary: Dennis "Denny" Wissinger*

#### **District Lay Leaders:**

Central Bay: Dennis "Denny" Wissinger (2019) and **Dawn Levey (2023)**

East Winds: Bonnie Potter (2018) and Cynthia Rossman (2020)

Greater Detroit: Ruby Anderson (2018) and Kenneth Dowell (2018), Associate District Lay Leader

Greater Southwest: Wynne Hurlbut (2018) and **Lori Roof (2023)**

Heritage: \_\_\_\_\_

Northern Skies: Rick Gregg (2022) and Beth Pelkey (2022)

**Western Waters: Wendy Clark (2023)**

Associate Director for Connectional Ministries-Lead: Laura Witkowski

Conference Co-Directors of Lay Servant Ministries: John Hart and Jody Pratt (Ends 12/31/2023)

Conference Director of Lay Servant Ministries: **Colleen Croxall (Begins 01/01/2024)**

Conference Scouting Coordinator: **Ronald "Ron" Blaisdell**

Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries: **Rev. Dr. Jennifer "Jennie" Browne**

District Superintendent designated by the Cabinet: Rev. Dwayne Bagley

President of the United Methodist Men/United Men's Ministry (or representative): Donald "Don" Archambeau

President of the United Methodist Women/Women of Faith (or representative): Julia Paradine-Rice

Young Adult Ministry Rep: Gordon Grigg

Youth Ministry Rep: Celia Peters

### **Young People's Ministries, Board of (4.4)**

*Chairperson: Rev. Elizabeth Hurd*

*(Chairperson of the Board is an additional member, chosen by Committee on Nominations.)*

*Vice Chairperson: Rev. Scott Marsh*

*(Convener shall serve as Vice Chairperson of the Board, chosen by the conveners.)*

Each Team/Division shall elect a Convener.

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** A representative of the Michigan Area Board of Christian Camping (Rev. David Berkey).

**Young People’s Administrative Team (4.4.3.1)**

Two clergy persons, two laity, the Coordinator of Youth Initiatives, the Coordinator of Young Adult Initiatives, and a representative of the Division of Higher Education and Campus Ministries.

*(It is preferable, but not mandated, that the clergy and laity are young adults, youth, or youth workers.)*

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*Convener shall be elected among the members: Rev. Elizabeth Hurd*

Members:

**Laity**

Ethan Chu (2022)

Mary Comiskey (2022)

Elizabeth Storkey (2022)

Kaitlin Szcypka (2022)

**Clergy**

Angela Lovegrove (2022)

Paul Reissmann (2022)

**Higher Education and Campus Ministry, Division of (4.4.3.2)**

Six people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*Convener shall be elected among the members: Rev. Jeffrey “Jeff” Williams*

**Class**

2024

2025

2026

**2027**

**Laity**

**Lauren Canary (2023)**

**Gordon Grigg, III (2023)**

Rick Miller (2019)

**Sarah Hercula (2023)**

**Clergy**

Katherine Fahey (2018)

Jeffrey “Jeff” Williams (2018)

Mary Ivanov (2021)

**Brian Steele (2023)**

**Ex Officio with vote:** Any Member of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

**Congregational Life, Board of (4.5)**

*Chairperson: Rev. Dr. Anthony Hood*

*(Chairperson of the Board is an additional member, chosen by Committee on Nominations.)*

*Vice Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_*

*(Convener shall serve as Vice Chairperson of the Board, chosen by the conveners.)*

Each Division shall elect a Convener.

**Congregational Vibrancy, Division of (4.5.3.1)**

Four people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

*Convener shall be elected among the members: \_\_\_\_\_*

**Class**

2024

2025

2026

**2027**

**Laity**

Cindy Thiele (2020)

**Clergy**

Matthew “Matt” Stoll (2018)

**Ray Francis (2023)**

**Sarah Moore Hescheles (2023)**

**Ex Officio with vote:** Any Member of Discipleship Ministries residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference, District Superintendent (Rev. LuAnn Rourke).

