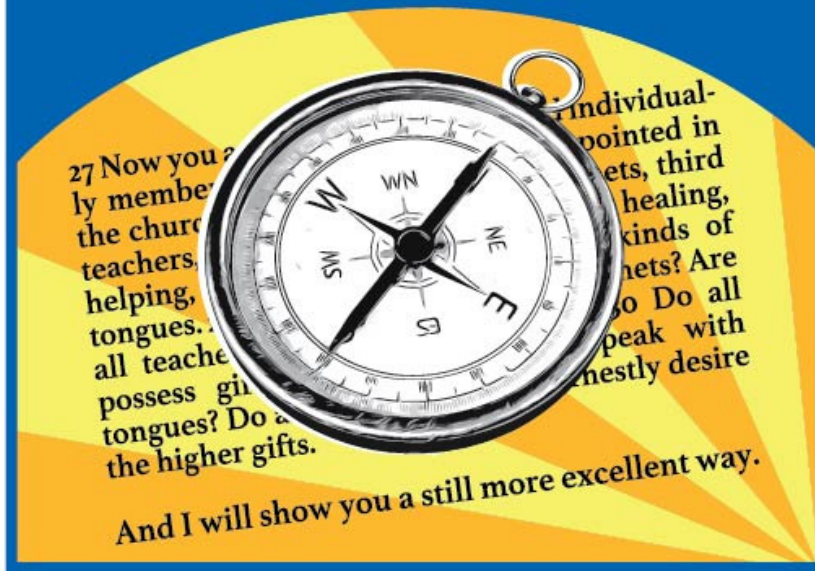


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**II. REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN FOR 2020
CONDENSED REPORT**

Line	Description	2019	2020	Difference
	Professing Membership			
1	Total professing members reported at the close of last year	219,998	217,589	1% Decrease
2a	Received this year on Profession of Faith through confirmation	1,177	640	46% Decrease
2b	Received this year on Profession of Faith other than confirmation	952	571	40% Decrease
2c	Membership restored by Affirmation of Faith	249	138	45% Decrease
2d	Added by correction	598	479	20% Decrease
2e	Transferred in from another United Methodist Church	1,526	674	56% Decrease
2f	Transferred in from a non-United Methodist Church	1,300	599	54% Decrease
3a	Removed by Charge Conference Action	1,019	1,163	14% Increase
3b	Withdrawn from Professing Membership	618	439	29% Decrease
3c	Removed by Correction	2,010	2,166	8% Increase
3d	Transferred out to another United Methodist Church	886	1,087	23% Increase
3e	Transferred out to a non-United Methodist Church	1,056	496	53% Decrease
3f	Removed by death/deceased	2,530	3,105	23% Increase
4	TOTAL PROFESSING MEMBERS reported at the close of this year	217,681	212,234	3% Decrease
	Membership Ethnicity			
5a	Asian	707	795	12% Increase
5b	Black	42,113	40,485	4% Decrease
5c	Hispanic/Latino	381	370	3% Decrease
5d	Native American	114	109	4% Decrease
5e	Pacific Islander	56	55	2% Decrease
5f	White	173,695	169,750	2% Decrease
5g	Multiracial	615	670	9% Increase
5	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP ETHNICITY (5a+5b+5c+5d+5e+5f+5g = 5 = 4)	217,681	212,234	3% Decrease
	Membership Gender			
6a	Female	124,485	121,210	3% Decrease
6b	Male	93,196	91,024	2% Decrease
6	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP GENDER (6a+6b = 6 = 4)	217,681	212,234	3% Decrease
7	Average attendance at all weekly worship services	78,633	54,250	31% Decrease
7a	Number of persons who worship online	11,036	72,579	558% Increase
8a	Number of persons baptized this year (0-12 Years)	4,159	540	87% Decrease
8b	Number of persons baptized this year (ages 13 or older)	489	216	56% Decrease

