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THE MISSION of the West Ohio Conference IS TO EQUIP LOCAL CHURCHES TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD… A world of JUSTICE, Love, and Peace filled with people GROWING in the likeness of JESUS CHRIST

May 20, 2019

ARE YOU CONNECTED WITH YOUR DISTRICT?

Visit our website!  Contact us!  Like us on Facebook!

May 20, 2019

2019 Annual Conference
Sunday, June 2 - Thursday, June 6, 2019
Hoover Auditorium at Lakeside Chautauqua

The basic agenda can be found on the web and there is a list of events on the 2019 Annual Conference webpage at https://www.westohioumc.org/ac/2019

DISTRICT OFFICE CLOSED

Lesley Moore, Office Administrator, will be out of the office May 23rd and May 24th.

Regular business hours will resume Tuesday, May 28, 2019

THANK YOU!
2020 WOC Revitalization/Capacity Building Grant Application

From the desk of Grace Gerber—Administrative Coordinator, Missional Church Development. “Just wanted to make sure you all were aware that the new grant application is now available online. All applications must have the signature of the pastor, and the DS, and the due date is July 1, 2019. Below is the link to the application.”


STAY TUNED

NEW Clergy Evaluation Form

Coming this Fall/2019

Due to the Clergy Evaluation Form being revised/updated at the conference level . . . everyone will get a reprieve until Fall. At that time, we will send everyone the new form to complete and send back to the District Office.

THANK YOU!
Such prayer is right, and approved by God our Saviour, whose will it is that all men should find salvation and come to know the truth. 1 Timothy 2:3-4, NEB

Lord our God, give us your Spirit, we pray, that we may learn to understand what we are and what tasks you have set for us. We thank you for all the light you give us. Grant that we and many others may come closer to knowledge of the truth and be at peace about all that belongs in your hands, our Father in heaven. Keep us now and forevermore in your almighty hand. May we know your goodness and the blessing it brings. For through your goodness we can endure even the hardest days and be victorious in the battle of life. Amen.

REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE NEEDED

AT

CLERGY SPOUSES REGISTRATION TABLE

We need help with annual conference registration at the clergy spouses registration table. We could use help Sunday afternoon/evening and Monday morning of annual conference. If anyone can help please contact Barry and Julie Burns or you can call the District Office at 419-523-9901.

THANK YOU!

Clergy Spouse Gathering at Lakeside

June 3, 2019

Join us on Monday, June 3rd immediately after the evening session at the Dockside Pavilion.

Come and join us for a bowl of ice cream and relax with other clergy families.

SEE YOU THERE!
Bishop Palmer Announces Bible Study

Bishop Palmer has invited us to come together as The West Ohio Conference in the study of Galatians: Gospel of Grace over the weeks of the Easter season. While we are not united in our thinking on all matters, we can all be united in our commitment to turn to the scripture for guidance. As we read, study, and discuss scripture together, we trust the Holy Spirit to move in our midst and to speak to us through the living word of God. We hope you will join churches across the annual conference in a conference-wide all-church series on Galatians. Small group discussion guides, worship resources, social media options, and communication templates will be available to you for this series by early April. As you make plans to participate, you are encouraged to read Galatians and begin preparing around these weekly themes:

- April 22nd-28th: Grace that Transforms - Chapter 1 with key verse Galatians 1:23
- April 29th-May 5th: Grace that Embraces - Chapter 2 with key verses Galatians 2:9-10
- May 6th-May 12th: Grace that Clothes Us - Chapter 3 with key verses Galatians 3:26-28
- May 13th-May 19th: Grace that Forms - Chapter 4 with key verse Galatians 4:19
- May 20th-26th: Grace that Bears Fruit - Chapter 5 with key verse Galatians 5:22
- May 27th-June 2nd: Grace that Sustains - Chapter 6 with key verse Galatians 6:9

Log onto the Conference website to watch a video message regarding this Bible Study from Bishop Palmer

2019 GRADUATES
NORTHWEST PLAINS
WISHES ALL THOSE GRADUTATING IN
2019
THE VERY BEST!

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9
Illegal Immigration Explored at Lifetree Café

Possible responses to illegal immigration will be discussed at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, May 22 from 6:30-7:30pm.