**Small Membership Church, Division on the (4.5.3.2)**

Four people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Convener shall be elected among the members: \_\_\_\_\_

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		Glenn Litchfield (2020)
2025	Dorie Litchfield (2021)	
2026		Laurie Koivula (2022)
<b>2027</b>		<b>Melissa “Missy” Noll (2023)</b>

**Christian Unity and Interreligious Relationships, Division on (4.5.3.3)**

Six persons who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if Clergy) or Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference (if laity), one of whom shall serve as the District Coordinator for Christian Unity and Interreligious Relationships.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Convener: **Rev. Melissa Claxton**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Laurie Smith Del Pino (2018)	Melissa Claxton (2020)
2025		Scott Manning (2021)
2026		Rodney “Rod” Gasaway (2018)
2027		

**Ex Officio with vote:** Any United Methodists residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference who are members of the following: The Office of Christian Unity and Interreligious Relationships of the Council of Bishops, the governing Board of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., the World Methodist Council, The United Methodist delegation to the most recent World Council of Churches Assembly, the United Methodist delegation to the most recent plenary meeting of Churches Uniting in Christ.

**Hispanic/Latino Ministry, Committee on (4.6.3)**

The committee shall define its membership and organize in any way it sees fit, subject to the approval of the Conference Leadership Council.

The committee shall be amenable to the Conference Leadership Council.

Chairperson: **Rev. Rey Mondragon**

Secretary: **Rev. Ellen Zienert**

Members:

<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
Victoria “Tori” Booker (2018)	<b>Ricardo Angarita-Oviedo (2022)</b>	Rey Mondragon (2018)
Jorge Costales (2018)	Laura Feliciano (2018)	<b>Miriam Peralta de Garcia (2023)</b>
Lea Tobar (2018)	Patricia Gandarilla-Becerra (2018)	Ellen Zienert (2018)
	<b>César E García Rodríguez (2023)</b>	

Co-Opted Members (*maximum of four; may be asked to fill the following positions such as but not limited to*): Training Coordinator, Grant Application Coordinator, Immigration Advisor.

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** District Superintendent (Rev. Dr. Margie Crawford), Chief Financial Officer (Angela “Angie” Anger), Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**).

### **Asian-American Ministry, Committee on (4.7.3)**

The committee shall define its membership and organize in any way it sees fit, subject to the approval of the Conference Leadership Council.

*Chairperson: **Rev. Anna Moon***  
*Secretary: Rev. Jennifer Jue*

*Vice Chairperson: **Rev. YooJin Kim***  
*Treasurer: Eugene Paik*

Members:

**Laity**

Eugene Paik

**Clergy**

**Sun Hwa Hopgood**

Jennifer Jue

YooJin Kim

**Andrew “Andy” Lee**

**Clergy**

Anna Moon

Nathan “Nhan” Nguyen

Jung Eun Yum

Korean Caucus Chairperson – Rev. Eungyong Kim

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** District Superintendent designated by Cabinet (**Rev. Dr. Darryl Totty**), Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**).

### **Native American Ministry, Committee on (4.8.3)**

“Insofar as possible, the majority of the committee’s members should be Native Americans.

Taking into account the mandate of the purpose of this committee, the committee shall define its membership and organize in any way it sees fit, subject to the approval of the Conference Leadership Council.”

The committee shall be amenable to the Conference Leadership Council.

The preliminary proposal that follows will need to be confirmed/ revised by the Conference Leadership Council and the Committee on Native American Ministries/Indian Workers Conference.

The membership of the Committee on Native American Ministry (CONAM) shall include two persons elected by each Native American United Methodist congregation or ministry; the pastor may be a delegate or alternate, as determined by the church and at least four members at large selected by CONAM.

Bradley Indian Mission UMC

Chippewa Indian UMC

Greensky Hill Indian Mission UMC

Kewadin Indian Mission UMC

Northport Indian Mission UMC

Oscoda UMC

PaWaTing MaGedwin Kikaajik (Native American Elders Program)

Salem Indian Mission UMC

Zeba Indian Mission UMC

**Executive Committee:** Chairperson (Tamela “Tammy” Okuly-Shananaquet), Vice-Chairperson (Wava Hofmann), Secretary (Valerie Maidens), Treasurer (Valerie Maidens), Cabinet Member Representative (Rev. Jodie Flessner, District Superintendent).

Members-At-Large – Laity: Amy Alberts, Rose Bledsoe, Micki Phelps, Rich Guyon, Clara Lawrence

**Ex Officio Voice, but no vote (because of category):** Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), Cabinet Member Representative (Rev. Jodie Flessner), Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**).