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Line	Description	2019	2020	Difference
8	Total number of persons baptized this year (sum of 8a+8b)	4,648	756	84% Decrease
9	Total Baptized Members who have not become Professing Members	12,367	11,284	9% Decrease
10	Number of other constituents of the church	19,462	18,925	3% Decrease
	PARTICIPANTS IN CHRISTIAN FORMATION GROUPS (CFG), including Sunday School, educational classes, and other small group ministries			
11a	Number of CHILDREN CFG participants and leaders (ages 0-11)	19,036	13,655	28% Decrease
11b	Number of YOUTH CFG participants and leaders (ages 12-18)	10,619	8,266	22% Decrease
11c	Number of YOUNG ADULTS CFG participants and leaders (ages 19-30)	6,309	5,068	20% Decrease
11d	Number of OTHER ADULT CFG participants and leaders (ages 31+)	46,168	37,144	20% Decrease
11	TOTAL Christian Formation Group Participants (Total of lines 11a-d)	82,132	64,133	22% Decrease
	Other Classes and Education			
12	Total enrolled in confirmation preparation classes this year	1,456	973	33% Decrease
13	Average weekly attendance (all ages) in Sunday Church School or other weekly education classes	31,999	22,134	31% Decrease
14	Number of participants in Vacation Bible School	34,864	9,247	73% Decrease
15	Number of ongoing Sunday Church School Classes offered	3,537	2,806	21% Decrease
16	Number of ongoing small groups, support groups, or classes offered (other than Sunday Church School)	3,753	2,846	24% Decrease
17	Number of support groups or small groups offered for a short term only	1,710	1,257	26% Decrease
18a	Membership in United Methodist Men	10,456	8,963	14% Decrease
18b	Amount paid for projects (UMM)	781,294	495,664	37% Decrease
19a	Membership in United Methodist Women	19,708	19,201	3% Decrease
19b	Amount paid for local church and community work (UMW)	1,134,421	716,951	37% Decrease
	Mission Engagement			
20a	Number of UMWIM teams sent from this local church	150	64	57% Decrease
20b	Number of persons sent out on UMWIM teams from this local church	1,071	652	39% Decrease
21	Total Number of community ministries for outreach, justice, and mercy offered by this local church	7,964	7,775	2% Decrease
21a	Of the ministries counted in Line 21, how many focus on global/regional health?	1,881	1,920	2% Increase
21b	Of the ministries counted in Line 21, how many focus on engaging in ministry with the poor/socially marginalized?	5,498	5,301	4% Decrease
22	Number of persons from your congregation serving in mission/community ministries	42,942	31,894	26% Decrease
23	Number of persons served by community ministries for outreach, justice, and mercy	1,061,270	989,401	7% Decrease

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Line	Description	2019	2020	Difference
Assets and Debt				
24	Market value of church-owned land, buildings, vehicles and equipment	1,987,160,724	2,025,558,472	2% Increase
25	Market value of financial and other liquid assets	179,869,297	214,101,923	19% Increase
26	Debt secured by church physical assets	72,091,230	65,307,278	9% Decrease
27	Other debt	2,388,996	4,500,573	88% Increase
Church Expenditures				
28a	Amount APPORTIONED to the local church by the CONFERENCE	17,754,921	17,605,085	1% Decrease
28b	Amount APPORTIONED to the local church by the DISTRICT (if applicable)	-	-	No Change
Benevolent Giving				
29a	*Amount PAID by the local church to the CONFERENCE for all apportioned causes	15,982,102	15,347,189	4% Decrease
29b	Amount PAID by the local church to the DISTRICT for all apportioned causes (if applicable)	-	-	No Change
30	*General Advance Specials	261,394	146,433	44% Decrease
31	*World Service Specials	-	-	No Change
32	*Annual Conference Advance Specials	28,543	86,968	205% Increase
33	*Youth Service Fund	1,405	55	96% Decrease
34	*All other funds sent to Conference for connectional mission and ministry	339,282	338,933	1% Decrease
35	*Total Annual Conference Special Sundays Offerings	477,103	366,671	23% Decrease
36a	*Human Relations Sunday	7,712	5,899	24% Decrease
36b	*UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing)	27,898	3,627	87% Decrease
36c	*Peace with Justice Sunday	5,293	2,289	57% Decrease
36d	*Native American Ministries Sunday	8,614	4,572	47% Decrease
36e	*World Communion Sunday	7,140	4,159	42% Decrease
36f	*U.M. Student Day	5,696	4,414	23% Decrease
37	Total amount given directly to United Methodist causes (not sent to Conference)	2,459,825	1,872,185	24% Decrease
38	Total amount given to non-United Methodist benevolent and charitable causes	8,291,090	7,255,022	12% Decrease
Clergy and Staff				
Pension and Health				
39	Total paid for direct-billed and/or non-apportioned clergy pension and other non-health benefits. The Conference treasurer's office will complete this line.	4,958,808	3,089,316	38% Decrease
40	Total paid for direct-billed and/or non-apportioned clergy health benefits. This line will be completed by the Conference.	4,842,559	3,713,277	23% Decrease