The program, titled “An Immigrant in the Sanctuary: When Faith and Politics Collide,” features a filmed interview with Rev. Mike Morran, whose church offered sanctuary to Arturo Hernandez Garcia, an undocumented immigrant. Garcia moved into the church basement knowing he faced immediate deportation should he leave the church building.

Garcia also appears on camera.

“Arturo has worked in the U.S. for over 15 years, and his wife and two daughters are here," Morran said of Garcia. “There are a lot of good reasons this man should be able to stay with his family.”

At this Lifetree episode, participants will have the opportunity to share their views concerning illegal immigration, immigration reform, and responding to undocumented immigrants.

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located at the Bachwell Center, 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, OH. Please enter on Court Street and park behind the Courthouse.

Lifetree Café is a place where people gather for conversation about life and faith in a casual, comfortable setting. Questions about Lifetree may be directed to First United Methodist Church at 419/238-0631 or firstchurch@wcoil.com

Lifetree Café has made the decision to take the summer off. In the months of June, July and August, Wednesday evenings will be spent enjoying some time away. We appreciate every one of your visits and insights and hope to see you when we resume in the Fall. Have a wonderful summer!

Topic for May 29 – “An Encounter with God. A prime minister’s supernatural experience.”
Spread the word. It is that time of year again to start collecting and assembling kits for the Festival of Sharing. Below you will find the dates & locations of when the kits can be dropped off at your depots. Also, reference the below website. This has all the videos and information for this years FOS.  www.fosohio.org

Dates for the kits to be dropped off to the locations below will be: August 26 through September 9, 2019

Drop off sites: Churches/Locations/Addresses/Times:

- **Defiance St. Paul’s UMC**, 400 Wayne Ave., Defiance, 419.789.3751, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (Please call ahead)
- **Findlay St. Andrews UMC**, 120 W. Sandusky, Findlay, 419.422.4845, Mon.-Fri., 9 am-2 pm (Please call ahead)
- **Spencerville Trinity**, 110 N. Main St., Spencerville, 419.647.4451, Mon-Wed., 9:00 am - Noon (Please call ahead)
- **NWP District Office**, 910 E. Third St., Ottawa, 800.589.7828, Mon.-Friday., 8 am-11:45 & 1 pm to 3:30 pm (Please call ahead)
- **Van Wert First UMC**, 118 W. Central Ave., Van Wert, 419.238.0631, Mon-Thurs., 8:30 am - 4:30 pm & Friday 8:30-Noon (Please call ahead)
- **Wapakoneta First UMC**, 504 Gilwood Rd., Wapakoneta, 419.738.8168, Mon-Wed., 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Please call ahead)

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**Emergency Cleanup Bucket**

Flooding devastates too many communities each year. You’re helping a family recover quickly and safely with a bucket that is full of key supplies like gloves, dust masks and trash bags. These supplies mean families can get to work cleaning up and moving forward.

Supplies needed:
- One five-gallon bucket with reusable lid (Bucket has been used, clean but do not use if it has held the contents of any kind)
- Four scoring pads
- Seven sponges, including one large
- One scrub brush
- Eighteen resealable, lightweight dry cleaning towels (e.g. flour/paper towels)
- One (11 oz. or two 25 oz. bottles) of liquid laundry detergent
- One 32 oz. bottle of laundry detergent
- One 15 fl oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water (no spray bottles)
- One package of 48 30 dust masks
- Two pairs of heavy-duty, waterproof, seamless gloves (data free, non-slip)
- One pair of work gloves (cotton with leather palms or all leather)
- 2-3 hard-sided or canvas-type 30-45 gallon trash bags on roll and removed from container
- One 64 oz refill of non-aerosol spray

All cleaning items must be new and all fluid items must be capped and securely tightened. Place all items into the bucket, making sure they are packed securely to avoid damage during shipment. Snap the lid on tight and seal with packing tape.