### **African American Ministry, Committee on (4.9.3)**

The committee shall define its membership in any way it sees fit, subject to the approval of the Conference Leadership Council.

Co-Chairs: Rev. Janet “Jan” Brown and Simmie Proctor

Recording Secretary: Rev. Janet “Jan” Brown

Communications Coordinator(s): **Contreda Navarro-Jewell and Shirley Beasley**

Spiritual Formation Coordinator: Sharon Appling

Spiritual Care Coordinator: Pastor Anthony Ballah

Treasurer: Cecelia Tolliver

Historian/BMCR Rep: Rev. Hilda Harris

## African American Ministry, Committee on (4.9.3) - Continued

Members:

### Laity

Sharon Appling  
Minnie Armstrong  
Dwanda Ashford  
Ethel Gill  
Gregory Keeler  
Loretta Lee  
Simmie Proctor  
Cecelia Tolliver

### Clergy

Anthony Ballah  
Donald Beasley  
Sandra Bibilomo  
Janet “Jan” Brown  
Jonathan Combs (UM Black Clergy of MI, Vice-Chair)  
Willie “Will” Council  
Hilda Harris  
Audrey Mangum  
B. Kevin Smalls  
Tara Sutton (UM Black Clergy of MI, Chair)

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** District Superintendent (Rev. Dr. Darryl Totty)

## ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES

### Finance and Administration, Council on (5.1.3)

Six Clergy Members of the Annual Conference.

Seven Lay People who are Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

At least one of the thirteen members shall be appointed to (in the case of a Clergy Person) or a member of (in the case of a Lay Person) a church with fewer than two hundred members.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Members shall serve four-year terms (starting at the close of the Annual Conference Session following General Conference), renewable once, with quadrennially staggered classes.

The Council shall elect from among its members the following:

*President:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Vice President:* Andrew “Andy” Wayne

*Secretary:* Susan MacGregor

### Laity

#### 2020 Quadrennium

Jim Bosserd (2018)  
Patrick Tiedt (2018)  
Andrew “Andy” Wayne (2018)

#### 2024 Quadrennium

Cameron “Cam” DeLong (2018)  
**Michelle Hartmann (2023)**  
Susan MacGregor (2018)  
Clayton Osburn (2018)

### Clergy

Kristen Coristine (2020)  
Donald “Don” Gotham (2019)  
**Leslee Fritz (2021)**

Louis “Lou” Grettenberger (2020)  
Geraldine “Geri” Hamlen (2018)  
**Anthony Ballah (2023)**

**Ex Officio with voice and vote:** Any Member of the General Council on Finance and Administration who resides within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Chief Financial Officer (Angela “Angie” Anger), Resident Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), or Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**), District Superintendent (Rev. LuAnn Rourke), Director of Benefits and Human Resources (TBD), any other Conference Directors as the Conference Leadership Council shall designate, any Director level benefits officer as determined by the Board of Pension and Health Benefits, Executive Director of the United Methodist Foundation of Michigan (Rev. Dr. David Bell), Chair of the Board of Trustees or their designee (**Rev. Carolin Spragg**).

### **Pension and Health Benefits, Board of (5.2.3)**

Six Clergy Members of the Annual Conference.

Six Lay Persons who shall be Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Members shall serve one non-renewable eight-year term, in annually staggered classes.

The Board shall elect from among its members the following:

*Chairperson: Rev. Steven "Steve" Buck*

*Vice Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Treasurer: CFO, Angela "Angie" Anger*

*Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_*

#### **Class**

#### **Laity**

2024

2025

2026

Al Minert (2018)

Nancy Wyllis (2020)

2027

2028

2029

2030

**2031**

Regina Allie (2022)

**James LeBaron (2023)**

#### **Clergy**

Gary Glanville (2018)

Cornelius "Neil" Davis (2018)

Steven "Steve" Buck (2018)

**Carol Johns (2018)**

Deborah "Debbie" Thomas (2020)

Amy Mayo-Moyle (2021)

***Ex Officio with vote:*** Any Board Member of Wespeth Benefits and Investments residing within the bounds of the Annual Conference (Rev. Joel Fitzgerald), a District Superintendent (Rev. John Kasper) designated by the Cabinet.

***Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:*** Chief Financial Officer (Angela "Angie" Anger), Director of Benefits and Human Resources (TBD), any other Conference Directors as the Conference Leadership Council shall designate, any Director level benefits officer as determined by the Board.

### **Administrative Review Committee (5.3.3)**

Three Full Clergy Members of the Annual Conference.

Two additional Full Clergy Members of the Annual Conference who shall serve as alternate committee members.

None of the foregoing shall be a District Superintendent (or a relative thereof) or a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry (or relative thereof).

Members shall be nominated by the Bishop.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once.

#### **Class**

2020

#### **Full Clergy Members**

Gerald Hagans (2018)

**Elizabeth Hill (2023)**

George Lewis (2019)

#### **Alternate Full Clergy Members**

2020

Ellen Brubaker (2018)

**Joel Walther (2023)**

### **Trustees, Board of (5.4.3)**

Six Clergy Members of the Annual Conference.

Six Lay Persons who are Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

All Board Members must be at least eighteen years of age.

All Board Members must fulfill any other criteria for serving on the Board of Directors of a corporation that the laws of the State of Michigan may require.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Except as otherwise required by law, members shall be elected to four-year terms, renewable once, with annually staggered classes.

### **Trustees, Board of (5.4.3) - Continued**

The Board shall elect from among its members the following:

*Chairperson: **Rev. Carolin Spragg***

*Vice Chairperson: **Robert “Rob” Long***

*Secretary: **Susan Morgan***

Except as otherwise required by law, the Chief Financial Officer (Angela “Angie” Anger) shall serve as the Board Treasurer.

Consultant: Michael Belt

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	David Apol (2018) Deborah “Deb” Federau (2020)	George Lewis (2018) Clifford Radke (2018)
2025	Susan Morgan (2021)	Carolin Spragg (2018)
2026	Robert “Rob” Long (2018) Matt DeLong (2022)	Penny Parkin (2022)
<b>2027</b>		<b>Scott Manning (2023)</b>

***Ex Officio with vote:*** District Superintendent (**Rev. Dwayne Bagley**).

***Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:*** Chief Financial Officer (Angela “Angie” Anger), Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**), President of the Council on Finance and Administration (TBD) or their designee.

### **Investigation, Committee on (5.5.3)**

Four Ordained Clergy Members of the Annual Conference.

Three Lay People who are Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Three Ordained Clergy Members of the Annual Conference shall serve as alternate members.

Six Lay People – three of whom, if possible, shall be Diaconal Ministers – who are Professing Members of a local church within the Annual Conference shall serve as alternate members.

Members shall be nominated by the Resident Bishop.

Members shall serve a one-quadrennium term.

Members of the following entities and their immediate family members shall be ineligible for members of the committee:  
Cabinet and Board of Ordained Ministry.

The Committee shall elect from among its members the following:

*Chairperson: **Richard “Rick” Blunt***

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2020	Minnie Armstrong (2019) Murray Davis (2019) Wynne Hurlbut (2018)	Richard “Rick” Blunt (2018), Chair G. Patrick England (2019) Philip Tousley (2019) Brian West (2019)

#### **Alternate Members:**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2020	Louella Burke (2018) Fred Gray (2019) Laurie Kaufman delaGarza (2019) Linda Polter (2019) Paula Hines (2019) Craig Schroeder (2018)	Glenn Litchfield (2018) Julie Liske (2018) _____

### **Rules, Committee on (5.6.3)**

Eight Voting Members who shall be either Clergy Members of the Annual Conference or Lay People who are Members of a local church within the Annual Conference.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable twice, in annual staggered classes.

### **Rules, Committee on (5.6.3) - Continued**

The Committee shall elect from among its members the following:

*Chairperson: Todd Price*

*Vice Chairperson: Tonya Murphy*

*Secretary: James "Jim" Searls*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024	Todd Price (2018)	
2025	Sue Buxton (2021)	
	C. David Lundquist (2018)	
	Herbert "Herb" Vanderbilt (2018)	
2026	James "Jim" Searls (2018)	
<b>2027</b>	<b>Tonya Murphy (2019)</b>	<b>Jenaba Waggy (2023)</b>
	<b>Keith Radek (2019)</b>	

**Ex Officio with vote:** Legislative Coordinator selected by the Commission on the Annual Conference (Diane Brown), Annual Conference Facilitator (Jennifer "Jen" Peters) a District Superintendent (Rev. Dr. Darryl Totty) designated by the Cabinet, Annual Conference Secretary (Rev. Joy Barrett), Conference Parliamentarian (if one is appointed by the Bishop).

