# 2024 Officiary

January 29, 2024



# First United Methodist Church Birmingham, Michigan Officiary – 2024

# **COUNCIL and LEAD COMMITTEES**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL**

Senior Pastor: Charles Boayue, Jr.

**Associate Pastors:** Zack Dunlap, Susie Hierholzer

Sarah Alexander Deacon: Shawn Lewis-Lakin **Clergy Staff: Chairperson:** Ann Littleton (26) Vice Chairperson Tom Aubrey (26)

Barbara Baughman (24) **Secretary:** 

Jeff Hockman (26) Treasurer: **Assistant Treasurer:** Laurie Maria (26)

Mixie Hockman (26), Kyle Price (26), Lay Leaders:

> Mary Jane Russell (24) Kimberly Uptergrove

**Board of Trustees Chairperson:** 

**UWF** (formerly UMW) President:

**Sharon Ulep** 

**Staff Parish Relations Chairperson:** Melissa Peirce (26) **Finance Committee Chairperson:** Don MacDonald (26) **Endowment Fund Board Chairperson:** Eric Freeburg (26) Rob Grabiel (26) **Investment Committee Chairperson: Seminary Relations Chairperson:** Christy Glick (25)

**Technology Committee Chairperson:** Adam Deal (26) Discipleship/(Inreach) Committee George Work (25) **Church and Society:** Frank Driscoll (25)

**Connecting/Hospitality:** Margaret Maddux (24), Melissa Ng (26) **Hunger:** Robin Adams (26), Patty Eble (26)

**Missions:** Bridget Schipper (25) First Kids Preschool: Megan Korzeniewski

At Large Members: Jill Brouhard (25), Eric Pelton (25), Jim Rillema (25)

## Lay Members of Michigan Annual Conference

**Class of 2026:** Gabe Ervin, Judy Turner, Mary Wilcox

**Class of 2025:** Elizabeth Boayue, Buff & Roger Cummings, Mary Jane Russell, Darrell & Linda White

Doug & Jane Carvell, David & Sue Dale, Eric & Candy Law, Ted McClew Class of 2024:

Alternate 2026: Jeremiah Wade-Olson, Brian & Julie White

# **ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES**

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Chairperson: Sharon Ulep
Vice Chairperson: Steve Read
Secretary: Kyle Denzler
Finance Rep.: Bob Feldmaier
Senior Pastor: Charles Boayue, Jr.

**Staff Liaisons**: Tony Kotwicki, Frank Turco

Class of 2026: Bob Feldmaier, Steve Read

Class of 2025: Kyle Denzler, Ted Farmer, Bob Pierce

Class of 2024: Kathy Dalton, John Kreitz, Jane Pettibone, Sharon Ulep

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairperson:
Ann Littleton (26)
Vice Chairperson:
Tom Aubrey (26)
Secretary:
Barbara Baughman (24)
Senior Pastor:
Charles Boayue, Jr.
Staff Liaison:
Frank Turco

Lay Leaders: Mixie Hockman (26), Kyle Price (26), Mary Jane Russell (24)

Trustees Chairperson:
SPRC Chairperson:
Finance Chairperson:
Discipleship Chairperson:
Missions Chairperson:
Sharon Ulep (24)
Melissa Peirce (26)
Don MacDonald (26)
George Work (25)
Bridget Schipper (25)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson:

Vice Chairperson:

Treasurer:

Assistant Treasurer:

Secretary:

Chairperson:

Maren Mobley (26)

Jeff Hockman (26)

Laurie Maria (26)

Ron O'Neill (26)

Charles Boayue, Jr.

**Staff Liaison:** Frank Turco

Members at Large:

Class of 2026: Dan Brewer, Don MacDonald, Karen Mobley, Chuck Truza, Ron O'Neill

Class of 2025: Jimmy Banyai, Josh Miller, Kim Stoner, Catherine Turnbull

Class of 2024: Tom Aubrey

## **Members by Position:**

Lay Leaders (*Mary Jane Russell, Mixie Hockman, Kyle Price*), Administrative Council Chairperson (*Ann Littleton*), Audit Committee Chairperson (*Jim Campagne*), Lay Member to Michigan Conference Representative, Trustee Treasurer (*Bob Feldmaier*), United Women in Faith Treasurer

## **Authorized to Sign Checks:**

Jeff Hockman (Treasurer), Laurie Maria (Assistant Treasurer), Kate Wilcox, and Doris Hall

