



Western Waters District

Michigan Conference

Serving 73 Churches

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

23 Let's hold on to the confession of our hope without wavering, because the one who made the promises is reliable. 24 And let us consider each other carefully for the purpose of sparking love and good deeds. 25 Don't stop meeting together with other believers, which some people have gotten into the habit of doing. Instead, encourage each other, especially as you see the day drawing near. ~ Hebrews 10:23-25 (Common English Bible)

November 13, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We need to vote on the 2024 Western Waters District Budget as we continue our mission and ministries as the Western Waters District.

The 2024 Budget has been approved by both the Western Waters District Finance and Leadership Teams and now comes to you for a vote. We will accomplish this vote by email with the deadline of December 1, 2023. Following the vote, the results will be emailed out with the 2024 Western Waters District Ministry Shares information.

Attached to this email you will find the 2024 Budget that includes the 2024 Ministry Shares Total.

2024 Western Waters District Total Budget — \$202,000

2024 Western Waters District Ministry Shares Total — \$155,004

The difference between Ministry Shares (\$155,000) and the Ministry Shares on the Budget (\$170,000) is the 10 churches that are leaving the district at the end of the year (\$15,000). We are expecting a share of the conference ministry shares that the Disaffiliating Churches are paying in as they leave. That amount should exceed \$15,000 and will be applied to 2024 ministry shares. We do not know what that amount is as of today.

- Motion to approve or disapprove the 2024 Budget + the 2024 Ministry Shares

Please discuss and vote on these items in your local church at a meeting of your Church Council (or its equivalent) then email your vote (to approve or disapprove for each document) to both Jodie and Liz by November 30, 2023.

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I continue to hold each of you, as well as your witnesses in your communities, in prayer.
Blessings,

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