



Siblings, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Phil 4: 13-14 NRSV Updated

**FLORIDA CONFERENCE
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Annual Meeting 2026

**SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 7
VIA ZOOM | 9AM**

You Are Invited to the
ANNUAL MEETING
of the Florida Conference of the United Church of Christ
on Saturday, February 7 | 9am-1pm | via zoom

THE VOTING MEMBERSHIP of the Conference shall consist of:

1. Lay delegates in good standing selected by and representing the Local Churches
2. Authorized Ministers
3. Members of the Board of Directors

Each voting member shall be entitled to one vote on all matters, except for matters where a delegate must be of legal age under Florida law. Cumulative, absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted.

The manner of selection of lay delegates shall be determined by each Local Church in accordance with their Bylaws and the following table:

Church Membership	Lay Delegates	Youth Delegates (ages 13 -25)
0-500	2	1
501-800	3	1
801-1100	4	1
1101-1400	5	1
1401-1700	6	1
1701-2000+	7	1

ACTION ITEMS - business sessions requiring a vote:

1. Vote on the 2026 Conference Financial Resourcing Plan (Budget)
2. Vote on the slate of Nominees for Conference Board and standing committees
3. Vote on changes / updates to the Conference Bylaws
4. Other items which may properly come before the gathering

DON'T FORGET TO READ THE DOCUMENTS pertaining to the Conference which will be posted on our website beginning on January 6, here www.uccfla.org/annual-meeting/

INFORMATIONAL GATHERING
On Thursday, February 5 | 6-7:30 pm | via zoom

This will be a time for presenting information about our action items – the 2026 financial resourcing plan (budget), the amendments to the Conference Bylaws and the 2026 Nominating slate. The topics will be presented with time for questions and answers. Delegates and those interested are invited.

Please note: The Zoom link to the Informational Gathering will be sent the day prior to the event. The zoom link for the Annual Meeting will be sent to all registrants the day prior to the event.

FLORIDA CONFERENCE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST GUIDELINES FOR WRITING AND PRESENTING RESOLUTIONS

Format: Resolutions shall include the following information in the following format sections.

- 1) A brief Title with information providing the source of the Resolution, the date of submission and any other information pertinent to the Resolution. The title must accurately reflect the intent of the proposed motion. The names of congregation(s) presenting the Resolution shall be included.
- 2) A brief Summary that accurately reflects the content of the Resolution.
- 3) Biblical, Theological and Historical Grounding: describe how this action reflects the historic roots of the United Church of Christ and connect it to current identity and theology, noting the current engagement of various settings of the Church.
- 4) Mutual Accountability: describe desired outcomes and how those most affected by the action have been consulted. Include a list of well-defined action steps, a list of stakeholders, and an evaluation plan for regular reporting.
- 5) Institutional Capacity: describe the leadership and staffing need at various settings of the Church to execute the provisions of the proposal. Include a plan for insuring adequate financial resources are available to implement the proposed action(s).
- 6) Probability of Influencing Social Change: summarize how the action is a broad-based issue of concern in the public arena and how the United Church of Christ is positioned to influence the public debate and affect the possibility of social change, as it relates to the desired outcome of the proposed action. This format provision should address the question: Is a Resolution the best way to achieve the desired outcome?
- 7) The text of the motion.
- 8) The statement, "The funding for the implementation of the Resolution will be made in accordance with the overall mandates of the Conference and the funds available. There is no financial guarantee of any kind other than the annual budget determined by Conference Delegates and managed by the Board of Directors."
- 9) The statement, The Conference Board of Directors, in consultation with FLAUCC Conference Ministry Staff, will determine the implementing strategy and timing.