# Welcome

# **Town Hall Meeting**

#### Agenda

- Welcome & Prayer
- Introducing our Council
- Purpose of this meeting (BOD p2553)
- Update: Where we are in the process
- Update: Costs to disaffiliate
- Denominations investigated
- Council Denomination Recommendation

#### **2023 Council** (1 of 2)

- Council Chair Scott Cruickshank
- Recording Secretary Dawn Cosner
- Lay Leader Charlene Clark
- Treasurer Marilyn Waldis
- Staff-Parish Chair Jan Paxton
- Finance Chair Jim Sullivan
- Trustee Chair Chuck Rednour
- Women of Faith Nancy Cran

#### **2023 Council** (2 of 2)

- Youth Leader Cindy Rednour
- Community Connections Patti Dabrowski
- Children's Home Rep Pam Reeves
- Preschool Director Stephanie Herrera
- Preschool Board Chair Marilyn Waldis
- Pathfinder Worship Jimmy Driskell
- Traditional Worship Dee Douglas

#### **Purpose – new denomination** (1 of 3)

## ¶ 2553 Disaffiliation of a Local Church Over Issues Related to Human Sexuality Because of the current deep conflict within The

United Methodist Church around issues of human sexuality, a local church shall have a limited right, under the provisions of this paragraph, to disaffiliate from the denomination for reasons of conscience...

#### Purpose – new denomination (2 of 3)

On February 5<sup>th</sup> 71% of members present and voting decided to disaffiliate from the UMC over the issues of whether our clergy can be selfavowed practicing homosexuals and our church can be used for same-sex weddings.

It is not about excluding LGBTQ from the life and ministry of this church.

#### **Purpose – new denomination** (3 of 3)

- To update everyone on where we are in the process of disaffiliation.
- To review the denominations considered by our church council.
- To consider/approve the recommendation.

#### Where we are in the disaffiliation process (1 of 2)

February 5 – voted to disaffiliate **April 15 – FLUMC Trustee approval April 23 – FLUMC Conference approval** May – notify members/give options June 1 – disaffiliation complete

#### Where we are in the disaffiliation process (2 of 2)

Name Change: Roseland Church Cost to FLUMC: \$83,000 (was \$131,691) Insurance: \$49,832 (was \$35,946\*) \*reflects a 2023 25% increase

Apportionments: ???\* (was \$28,281) \*typically 10% of operating budget

- The Wesleyan Church
- The Church of the Nazarene
- The Free Methodist Church
- The Global Methodist Church

	UMC	GMC	Wesleyan	Free Methodist	Nazarene
Trinitarian	x	x	x	x	x
Divinity of Christ	X	X	x	x	x
Work of the Holy Spirit	X	x	x	x	x
Pluralistic: many spiritual paths	X				

	UMC	GMC	Wesleyan	Free Methodist	Nazarene
Trust Clause (denomination owns)	X		x	x	x
Bishops	X	x			
District Superintendents	X	X	x	X	x
Conference appointed pastors	X			x	X
Church called pastors		x	x	x	X

	UMC	GMC	Wesleyan	Free Methodist	Nazarene
Guaranteed clergy appointment	X				
Female clergy	X	x	x	x	x
Ordain LGBTQ	X				
Allow same-sex weddings	x				
Wespath clergy pension	X	X			

#### **Council Denomination Recommendation**

### **The Global Methodist Church**

- Consistency in doctrine and structure
- Reclaiming accountable discipleship
- Mission-driven

