

## **Certified Lay Minister Policy**

### **Pastoral Relationships**

#### **South Carolina Conference Lay Servant Ministries**

A Certified Lay Minister *may* be assigned to a church/charge in a pastoral relationship or may be involved in some other type of service ministry using a CLM Specialization.

A Certified Lay Minister in the United Methodist Church **shall not enter into a pastoral relationship with a non-United Methodist Church and retain the status of CLM.**

This follows the practice of the South Carolina Conference concerning both active and retired clergy relationships. Therefore, this applies to lay persons who are CLMs and in an assignment as a pastor of a United Methodist church.