**Ex Officio, but no vote:** Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer "Jennie" Browne**).

### **Episcopal Residence Committee (5.7.3)**

Chairperson of the Committee on Episcopacy (or representative): John Wharton

President of Council on Finance and Administration (or representative): \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson of Board of Trustees (or representative): Rev. Carolin Spragg

Others may be co-opted, with voice, but without vote, as needed.

### **Equitable Compensation, Commission on (5.8.3)**

Four Clergy Members of the Annual Conference, at least one of whom shall be appointed to a church with fewer than 200 members.

Four Lay Persons who shall be Professing Members of a church within the Annual Conference, at least one of whom shall be a member of a church with fewer than 200 members.

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

The Commission shall elect from among its members the following:

*Chairperson: Mona Joslyn*

*Vice Chairperson: Rev. Michael "Mike" Conklin*

*Secretary: Richard Gorham*

The Chief Financial Officer (Angela "Angie" Anger) shall serve as the Treasurer of the Commission.

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2024		
2025	John Sayer (2021)	Michael "Mike" Conklin (2021)
2026	Richard Gorham (2022)	Michael Kelley (2022)
<b>2027</b>		<b>Mona Joslyn (2021)</b>
		<b>Beatrice Alghali (2023)</b>

**Ex Officio with vote:** A District Superintendent (Rev. Dwayne Bagley) designated by the Cabinet, a Member of the Council on Finance and Administration (Andy Wayne).

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Chief Financial Officer (Angela "Angie" Anger).

### **Human Resources, Committee on (5.9.3)**

Eight people who shall be members of the Annual Conference (if Clergy) or Professing Members of a local Church within the Annual Conference (if Laity).

Members shall serve four-year terms, renewable once, in annually staggered classes.

Members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Chairperson chosen by the Committee on Nominations from among the Members: Rev. Ellen Zienert

Vice-Chairperson chosen by the Committee on Human Resources from among its members: Deborah "Deb" Fennell



### Human Resources, Committee on (5.9.3) - Continued

Secretary chosen by the Committee on Human Resources from among its membership: \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Class</u>	<u>Laity</u>	<u>Clergy</u>
2024	Alice Tucker (2018)	
2025	<b>Anne Soles (2020)</b>	
2026	Deborah “Deb” Fennell (2018)	Ellen Zienert (2018)
	<b>Evelyn Summerfield (2023)</b>	
<b>2027</b>	<b>Lisa Martin (2023)</b>	<b>John Boley (2023)</b>

**Ex Officio with vote:** Bishop (Bishop David A. Bard), or Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Clergy Services (Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne), a District Superintendent (Rev. Jodie Flessner) designated by the Cabinet.

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Clergy Assistant to the Bishop/Director of Connectional Ministries (**Rev. Dr. Jennifer “Jennie” Browne**), Chief Financial Officer (Angela “Angie” Anger), Director of Benefits and Human Resources (TBD), Chair of the Personnel Committee of the Council on Finance and Administration (TBD).

### Officers of The Annual Conference

Secretary (7.1): Rev. Joy Barrett (2017)

Four-year term, two terms maximum. Elected at first Annual Conference Session following General Conference.

Statistician (7.2): Pamela Stewart (07/15/2019)

Four-year term, two terms maximum. Elected at Annual Conference Session immediately preceding General Conference.

Facilitator (7.3): Jennifer “Jen” Peters (2020)

Four-year term, two terms maximum. Layperson. (Jennifer “Jen” Peters)

Parliamentarian (7.4): None – May be appointed by the Bishop at his/her discretion.

Chancellor (7.5): Andrew Vorbrich (2017)

Nominated by the Bishop, elected quadrennially.

Chief Financial Officer (7.6): Angela “Angie” Anger (01.17.2022)

Elected at first Annual Conference Session following each General Conference.

Lay Leader (7.7): Annette Erbes (2020)

Four-year term, one term. Nominated by the Bishop in consultation with the Board of Laity.