Value: $75 Processing fee: $3 per kit

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**Hygiene Kits**

Our most needed kits! These little kits are jam-packed with supplies to help keep people clean and healthy. From toothbrushes to washcloths, you’re making sure that someone’s needs are going to be met in the wake of an emergency when even the most basic supplies can be hard to come by.

Supplies needed:
- One toothbrush measuring approximately 13’’ x 28’’ (no finger toothbrush, dish towel, dish brush, toothpaste)
- One toothpaste
- One extra-long tooth comb removed from the package (brand at discount store like wal-mart)
- One full-sized bar of soap in original package
- One bath towel in original packaging
- Ten standard-sized toothbrushes

Affordable wide-tooth combs can be found at discount suppliers such as sallybeauty.com. Search for “wide-tooth postal comb” to see an example of combs that meet the kit requirements.

All items need to fit inside a one-gallon Ziploc type bag. Remove the excess air from the bag and seal before boxing. Do not add any extra items or toothpaste. A tube of extended expiration date toothpaste will be added to each hygiene kit just prior to it journey.

Value: $15 Processing cost: $2 per kit

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**School Kits**

We all remember how great it felt to start a new school year with all the right supplies. Now, you’re giving that same feeling to students around the world who otherwise wouldn’t have the supplies they need. You’re making sure children have the best chance to succeed in school, even if they are recovering from a disaster or living in other tough circumstances.

Supplies needed:
- One pair of blunt scissors removed from the package (rounded tip only)
- Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose leaf or filler paper)
- One 30-centimeter, 12” ruler
- One hand-held pencil sharpener removed from the package
- One large eraser (no pencil cap erasers)
- Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers. Please remove pencils from the package.
- One box of 24 crayons
- One 12” x 14” x 14” finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag with handles (solid color or kid-friendly fabric, no logos, reusable shopping bags or backpacks)

All items must be packed inside of the bag. The website mytools4mankind.com has affordable bag options for bulk purchase.

Optional: Loose school kit items may be placed in a large Ziploc type bag to keep them together. Remove the air, seal the bag and place inside of the cotton/canvas bag.

Value: $15 Processing fee: $2 per kit
Earlier this spring, we invited the congregations of the Northwest Plains District to be a part of a special effort to help Grace Children’s Hospital in Haiti. This hospital that has served countless numbers of children and their families over the years has been devastated by the earthquakes and hurricanes and is in desperate need of help. Now that we are several months into this, we want to share an update of where we are. To date, we have received just over $30,000 to go to the hospital! We are so thankful for your generosity and faithfulness!

If every one of our congregations would challenge their members to give just $1 per week per member, we could rally to give not only a dramatic amount of financial help, but also hope that they are not alone. The money will be collected at the District Office and sent on to Haiti. In a time where we see so much brokenness and disunity, this is one way we can truly show how we can do more together than we can apart. Watch for more information to come!

For more information on the Light the Way Campaign contact: Rev. Stanley Ling/sling@wocumc.org, Rev. Sue Nilson Kibbey/snkibbey@wocumc.org, Mr. Brad Aycock/bradaycock@wocumc.org

Clergy Gatherings
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Note: Retired pastors are welcome to attend!
Looking to impact the life of children and families? We are looking for you!

Set in the beautiful hills of Southern Ohio, The Hocking Hills United Methodist Church focuses on real ministry for real life in our worship and in our community involvement.

HHUMC is a church that is focused on transforming lives, including families and children.

God is calling our hearts to fulfill the position of a Children & Family Ministry Coordinator.

We are looking for a Christ-centered, energetic, passionate person called to lead our children and family ministry into the future.

To inquire more about this available position please contact:

Hocking Hills UMC
Rev. Charlene Mitchell
740-385-4136
pcmhhumc@outlook.com
www.hockinghillsumc.com

Ohio Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

To All Members:
The resource request for the gentleman in Monroe County whose home was threatened by a landslide is no longer needed. Thanks!

