

***Pilgrimage United Church of Christ
Bylaw Update Summary***

It was the consensus of the Council that it was appropriate to review the church bylaws and recommend any updates necessary to keep them current and viable. The following are the recommended updates, changes and additions that the Council proposes.

Page 3, Article IV – Government and Wider Fellowship, Section 1, item 1.2:

In the second sentence drop “the Georgia-South Carolina Association” from the sentence since the association no longer exists.

(Starting on Page 6), Article VIII - Officers:

Section 3, The President, item 7 – Change “Shall be bonded” to “shall be bonded if deemed necessary by the Council”.

Section 4, The Vice President, item 5 – Change “Shall be bonded” to “shall be bonded if deemed necessary by the Council”.

Section 5, The Clerk, item 7 – Change “Shall be bonded” to “shall be bonded if deemed necessary by the Council”.

Section 6, The Treasurer, item 7 – Change “Shall be bonded” to “shall be bonded if deemed necessary by the Council”.

Section 7, The Financial Secretary;

Item 3 - add the word “Committee” following Stewardship,

Item 4 - add the word “written” before monthly report,

Item 5 - Change “Shall be bonded” to “shall be bonded if deemed necessary by the Council”.

Section 9, Executive Committee,

Item 1 – correct formatting to add “1. T” to the beginning of the first line.

Section 10, Elections and Installation of Executive Officers,

Item 1 – add a second sentence “Employees of Pilgrimage (except the Minister) are not eligible to sit on the Executive Committee.

(Starting on Page 10), Article IX- Church Council:

Section 1, General,

Item 1.2 – second sentence, add the word “voting” before members to define a quorum.

Item 1.3 – add the sentence “If a committee is led by “co-chairs” it is still limited to one, single Council vote.” at the end of the section.

Section 2, Duties and Responsibilities,

Item 2.4 (page 11) – add sub section 11. “Call for a review of the need to bond the President, Vice President, Clerk, Treasurer and/or the Financial Secretary at least once a year.”

(Starting on page 11), Article X – Committees:

Section 1, General,

Item 1.2 – second sentence, add “(or co-chairs)” to “All meetings will be chaired by the Chairperson *(or co-chairs)* or his/her designee.

Item 1.9 – change sentence from “Each committee shall have at least 6 members.” to “It is recommended that each committee have at least 3 members.”

Section 4, Christian Education Committee,

Item 4.2, sub section 1.c. – change wording to include “Youth Director”, i.e.: Youth Ministries/Youth Director”.

Section 6, Stewardship Committee,

Item 6.1 – change the first sentence from “This Committee shall consist of six to nine members.” to “This Committee shall preferably consist of at least three members.”.

Item 6.3, sub section 5 – Add the following sentence at the end of the sub section “An “ad hoc” committee may assist Stewardship in seeking nominees for office.”.

Section 7, Properties Committee,

Item 7.1 – change the first sentence from “This Committee shall consist of six to nine members.” to “This Committee shall preferably consist of at least three members.”.

Section 8, Deacons (Diaconate) Committee,

Item 8.1 – add the word “preferably” before “consist of at least six, etc.”.

(starting on page 18) Article XVI – Personnel Committees:

Section 2, Review Committees,

Item 2.1 - Add chairperson(s) of the Worship Committee to the sentence. “A committee composed of the President, Vice President, Chairperson(s) of Deacons and Chairperson(s) of Worship Committee shall annually meet with the Ministers for the purpose of reviewing performance and considering objectives for the coming year.”