#### **Authorized to Sell Donated Securities**

Frank Turco (Director of Finance and Operations)

## NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Senior Pastor: Charles Boayue, Jr. Staff Liaison: Mary Feldmaier

Lay Leaders: Mixie Hockman (26), Kyle Price (26), Mary Jane Russell (26)

Class of 2026: Ilona Hawk, Susan Ives
Class of 2025: Tim Dickerson, Jeff Grabiel

Class of 2024: Barb Poff, Darrell White, Mary Wilcox

## **STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**Chairperson:** *Melissa Peirce (26)* **Senior Pastor:** Charles Boayue, Jr.

Lay Leaders: Mixie Hockman (26), Kyle Price (26), Mary Jane Russell (24)

Class of 2026: Jill Brouhard, Tim Chak, Melissa Peirce
Class of 2025: Karen Carter, Josh Denzler, Erin Schweibold
Class of 2024: Carol Rillema, Tom Schowalter, Shane Spradlin

## **COMMITTEES**

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Chairperson: Jim Campagne (25)

Staff Liaison: Frank Turco

Class of 2026: Diana Freeburg, Blake Green, Fred Green Class of 2025: Jim Campagne, George Dilgard, Mike Schulte

Class of 2024: Liz Holmes, Liz Larson

# **CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND REPLACEMENT COMMITTEE**

Members: Ron Aten, Frank Mei, Adam Parsons, Bob Pierce, Tom Russell, Rich Teets

Staff Liaisons: Tony Kotwicki, Frank Turco Trustee Liaison:

#### CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER (CLC) LEADERSHIP TEAM (+)

Chairperson:
Vice Chairperson:

Volunteer Coordinator:
Staff Liaison:

Glenn Moore
Denese Forbes
Tammy Packard
Sarah Alexander

Unite 3 on 3: **Beth Torrey** Trustee Liaison:

**Class of 2026:** George Holton, Dawn Thomas

**Class of 2025:** Nancy Keesee, Melinda McTaggart-Stone

DISCIPLESHIP / INREACH COMMITTEE

**Chairperson:** George Work (25) Staff Liaison: Susie Hierholzer

Class of 2026: Carolyn Kidney, Deb Lobring, Don Magee, Ronnie Townes, Roz Townes, Mary Wilcox

Class of 2025: Barb Glick, Dale Glick, Todd Hibbard, Jennifer Williams, George Work

Class of 2024: Parker Roberts

## ENDOWMENT FUND BOARD

**Chairperson:** Eric Freeburg (26)

Staff Liaison: Shawn Lewis-Lakin Chairperson Emeritus: Gary Valade

**Class of 2028:** Lon Bone, Bob Sutherland

Jeff Cort, Claude Oleson, Lisa Wells **Class of 2027:** Doug Carvell, Eric Freeburg, Holly Pisano **Class of 2026:** 

Gayle McGarvah, Jim Valiquett **Class of 2025:** 

Joan Benner, John Carter **Class of 2024:** 

## **INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Rob Grabiel (26) Chairperson: Staff Liaison: Frank Turco

**Senior Pastor:** Charles Boayue, Jr.

**Class of 2028:** Diana Freeburg, Paul Keller Kevin Heckman, Rick Nauer **Class of 2027: Class of 2026:** Rob Grabiel, Colin Lennox **Class of 2025:** Mark Lachowicz, Andy Schueler Brett Bernard, Frank Schweibold **Class of 2024:** 

**Trustee Representative: Endowment Fund Board Representative:** 

## **MULTI-SITE MINISTRY TEAM**

**Chairperson:** Ron Reynolds **Staff Liaison:** Zack Dunlap

**Members:** Len Billingsley, Josh Denzler, Austin Kendall

#### PARSONAGE COMMITTEE

## **Members by Position**

SPRC Liaison: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Liaison: \_\_\_\_

Staff Liaison: Tony Kotwicki Advisor: Cyndi Cummings

**Member:** Kristen Armstrong

## PRESCHOOL COMMITTEE

Chairperson:Marlee BressoAssociate Pastor:Susie HierholzerPreschool Director:Megan Korzeniewski

Trustee Liaison:

SPRC Liaison: Erin Schweibold

**Young 2s Teal Room:** 

2s Turquoise Room: Kathryn Murray
Young 3s: Alicia DeCarolis
Young 4s: Kristen Decker