Great to know that people are willing to help a person in their time of need.
NWP Directors of Pulpit Supply

Pastors, if you are in need of Sunday morning pulpit supply and would like to arrange for a Lay Speaker to fill in for you, please contact our District Directors of Pulpit Supply.

- **Linda Hoover** is responsible for the southern part of NWP District including Allen, Auglaize, Hardin, Mercer, Van Wert and Wyandot counties. She can be reached at 567-204-0329 or by email at bhoo-ver1@woh.rr.com.

- **Steve Brooks** is responsible for the northern part of NWP District including Defiance, Hancock, Henry, Paulding, Putnam, and Williams counties. He can be reached at 419.519.3319 or by email at sbrooks1101@roadrunner.com.

Lay Servant Training Events

Lay Servant Ministries is one of the most significant lay leadership development programs already available within the United Methodist connection. Through this system of equipping and empowering, lay servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ who then go and make other disciples.

- **“Introduction to Lay Servant Ministry (Basic) Part 1 & 2”** led by Rev. Dave Burkhardt/Lay Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, October 19 (Part 1) & October 26 (Part 2), 8:30am-4:30pm, at Trinity UMC, 137 N. Pratt St., Ottawa, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is October 12 & 19. If we do not receive 10 registrations, the class will not be held Registration info coming soon.

- **“Go Preach (CORE) Part 1 & 2”** led by Rev. David Chivington/Lay Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, October 19 (Part 1) & October 26 (Part 2), 8:30am-4:30pm, at Trinity UMC, 137 N. Pratt St., Ottawa, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is October 12 & 19. If we do not receive 10 registrations, the class will not be held Registration info coming soon.

- **“Ministry in Small Churches (Advanced)”** led by Wade Goble/Lay Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, October 19, at 8:30am-4:30pm, at Trinity UMC, 137 N. Pratt St., Ottawa, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is October 12. If we do not receive 10 registrations, the class will not be held Registration info coming soon.

- **“Creating Sacred Space (Advanced)”** led by Wendy Lybarger/Lay Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, October 26 at 8:30am-4:30pm, at Trinity UMC, 137 N. Pratt St., Ottawa, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is October 12. If we do not receive 10 registrations, the class will not be held Registration info coming soon.

Please help get the word out. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in participating, please register when the time is open to do so!
Findlay Emmaus Walks @ St. Marks UMC, Findlay, OH
http://www.findlayemmaus.org/

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Sidney Emmaus Walk @ First UMC, Sidney, OH
http://www.sidneyemmaus.org/

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NW Ohio Emmaus Walks @ Widewater, Liberty Center, OH
http://www.nwoemmaus.com/

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The Walk to Emmaus is a global ministry of the Upper Room dedicated to supporting the spiritual formation of Christians and the development of Christian servant leaders for the local church. If you would like to experience this spiritual retreat or learn more about it contact Brad Martin.

I am also looking for clergy who are interested in serving in the Northwest Ohio Emmaus Community. The clergy listing needs updating. If you took your walk in another community, if you took another three-day retreat, or if your contact information has changed, please send the information to Brad Martin, Emmaus Community Spiritual Director | bmartin4477@gmail.com

Chrysalis is a three day experience of spiritual renewal open to members of any Christian denomination, ages 15 to 24. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way. Chrysalis is meant to inspire, challenge, and equip youth for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work.

St. Andrew’s UMC, Findlay
Girls
#51--January 25-27, 2019
#52--July 12-14, 2019

Boys
#51--February 22-24, 2019
#52--July 26-28, 2019
http://www.findlaychrysalis.org/

Greene Street UMC, Piqua
http://www.westohiochrysalis.com/

Delta UMC, Delta
Girls - June 22-24, 2018
http://www.nwoemmaus.com/
Local Church and Community Events

HAVE SCRAP METAL TO GET RID OF?
SCRAP METAL DRIVE

Do you have an antenna down from a storm? Got sheet metal, or a chain-link fence you’ve wanted to take down? Here’s your chance to do good while cleaning up from a storm or cleaning out the garage, attic, basement, shed, backyard, etc.

