

## 2026 CONFERENCE OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### 22 Members

#### Officers & Executive Committee

<b>Moderator, Officer</b> (2025 & 2026)	Rev. Vonshelle Beneby Hope United Church of Christ, Rockledge	2-year term, non-renewable
<b>Vice Moderator, Officer</b> (2025 & 2026)	Rev. John Barnette Fort Myers United Church of Christ	2-year term, non-renewable
<b>Treasurer, Officer</b> Replace (2026 & 2027)	<b>VACANT</b>	2 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable
<b>Registrar, Officer</b> (2022 replacement) (2023 & 2024) (2025 & 2026)	Ms. Dyanne Edds Lakewood United Church of Christ	2 consecutive 2-year terms, non-renewable
<b>Chair, Legacy Funds</b> (2024 replacement) (2025 & 2026)	Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross JupiterFirst Church	2 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable
<b>Chair, Committee on Ministry</b> (2021 replacement) (2022, 2023 & 2024) (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Rev. Megan Smith Coral Gables Congregational Church	2 consecutive 3-year terms, non-renewable
<b>Chair, Budget &amp; Finance</b> (2024 replacement) (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Rev. Elizabeth “Lisa” LeSueur Coral Gables Congregational Church	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Board Member at Large</b> Chair, FL UCC Women (2026 & 2027)	Rachel Parker McClendon United Church in Tallahassee	2-year term, non-renewable
<b>Board Member at Large</b> (2026 & 2027)	<b>VACANT</b>	2-year term, non-renewable

*Conference Minister participates with voice without vote*

#### Other Members of the Board of Directors

#### 2 consecutive 3-year terms

<b>Chair, Personnel</b> (2024 replacement) (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Ms. Candy Nordland Naples United Church of Christ	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Chair, Nominating</b> (2025 replacement) (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Rev. Geoff Gross Cocoa Beach Community Church	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable

**Under 250 - 3 consecutive 2-year terms (5 Members)*****VACANCIES 2***

(2024 replacement) (2025 & 2026)	Ms. Margaret “Peggy” Hayes Hope United Church of Christ, Rockledge	3 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable
(2025 & 2026)	Rev. Shawn Proctor United Church of Christ of New Smyrna Beach	3 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable
(2025 & 2026) Renewable	Ms. Gwen Templeton First Congregational Church, Ocala	3 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable

**Over 251 - 3 consecutive 2-year terms (5 Members)*****VACANCIES 3***

(2024 replacement) (2025 & 2026)	Ms. Kerry Weisner First Congregational Church, Winter Park	3 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable
(2021 replacement) (2023 & 2024) (2025 & 2026)	Rev. Dr. Sheila Harvey Union Congregational Church, West Palm Beach	3 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable

**Youth - 3 consecutive 2-year terms (1 Member)**

(2024 & 2025) (2025 & 2026)	Declan Williams Windermere Union Church	3 consecutive 2-year terms, renewable
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**Participates at Moderator’s Request**

<b><i>Past Moderator</i></b> (2025 & 2026)	Ms. Lynn Jones First Congregational UCC, Sarasota
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## 2026 COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

### 19 Members

**All are eligible to serve two consecutive 3-year terms**

<b>Chair</b> (2021 replacement) (2022, 2023 & 2024)	Rev. Megan Smith Coral Gables Congregational UCC (2025, 2026 & 2027)	2 consecutive 3-year terms, non-renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2024 replacement) (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Rev. Rob Hunter Faith Congregational Church, Port St. Lucie	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2023, 2024, & 2025) (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Rev. Harvey Lockhart First Church of North Miami Congregational	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2025, 2026, & 2027)	Rev. Angela Wells Bean Pass A Grille Beach Community, UCC	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Layperson</b> (2023, 2024 & 2025) (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Ms. Sammie Hartwell United Church of Christ of New Smyrna Beach	2 consecutive 3-year terms, non-renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2024 replacement; 2025 & 2026)	Rev. David Westcott First Congregational Church, Orange City	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Layperson</b> (2023, 2024 & 2025) (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Ms. Jennett Bake New Vision Congregational UCC, Yulee	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2018 replacement) (2018 – 2021) by-law change (2022, 2023 & 2024) (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Rev. Gregorio Marin Sunset Congregational United Church of Christ	2 consecutive 3-year terms, non-renewable
<b>Layperson</b> (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Ms. Joycelyn Patrick Church of the Palms, Delray Beach	2 consecutive 3-year terms, non-renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2024 replacement, 2025 & 2026)	Rev. Hollie Schmidt Plymouth Congregational Church, Miami	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Layperson</b> (2024, 2025 & 2026)	Ms. Joyce “Joy” Young Faith Congregational Church, Port Saint Lucie	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
<b>Clergy</b> (2024 replacement, 2025 & 2026)	Rev. Joe DiDonato United Church of Christ at The Villages	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable

