It is an absolute honor to offer this very first President’s Report on behalf of the newly formed Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ. Thanks to all of you, we have begun a new chapter of ministry in the same ground-breaking spirit that brought our denomination together sixty-two years ago. As a ‘united and uniting’ church, we have already been seeing how much better we are together. The birth of this new conference has been buoyed up and shouldered by the leaders, staff, and boards of the three historic conferences. This entire journey has been a shared effort with everyone giving their best. To be able to gather together in Worcester is yet one more milestone in living out this call to be a shared prophetic voice for progressive Christianity.

‘What is God doing in our midst, and how might we faithfully respond?’ This has been the guiding question at the forefront of our work these past four years. Discerning together we have always sought to follow the Spirit’s promptings by working ‘together as one.’ There is a lot of love and justice in our three historic conferences and this cumulative mission and ministry is propelling us forward in incredible ways. The further we move beyond the old dusty silos of rugged independence, and stretch out with imaginative and innovative ministries, the more settled we become in this networked web of covenant partnerships.

The Board of Directors began this year’s work in February with an extended board retreat. It was a time to explore together the distinct cultures of our three conferences and envision what expressions this new unified conference might embody. We looked honestly at our strengths and weaknesses, fully aware that we were seeding the DNA of this new conference. Even though General Synod was months away, we worked hard to finalize and submit the official resolution to create this new conference. So often we create the map as we travel the territory.

In May we had a powerful ‘quad-board’ meeting with the three state conference boards and the new Southern New England Board of Directors. Since communication is so vitally important, especially in a venture of this size and scope, we made ample time to update one another on how our local churches and conferences were doing. This meeting marked both an ending as well as a new beginning as we began shifting more and more responsibilities to the new board.

The experience of the General Synod vote was powerful. To see all our past work come to fruition was incredibly exciting.

Yet it was also an important reminder of the vast privilege we all share. There are no other conferences that have the resources we do. Since the core of this vision to be ‘together as one’ involves strengthening and building covenant partnerships, the Board is committed to ensuring that we not just create a bigger three-state silo, but that we partner with other conferences in their ministries. It is important that any power and privilege we have as a new conference be used in solidarity with others rather than as power over them. The Board is grateful to all the delegates who faithfully served our historic state conferences, offered guidance, critiques, and suggestions to help make the General Synod experience the best it could be.

So much of the Board’s work has taken place through groups, task forces, and sub-committees that have met weekly or even semi-weekly. Board members have been reviewing documents, adjusting timelines, looking over financial statements, exploring proposals, and testing out governance policies. All this work has been steady and is still ongoing.

Given the massive array of tasks and duties ahead of us, the Board decided that we should have a formal ‘bridge’ period. This will be the time where we can begin to shift and change in a healthy and manageable way. While January 1, 2020 is when we ‘flip the switch’ to start the new conference, that’s not how it works on all levels. During this bridge period many of our staff and leadership positions will shift to be better aligned with our vision and mission. Staff and leaders will begin to shift from being geographically oriented to having specific portfolios of expertise. Our three current Conference Ministers have agreed to lead us through this bridge period, to help guide us in this journey. All three have agreed they will not be applying for the new executive leadership position. This ensures the new executive leader of the conference can cast an even bolder vision with many foundational structures already in place.

As we near January 1, 2020, we ask for your continued prayers and support. No one has done what we are seeking to do, and there is much work ahead of us. Sometimes we will get it right and other times we won’t. Yet in faith, we are responding to God’s call to do this new thing. Our faithful and talented staff will be continuing on as we make this transition to a fully unified budget, shared staffing, and new improved governance model so that we can continue to make God’s love and justice real in the world.

For the most up to date news, make sure to sign up for conference emails and watch for website posts.

Grace and Peace,
The Rev. Corey J. Sanderson
Update on the New Conference

On June 16, 2018, delegates from the Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island conferences voted overwhelmingly to form a new unified Conference. This Conference was approved by General Synod in 2019, and is expected to officially launch Jan. 1, 2020.

The Latest Updates

‘Southern New England Conference’ Recommended as New Name

The Together, As One Board of Directors recommended it be affirmed that the “Southern New England Conference” be the official name of the new conference when delegates from Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island come together Nov. 1 and 2, 2019, for their third Annual Meeting together. After conducting two surveys in which Southern New England was the hands-down favorite, and gathering feedback in a variety of other settings, board members said they felt convinced that Southern New England is the right choice going forward.

Synod Approves Replacing Three Southern New England Conferences With One

In June, delegates to the United Church of Christ’s national meeting overwhelmingly approved a request by its three conferences in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island to dissolve and join together to form a new conference. The vote was 601 to 90, with four delegates abstaining.

Transitional Realignment of Staff Planned

The staffs of the three Southern New England conferences will shift into a new, transitional structure for 2020, working together on teams aligned around their ministry and program areas rather than being separated by geography. The three current Conference Ministers will shift their roles and responsibilities so that they each oversee staff teams that are oriented around various aspects of the new conference’s Vision, Mission and Purpose Statement. The three have agreed to stay on for a bridge year while a search is conducted for a new leader for the unified conference.