3s Red/Yellow: Kristen Bolitho, Alexandria Kotlarek, Traci Shaver

4s Green/Orange: Renee Billmeyer, Marlee Bresso

Young 5s Blue/Purple: Alicia DeCarolis

## **SCOUTING MINISTRY OVERSIGHT TEAM(+)**

Chairperson: Parker Roberts (26)

Staff Liaison: Kim Bowyer

**Members:** Tricia Meade, Larry Phillips, Parker Roberts

Trustees Liaison:

#### SEMINARY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Christy Glick (24)
Staff Liaison: Sarah Alexander

Class of 2026: Gretchen Brewer, John Carter, Lee Gillett, Robin Read, Ron Reynolds, Georgia Vitick

Class of 2025: Nancy Keesee, Erin Schweibold

Class of 2024: Christy Glick

**Seminary Board Members** 

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary: Cliff Bath, Roger Cummings

**Duke Divinity School:** Eric Law

# **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

Chairperson: Adam Deal (26)
Staff Liaison: Bruce Richardson

Trustee Liaison:

Members: Adam Deal, Jim Maddox, Don Magee, John Matthews, Corryl Parr, Mark Theobald,

# **SERVICE MINISTRIES**

## BALDWIN HOUSE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Carolyn Butcher (26) Frank Driscoll (26) Jeff Hockman (26)

## **CHURCH AND SOCIETY MINISTRY**

Chairperson: Frank Driscoll (25)
Staff Liaison: Sarah Alexander

Class of 2026: Carole Dills, Dick Dills, Caroll Driscoll, Gabe Ervin, Donna Haymond, Katy Niglas,

Linda Remington, Susan Rieth, Barb Saul, Bridget Schipper, Beth Torrey, Jan Wade

Class of 2025: Frank Driscoll

Class of 2024: Lon Bone, Margaret Buccini, Toni Segitz, Sue Smith, Liz Swarthout

**Bread for the World Representative:** Rich Teets

Fair Trade Coffee Sales: Claude and Susan Oleson

**United Women of Faith Representative:** Cynthia Dona

#### CONNECTING/HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Co-Chairpersons: Margaret Maddux (24), Melissa Ng (26)

**Staff Liaisons:** Mary Feldmaier

Class of 2026: Suzanne Cory, Kathy Mechigian, Gwen Moore, Melissa Ng

Class of 2025: Joy Murray

Class of 2024: Amy Geissbuhler, Luanne Grabiel, Jan Hess-Wahl, Katie Kilpatrick, Jill Lohr, Maureen

O'Neill, Ron O'Neill, Robin Read, Mike Stephens, Judy Turner, Kim Uptergrove

Worship Transportation Coordinator: Melissa Ng

## **HUNGER MINISTRY**

**Chairperson:** Robin Adams (26), Patty Eble (26)

**Staff Liaison:** Sarah Alexander

Class of 2026: Robin Adams, Pam Byrd, Patty Eble, Deb Hamel, Lisa Kost, Nancy McNab,

Michael Reinker, Georgia Vitick

Class of 2025: Jerry Haymond, Sue Myers

Class of 2024: Steve Packard, Tammy Packard, Sue Schowalter, Justin Work

## LANDSCAPE MINISTRY

Chairperson: Jane Carvell (25)
Staff Liaison: Tony Kotwicki
Trustee Liaison:

Members: Diane Evey, Katie Kirkpatrick, Alison Mackinder, Nancy McNab, Lori Noyd, Corryl Parr,

Sharon Pugh, Steve Read, Jim Rillema, Toni Segitz, Margy Truza, Dan Ulep,

Marcy Van de Grift

## **MISSIONS MINISTRY**

**Co-Chairperson:** Bridget Schipper (25)

Co-Chairperson:Liz Rito (25)Staff Liaison:Zack DunlapSecretary:Tim Weeks (26)Treasurer:Bob Everson (25)

**Angel Tree:** Liz Rito

Art & Soul: Donna Haymond Baldwin Center: Bob Everson

Brightmoor (RBI): Ken Hamel and Jean McKeehan

Cass: Karla Bole
Cuba: Marilyn Numan
Czech Republic: Donna Haymond

**Focus HOPE:** Amy Bouque, Kathy Nauer

Ghana: Vida Owusu-Agyei, Kwaku Twum Jr.