<b>Layperson</b> (2023, 2024 & 2025) (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Dyanne Edds Lakewood UCC, St. Petersburg	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
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<b>Layperson</b> (2024 replacement, 2025 & 2026).	Ms. Alicia Isaac Church of the Isles, Indian Rocks Beach	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
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<b>Layperson</b> (2024, 2025 & 2026)	Ms. Daphne Thomas First United Church of Tampa	2 consecutive 3-year terms, renewable
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**Clergy** **VACANCIES - 2**

**Layperson** **VACANCY - 1**

## 2026 BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE 7 Members

### **2 consecutive 3-year terms**

<b>Chair</b> (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Rev. Elizabeth “Lisa” LeSueur Coral Gables Congregational Church	2 consecutive 3-year terms, Renewable
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### **3 consecutive 2-year terms**

(2025 & 2026)	Mr. Charlton Copeland First Church of North Miami	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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(2022 & 2023) (2024 & 2025) (2026 & 2027)	Ms. Melissa Brown Congregational United Church of Christ, Punta Gorda	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Non-renewable
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(2025 & 2026)	Mr. Joe Akin Fort Lauderdale United Church of Christ	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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(2025 & 2026)	Rev. Andy Bachman United Church of Gainesville	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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(2023 & 2024) (2025 & 2026)	Dr. Brian Hodges Cocoa Beach Community Church	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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**1 VACANCY**

**Moderator, Treasurer, Chair of Legacy Funds and Conference Minister serve ex officio, with voice without vote.**

## 2026 LEGACY FUNDS COMMITTEE

### 7 Members

#### 2 consecutive 3-year terms

<b>Chair</b> (2025, 2026 & 2027)	Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross JupiterFIRST Church	2 consecutive 3-year terms, Renewable
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#### 3 consecutive 2-year terms

<b>Member</b> (2025 & 2026)	Ms. Melanie Shepherd Union Congregational Church, West Palm Beach	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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<b>Member</b> (2024 & 2025) (2026 & 2027)	Mrs. Mickey Wich First Congregational Church, Port St. Lucie	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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<b>Member</b> (2024 & 2025) (2026 & 2027)	Ms. Lynne Woodman First Congregational United Church of Christ, Sarasota	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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<b>Member</b> (2024 & 2025) (2026 & 2027)	Rev. Ngan Ling Lung First Congregational Church, Winter Park	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
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#### **VACANCIES – 2**

***Treasurer, Chair of Budget and Finance, Moderator and Conference Minister serve ex officio with voice without vote***

## 2026 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

### 7 Members

#### 2 consecutive 3-year terms

Chair, Nominating (2025 replacement) (2026, 2027 & 2028)	Rev. Geoffrey Gross Cocoa Beach Community Church	2 consecutive 3-year terms, Renewable
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#### 3 consecutive 2-year terms

(2025 & 2026) Renewable	Ms. Kerry Weisner First Congregational Church, Winter Park	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
(2023 & 2024) (2025 & 2026)	Rev. Marcelino Rivera Windermere Union Church	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable
(2025 & 2026)	Rev. Victoria Snow Community Congregational, New Port Richey	3 consecutive 2-year terms, Renewable

**VACANCIES - 3**

## 2026 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

### 7 Members

#### 2 consecutive 3-year terms

<b>Chair</b> (2024, 2025 & 2026)	Ms. Candy Nordland Naples United Church of Christ	2 consecutive 3-year terms, Renewable
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#### 2 consecutive 3-year terms>

(2025, 2026 & 2027)	Ms. Margaret “Peggy” Hayes Hope United Church of Christ, Rockledge	2 consecutive 3-year terms, Renewable
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**VACANCIES - 4**