**Please Note: The Annual Conference re-affirms the election of the General and Jurisdictional Delegation and Alternates from the 2019 Annual Conference.**

**In Order of Election:**

**2020 Elected General Conference Delegation**

Clergy: Paul Perez, Joy Barrett, Megan Walther, Charles Boayue, Jr.

Laity: Laura Witkowski (Chairperson), Diane Brown, Jennifer “Jen” Peters, Nichea VerVeer Guy

**2020 Elected North Central Jurisdictional Conference Delegation**

Clergy: Joel Fitzgerald, Christina Wright, Bradley “Brad” Bartelmay, Sherri Swanson

Laity: Ruby Anderson, Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Ruth Sutton, Gordon Grigg III

**2020 Elected NCJ Alternates**

Clergy: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Laity: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**2016 General Church Boards and Agencies:**

The Connectional Table: Clergy-Jerome “Jerry” DeVine

General Board of Church and Society: Clergy-Paul Perez

General Board of Pensions and Health Benefits: Clergy-Donald “Don” Emmert

**2022 North Central Jurisdictional Committees:**

Court of Appeals: Clergy Alternate: Joy Barrett, Laity Alternate: Lisa Batten

Committee on Investigation: Clergy-Melanie Carey, Alternate Clergy-Bill Dobbs

Committee on Episcopacy: **Clergy-Paul Perez**, Laity-Nichea VerVeer Guy.

NCJ Mission Council: Laity-Laura Witkowski, At-Large: Laity-Gordon Grigg

NCJ Secretary: Laity-Diane Brown

NCJ Coordinator of Communications: Laity-Jim Searls

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**If you are interested in serving where vacancies exist, please go to the Michigan Conference Website at:**

**<https://michiganumc.org/resources/conference-administration/nominations/>**

***Thank you!***

**AFFILIATE ENTITIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**Elected UMC Board Members as Reported to the Committee on Nominations**

**Affiliated via the Board of Global Ministries (10.1)**

**Bronson Health Group (11.1.1) – Trustees of**

*(UMC Members are no longer a requirement, per change in their 2014 By-Laws)*

**Clark Retirement Community (11.1.2) – Trustees of**

*(Report Only, election is by the Trustees of Clark Retirement Community, per change in their By-Laws.)*

**Only UMC Members are Listed.**

**OFFICERS:** Chair: Robert “Bob” Gillette (2013)

**TRUSTEES:**

*[Tenure: By-Law terms are limited to 9 years.]*

Suzanne Benet (2015)

Jayne Courts (2016)

**Ex Officio:** Rev. Dr. Margie Crawford

**Methodist Children’s Home Society (11.1.3) – Directors**

*[Tenure: By-Law terms are limited to 10 years.]*

**Laity**

Marianne Conner (2016)

Eric Pelton (2017)

Doug Ross (2007)

Carrie Russell (2014)

Juli Stephens (2018)

Christine Weemhoff (2000)

Only UMC Members Listed

**Clergy**

William “Bill” Amundsen (2008)

**Cabinet Assignment:** A District Superintendent (Rev. Dr. Darryl Totty).

**United Methodist Community House (11.1.4)**

Kurt Kimball (2020)

Only UMC Members Listed

**Ex Officio:** Julia Paradine-Rice (UMW), Linda Burton-Collier (UMW).

**United Methodist Retirement Communities, Inc. (11.1.5) – Board of Trustees**

**Laity**

Marianne Conner (2019)

Steve Fetyko (2019)

Mike Fritz (2019)

Russ Ives (2009)

Dick Lundy (1983)

**Clergy**

Matthew “Matt” Hook (2007)

**Cabinet Assignment:** A District Superintendent (Rev. LuAnn Rourke).

## **Affiliated Via the Board of Young People's Ministries (10.2)**

### **Adrian College (11.2.1) – Trustees of**

*[Tenure: By-Law terms are limited to 9 years.]*

#### **Laity**

#### **Clergy**

Elbert P. Dulworth (2019)  
Janet Gaston Petty (2019)  
Russell "Russ" McReynolds (2006) \*

**Area Bishop:** Bishop David A. Bard

\* Term extended by request of the Trustees of Adrian College.

[ ] Indicate names submitted for election of two by College in coordination with Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry.