Haiti: Jackie Keller, Paul Keller, John Smith, Nancy Smith

**Henderson Settlement**: Sue Walters

**Honduras:** Chris Kinney and Lorrie Kinney

Hope Shelters: Karen Plants
India: Linda Klepaczyk
Liberia: Helen Hicks

MCHS Family of Services: Nancy Overman, Connie Pelton

Micah 6: Mike Stephens

Monthly Missions: Patty Reynolds and Patrice Kofa

**NOAH:** Jim Valiquett, Merry Beth Valiquett, Sue Walters

**Sneedville, Tennessee:** Barb Pobst

**StreeThreads:** Jim Valiquett, Merry Beth Valiquett, Sue Walters

UMCOR: Shawn Ciemniecki

**Members at Large:** 

Class of 2026: Patrice Kofa, Tim Weeks

Class of 2025: Caitlyn Ciemniecki, Heidi Geissbuhler

Class of 2024: Shawn Ciemniecki, Ken Hamel

Fantasy Football/March Madness for Missions Representative: Mark Adams

United Women in Faith (UWIF) Representative: Wendy Kreitz

Chairperson Emeritus: Laura Dickerson Nomination Committee Liaison: Sue Ives

## **NOTATIONS:**

(+) = denotes new addition of a committee or team to the administrative structure of the church.

(italics) = denotes a person whose term of office is being extended.

(bold) = denotes a person beginning a term of office in a new position.

) = denotes vacancies to be filled later during the year.

#### **Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development**

#### **MOTIONS:**

On behalf of the Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development, I move that the following two new agencies, along with their duties, be added to the administrative structure of First United Methodist Church beginning January 1, 2024:

# 1. Christian Life Center (CLC) Leadership Team

The Christian Life Center Leadership Team will provide recruitment and volunteer service, ministry planning and oversight, administrative and other support for the sustainable operation of the Christian Life Center. The Team will relate to the Board of Trustees on building use and maintenance matters and report to the Administrative Council upon request.

## 2. Scouting Ministry Oversight Team

The Scouting Ministry Oversight Team will oversee scouting ministry on behalf of the congregation and relate to the leadership of the Scouting Units of the BSA located in our facilities. It will also provide oversight to ensure that adults and other volunteers who work with our troops are properly screened and authorized to do so. This shall include ensuring that appropriate backgrounds checks are performed and recorded, encouraging congregational support for scouting, and serving as a liaison between the congregation and the Scouting Units of the BSA. The committee shall relate to the Board of Trustees on all legal, building maintenance and usage matters. It shall report to the Administrative Council upon request.

Additionally, I move that the Officiary as presented, along with any amendments and corrections made tonight, be approved, and implemented, and that vacancies existing tonight as well as those that may occur during the next year, be filled by the Administrative Council upon recommendation of the Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development.

Finally, on behalf of the Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development, we thank all people who have served this year in various positions on our committees and ministries. We especially thank the following leaders whose terms are ending on December 31, 2023, for their faithful and dedicated leadership which led our congregation's mission and ministry. As I call their names, please hold your applause until all names are called, then you may rise give them your affirmation. For all who are able, please stand and remain standing until all names are called.

- 1. Russ Ives, chairperson of the Administrative Council
- 2. Chuck Truza, chairperson of the Staff Parish Relations Committee
- 3. Brady Ericson, chairperson of the Finance Committee
- 4. Paul Keller, chairperson of the Endowment Committee
- 5. Bob Feldmaier, chairperson of the Hunger Ministry
- 6. Matt Blinstrub, chairperson of the Audit Committee
- 7. Linwood Stanley, chairperson of the Technology Committee
- 8. Judy Turner, co-chairperson of Connecting and Hospitality Ministry
- 9. Jim and Merry Beth Valiquett, Lay Members to the Michigan Annual Conference

On behalf of the Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development, we thank the hundreds of members who step up to do the work of God through our congregation. Your church needs you to step forward and offer your service. That way, the ministries and mission of God will be yours to fulfill, and our congregation

will become stronger, healthier, and more productive. With thanksgiving for your support, we give glory to God.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Dr. Charles Boayue, Jr. Senior Pastor and Chairperson

Vice Chair: Darrell White; Secretary: Barb Poff; Members: Tim Dickerson, Jeff Grabiel, Susan Ives, Mary Wilcox

Staff Liaison: Mary Feldmaier Lay Leader: Mary Jane Russell