Trinity United Methodist Church will be having a Scrap Metal Drive starting May 1 and going until September 30, 2019.

All METAL accepted—anything and everything. A dumpster is located in the parking lot at Tri-R Guns, 241 E. Second Street, Ottawa, waiting for your cast-offs through the summer. ABSOLUTELY NO TV’S, COMPUTER MONITORS, PAINT, TIRES, or AEROSOL CANS ACCEPTED. All proceeds will go to Trustee projects at Trinity United Methodist Church. Call 419-523-6496 for more information.

Spring Salad Luncheon

Howard U.M. Church
220 Cherry Street
Wed. May 22, 2019
11-1 P.M.$6.00
Proceeds to Missions

Community Meal PSA

The Pandora United Methodist Church will be hosting a FREE Community Meal on Wed. May 29th at 5:30 to 7:00 pm. in the church fellowship hall, 108 E. Washington Street, Pandora. The meal this month is provided by RW Transportation. The menu is Scalloped potatoes, ham, green bean casserole, cookie and beverage.

ATTENTION: LOCAL PASTORS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

LUNCH at ANNUAL CONFERENCE
THE WEST OHIO CONFERENCE

June 4, 2019 12:00 pm—1:30 pm
Drackett Hall
420 E. 6th St., Lakeside Marblehead, OH 43440
$13.00 per person
REGISTER on WOC website DEADLINE BY: May 24

Any Questions feel free to call Susan Thomas 614-844-6200 or email her at stthomas@wocumc.org.

MENU: Shredded BBQ Pork or Shredded BBQ Chicken, Side Salad, Cookie, Water
UMCOR Kit Collection At Annual Conference

UMCOR will be collecting kits at Annual Conference. You can drop off your cleaning kits (flood buckets), school kits and hygiene kits at the South Auditorium on the days and times listed below.

Sunday, June 2, 4 pm - 6 pm
Monday, June 3, 8:30 am - 11:30 am and 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Tuesday, June 4, 8:30 am - 11:30 am

For more information, contact Jeff Walker at jwalker@alink.com

Annual Conference Potato Drop

We are collecting 10lb bags of potatoes at Annual Conference. Bags can be dropped off at the Otterbein North Shore parking lot, just leave them inside the open gate.
**Liberty Chapel Youth Pastor**
Liberty Chapel is looking for a full-time Youth Pastor. Primary responsibilities would be ministries with Junior High and Senior High Youth along with coordination of ministries at The Rock youth center. Interested persons should send their resume to the church: 9474 County Road V, Liberty Center, OH 43532, 419-533-2881. Attention: Pastor Brad Martin. or to bmartin4477@gmail.com.

The Youth Pastor’s main goal is to lead students through teaching scripture, developing youth ministries, and public relations with the congregation and community. He or she will provide regular short-term small group studies for youth to attend. The primary responsibility of this person is with the Junior High and Senior High Teams, but she or he will also provide resources for Children and Middle School Teams. The Youth Pastor will provide leadership in summer to the Junior High and Senior High Youth Ministries which generally includes mission trips among other activities. He or she will also coordinate ministries at The Rock youth center.

Liberty Chapel United Methodist Church is a rural congregation near Liberty Center, Ohio. About 200 persons join together for worship and praise each Sunday. There is a good age-spread of children, youth, youth adults, and older adults. The church has a strong evangelical heritage, classic and contemporary worship services, a tradition of youth ministry, a youth outreach center in Liberty Center with after school programming and lots of dreams, and a Wednesday night student ministry with youth and children.

**Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries**
Grand Lake United Methodist Church is seeking an experienced leader for our full-time Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries position. Interested applicants may send resume and cover letter to Pastor Mick Whis-tler at 119 E. Fulton Street, Celina, OH 45822 or email to mwhistler@grandlakechurch.org.