### **Albion College (11.2.2) – Trustees of**

*[Tenure: By-Law terms are limited to 12 years.]*

#### **Laity**

#### **Clergy**

Faith Fowler (2013)

**Area Bishop:** Bishop David A. Bard

[ ] Indicate names submitted for election of two by College in coordination with Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry.

### **Michigan Area United Methodist Camping (11.2.4)**

Elected by the Annual Conference, per Board By-Laws (no less than 60%):

Chairperson: Stuart Smith

Executive Director: Rev. David Berkey

Vice Chairperson: Rachael Dunlap

Secretary: Michele Hills

Treasurer: Bob Wyatt

Elected by the Board, per Board By-Laws:

**Laity**  
2024 Rachel Dunlap (2020)

**Clergy**  
Anita Hahn (2019)  
Joel Walther (2019)

2025  
2026 Stuart Smith (2018)  
Bob Wyatt (2018)

2027 **Charles Boayue, III (2023)**  
Michele Hills (2018)

**Designated by the Full Cabinet (voice, but no vote):** District Superintendent (Rev. Dwayne Bagley).

**Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:** Executive Director of Camping: Rev. David Berkey.

### **Lake Louise Christian Community (11.2.5) – Board of Trustees**

*Tenure: By-Law terms are limited to 9 years. Elect their own chair.*

#### **Laity**

Elizabeth "Liz" Carr (2014)  
Daphne Mitchell (2013)

#### **Clergy**

Erin Fitzgerald (2021)  
Alicia Williams (2020)

**Affiliated via the Commission on Archives and History (11.3)****Michigan Area UMC Historical Society, Inc. (11.3)***Elected by Commission on Archives and History*

Chairperson: Diana Spitnale Miller

**Laity**

Ken Gackler (2008)

Sharon Scott (2007)

Dan Yakes (2008)

**Clergy**

Melanie Young (2012)

**Members At-Large:** William McNitt, Della Wilder**Ex Officio with voice and vote:** The Chairperson of the Commission on Archives and History (**Melanie Young**), The Archivists of the Conference Archives – Rebecca McNitt (Adrian) and Elizabeth Palmer (Albion), Members of the General Commission on Archives and History residing in the Annual Conference: Diana Spitnale Miller, Linda Schramm; Member of the Historical Society of the UMC Board: Linda Schramm.**Affiliated via the Council on Finance and Administration (11.4)****Michigan Area Loan Funds (11.4.1)***Elected by the UM Foundation of Michigan*

Chairperson: Mary McInnes

**Laity**

Ransom Leppink (2019)

Steve Peters (2021)

**Clergy**

Bradley “Brad” Bartelmay (2019)

Joel Fitzgerald (2021)

Susan Hitts (2022)

Mary McInnes (2021)

Edward “Ed” Ross (2019)

**Ex Officio:** Rev. Dr. David S. Bell, President & Resident Agent.**United Methodist Foundation of Michigan (11.4.2)***12 Directors elected by the UM Foundation of Michigan*

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Laity</u></b>	<b><u>Clergy</u></b>
2022	Ransom Leppink (2012)	Bradley “Brad” Bartelmay (2015) Gary Glanville (2014) Mary McInnes (2019)
2023	Steve Peters (2020)	Susan Hitts (2020) Kayla Roosa (2021) Edward “Ed” Ross (2015)
2024	Pros Tumonong (2020) TBD	Joel Fitzgerald (2018) TBD

**Ex Officio:** Rev. Dr. David S. Bell, President and Executive Director; Bishop David A. Bard, Resident Bishop; Angela “Angie” Anger, Chief Financial Officer.

## Disaster Response Team

Team Chairperson: Rev. Robert Miller

Disaster Response and Recovery Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Emotional and Spiritual Care Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Communications Director: Mark Doyal

Conference Finance Officer: Angela “Angie” Anger

Conference VIM Coordinator: Jody Pratt

### District Disaster Response Coordinators

Central Bay: \_\_\_\_\_

East Winds: Rev. Eric Miller

Greater Detroit: Cheryl Tipton

Greater Southwest: Rev. David “Dave” Morton

Heritage: Robert “Bob” Ankrapp

Northern Skies – East: Randy Hildebrant

Northern Skies – West: Rev. Robert “Bob” Freysinger

Western Waters: \_\_\_\_\_

*Ex Officio with voice, but no vote:* District Superintendent (Rev. John Kasper)

### After the Storm – Board of Directors

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