Line	Description	2019	2020	Difference
Clergy Compensation				
41a	Base compensation paid to/for the Senior Pastor or other person assigned or appointed in the lead pastoral role to the church (this person could be anyone, as long as he/she is assigned or appointed to the lead pastor role).	29,956,318	30,219,638	1% Increase
41b	Base compensation paid to/for all Associate Pastor(s) and other pastoral staff assigned or appointed to the church. Include deacons and other clergy in this role.	2,603,556	2,333,134	10% Decrease
41c	Base compensation paid to/for any Deacons not included in 41a or 41b.	240,298	270,940	13% Increase
42a	Housing benefits paid to/for Lead Pastor or person in lead pastoral role as described in 41a. This field is calculated for you as the sum of 42a.1 and 42a.2.	3,153,015	3,125,138	1% Decrease
42b	Housing benefits paid to/for all Associate Pastor(s) and other pastoral staff assigned or appointed to the church. Include deacons and other clergy in this role. This line is calculated for you as the sum of 42b.1 and 42b.2.	745,827	650,186	13% Decrease
42c	Housing benefits paid to/for any Deacons not included in 41a or 41b. This line is calculated for you as the sum of 42c.1 and 42c.2.	70,059	54,553	22% Decrease
43	Total amount paid to pastor and associate(s) for accountable reimbursements	2,293,667	1,460,862	36% Decrease
44	Total amount paid to pastor and associate(s) for any other cash allowances (non accountable)	100,140	299,113	199% Increase
45	Total amount paid in salary and benefits for all other church staff and diaconal ministers	37,768,715	35,546,827	6% Decrease
Program and Operating Expenses				
46	Total amount spent for local church program expenses	9,657,341	6,686,971	31% Decrease
47	Total amount spent for other local church operating expenses	34,997,199	32,381,847	7% Decrease
Debt Payments and Building Improvements				
48	Total amount paid for principal and interest on indebtedness, loans, mortgages, etc.	13,888,303	11,418,909	18% Decrease
49	Total amount paid on capital expenditures for building, improvements, and major equipment purchases	18,628,978	12,844,399	31% Decrease
50	TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES (Sum of Lines 29a through 49)	191,807,880	169,533,526	12% Decrease
51	Number of giving units	75,677	70,952	6% Decrease
Received for Annual Budget/Spending Plan				
52a	Amount received through pledges	58,551,106	58,754,191	1% Increase
52b	Amount received from non-pledging, but identified givers	101,486,055	96,188,921	5% Decrease
52c	Amount received from unidentified givers	3,881,325	2,105,456	46% Decrease
52d	Amount received from interest and dividends and/or transferred from liquid assets	1,556,713	1,431,250	8% Decrease
52e	Amount received from Sale of Church Assets for Budget	98,342	134,094	36% Increase

Line	Description	2019	2020	Difference
52f	Amount received through building use fees, contributions, and rentals	1,652,361	1,427,165	14% Decrease
52g	Amount received through fundraisers and other sources	3,979,487	2,871,294	28% Decrease
52t	Total income for annual budget/spending plan	171,205,389	162,912,371	5% Decrease
53	Received for Capital Campaigns and other designated special projects			
53a	Capital campaigns	9,879,597	6,189,338	37% Decrease
53b	Memorials, endowments, and bequests	5,077,488	4,531,563	11% Decrease
53c	Funds from other sources and projects, including sale of buildings	4,654,512	3,755,890	19% Decrease
53d	Amount received for Special Sundays, General Advance Specials, World Service Specials, Conference Advance Specials and other forms of directed benevolent (charitable) giving	3,970,177	2,432,798	39% Decrease
53t	Total income for designated causes including capital campaign and other special projects	23,581,774	16,909,589	28% Decrease
54	Income from Connectional Funds or other external sources			
54a	Equitable Compensation Funds received by Church or Pastor	297,188	353,539	19% Increase
54b	Advance Special, apportioned, and connectional funds received by church	186,405	247,360	33% Increase
54c	Other grants and financial support from institutional sources	521,055	5,766,875	1007% Increase
54t	Total income from connectional and other institutional sources outside the local church	1,004,648	6,367,774	534% Increase
55	TOTAL CHURCH INCOME (Sum of Lines 52 + 53 + 54)	195,791,811	186,189,734	5% Decrease

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The beginning membership for 2020 does not agree to the ending membership for 2019 because of closed churches reporting an ending membership for 2019: Sandy Springs (GW) 13 and Mount Carmel Ninety Six (GW) 79.

B. STATISTICAL TABLES

Compiled from the Reports of the Pastors

Table I, Table II and Table III
for the year

January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020