**Administrative Assistant**
Forest Park United Methodist Church, in Lima, Ohio, is looking for a part time administrative assistant who is a master multi-tasker with excellent communication skills and an upbeat attitude. Candidates should be able to assist the Pastor and all visitors to the church by handling office tasks, providing polite and professional assistance via phone, mail, and e-mail, scheduling appointments, and generally being a helpful and positive presence in the workplace.

Candidates should be professional, attentive, and accurate. They should always be prepared and responsive, willing to meet each challenge directly; must be comfortable with computers—especially Microsoft Word and Excel, general office tasks, and be excellent at both verbal and written communication. Most importantly, candidates should have a genuine desire to meet the needs of others. Previous work experience in an office environment would be preferred but is not necessary.

Please send all resumes to:
Forest Park United Methodist Church
ATTN: SPR Committee
315 South Collins Avenue
Lima, OH 45804

Deadline to apply for this job is: May 28, 2019
**Free Cantata Books**
Middle Point UMC has song books for Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, and Patriotic seasons. Donating. Really good condition. Please call Sandy Moore at 419-968-2443 if interested.

**TV Stand for Sale**
We have recently wall-mounted our media and have 1 TV stand available for $25.00 to the first interested purchaser. Please phone 419/238-0631 x302 for more information. Sherri Arn/Van Wert First United Methodist Church

**Portable Sound Lectern**
Zion Grover Hill UMC is looking for a portable sound lectern. Please contact Mike Waldron 419.238.1493 with any leads.

**Organist/Pianist**
Ottawa Trinity United Methodist Church is looking for an organist/pianist. If you or someone you know is interested in this vacancy, please contact Trinity's church office, 419-523-6496 Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Trinity UMC is located at 137 N Pratt St., Ottawa, Oh 45875.
RADICAL DISCIPLESHIP—THEN AND NOW
Mission u 2019!

DATES:
Mission School: July 18-21 (with Youth and Young Adult Programs)
Day Sampler: July 20 (with Children’s and Spanish Speaking Programs)

LOCATION:
Otterbein University, Westerville, Ohio

Welcome to West Ohio Mission u 2019! Take a deep dive into the Gospel of Mark and the inspiring story of women organized for mission, with additional study on the topic of money. Come join us for an experience like no other of learning and spiritual renewal. This year our studies are:

Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship by Janet Wolf
Women United for Change: 150 Years in Mission by Ellen Blue
What About Our Money? A Faith Response by Susan K. Taylor (enrichment only)
Additional studies on the gospel of Mark for children and youth

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: https://www.westohioumw.org/mission-u
Free Active Shooter Prevention Guide
Recently, attention has been drawn to the unthinkable action of active shooters in a house of worship.
UMI is offering this resource to you as a way to prepare you, your church leadership, the congregation and visitors in the event this should occur. Being prepared helps everyone cope with these realities and begin to re-focus attention on core ministries.
Conducting the ministries of The United Methodist Church takes on many forms. Our first call to ministry is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. This crucial part of our ministry as a denomination begins in the local church. Everything else we do on a daily basis supports this core commission. (Matthew 28:19)
There are many supportive actions taking place every day to support the local church. One of them is to insure the church properties so that a church can continue its core ministries in the community.

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Local Church Officer Job Descriptions
Positions Required in All Congregations
Every congregation must make provision for including these functions according to The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, ¶244, ¶249. Positions may be combined except for the financial functions. "The positions of treasurer and financial secretary should not be combined and held by one person, and the persons holding these positions should not be immediate family members (¶258.4)."
Nominations and Leader Development Committee (¶258.1)
Pastor/Staff-Parish Relations Committee (¶258.2)
Trustees (¶258.3 and ¶2524 to 2550)
Finance Committee Chairperson (¶258.4)
Lay Leader (¶251.1)
Lay Member of Annual Conference (¶251.2)
Financial Secretary (¶258.4)
Church Treasurer (¶258.4)
Membership Secretary (¶234 and ¶235 to 242)
Leadership Team (also called Church Council, Administrative Board) Chairperson (¶251.3)

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