For the latest updates and details on the new conference, see:
> macucc.org/ta1updates

“The Vision

Following Jesus’ call to discipleship, and bound by the covenant we share as siblings in Christ, we – the members of the United Church of Christ in southern New England – declare these values essential to our shared ministry together:

Making Disciples
We understand the local church exists to make disciples of Jesus and we welcome all people unconditionally to share in this calling.

Making God’s Love & Justice Real
We commit to making God’s love and justice real by loving our neighbors, children, and all of creation through our collective work, such as seeking racial, economic, environmental, and LGBTQ justice.

Agents of Change
We believe God calls us to bring new life as agents of change and so we embrace and encourage adaptive and transformative leadership wherever the Body of Christ is gathered.

Partnerships
We encourage local congregations and varied ministry settings, inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit, to form covenant partnerships with all who work for the common good in their local communities and throughout the world.

Because we have these values, we’re organizing ourselves as a Conference with staff, programs, initiatives, and resources to help the Conference as a whole, as well as its local churches and Associations express/manifest these values. Read on to learn about how we have been doing this already and how we plan to continue doing this together in the coming year.”

– Rev. Dr. Jonathan New, Associate Conference Minister, MA Conference
Making Disciples ...

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The four SNCC faith formation staff persons have been working with the historic MACUCC Faith Formation Ministry Team since June 2018 on a new iteration of our Christian Educator Certification Program now called Faith Formation Leadership Certificate Program, to be launched this fall. It combines the former CE Certification program with the former EEYM (Education for Effective Youth Ministry). The program is open to MA, RI, & CT as well as anyone outside the conferences since each class will be offered once onsite and once via Zoom. *More > [www.macucc.org/certification](http://www.macucc.org/certification)*

Together, these four leaders hosted two Faith Formation Summit gatherings attended by almost 90 faith formation practitioners and local church leaders. Each Southern New England state was represented in both events, which featured engaging TED style talks on formation and World Café style conversations on the priorities for formation in a time of change.

Embracing the Next Generation by Changing Intentionally

After participating in the Massachusetts Conference CrossRoads / New Beginnings program — which helps churches intentionally discern their path forward — Payson Park Church, UCC (Belmont, MA) came to a consensus that they could no longer wait for the next generation to suddenly love the church of the past and come to their doors. So they re-examined all parts of their congregation, called a new pastor, hired a new Youth & Community Outreach Minister, sponsored a refugee family, and became intentional in making children feel more essential in the church. Families appreciated the change, and membership, as well as pledges, have increased — reversing an historic downward trend. *More > [macucc.org/payson](http://macucc.org/payson)*

Growing Confirmation Classes by Relating to Youth

How does a church increase its confirmation class three fold in two years? Relationships — among the youth, the members, the deacons, and the community. Getting certain teens excited about an event will influence other teens in those social groups. It’s the same with adults. Wilton Congregational Church (CT) became fully engaged in its youth ministries and they believe this engagement, and the relationships being developed, are the reason for the growth. *More > [ctucc.org/wilton](http://ctucc.org/wilton)*

Taking a Fresh Look at the Community and Filling Their Needs

A struggling church stepped out of the building and found they were in the midst of a community where many people were struggling every day to put food on the table.... Where healthy food was way too expensive and the food that they could afford was full of stuff that doctors tell us to ‘limit’ in our diets. So, the Riverside Church (RI) congregation chose to start serving breakfast on Sundays before worship. That led to lunch for everyone after worship, and then a partnership with a food rescue organization, and ultimately their own food ministry program on the church premises. The members have found joy in serving the underserved, and worship attendance has increased five-fold. *More > [ricucc.org/lighthouse](http://ricucc.org/lighthouse)*
Silver Lake Conference Center — Where Lives Are Changed and Leaders are Nurtured

Silver Lake completed its 62nd summer of Outdoor Ministry in 2019, welcoming more than 900 campers to a week-long exploration of friends, fellowship, and faith. The seven weeks of summer camp offer 36 separate programs, all made possible by the tireless work of more than 275 volunteer deans, counselors, and chaplains. In addition, 47 paid summer staff members dedicated their summer to providing everyone who came to camp — children and youth, adult participants, families, and volunteers — with an experience of God’s love in creation.

UCC churches and other organizations gave $61,000 in sponsorship money to campers, and Silver Lake provided $32,000 in scholarship support. During the Retreat Season, Silver Lake hosted nearly 2,000 participants who came with church groups, school groups, and other groups to disconnect from modern life and reconnect with each other and with nature.

More > www.silverlakect.org

Thinking About Working For God is a program that offers youth a chance to consider their call to ministry. In 2019, six apprentices spent several weeks over the course of the spring in a variety of activities designed to foster leadership development. Youth had conversations with pastors and participated in church events. They planned and led elements of worship, both in the local church and at the CTUCC Youth Revival. They attended the Interfaith Exploration at Hartford Seminary. Using Zoom meetings, they were able to connect to each other to compare notes as well as hear from former apprentices.

More > ctucc.org/learn
Making God’s Love & Justice Real ...

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New Racial Justice Team Leader

A minister and social justice educator who has trained church leaders around the country on doing social justice ministry has been chosen to serve as the new Racial Justice Team leader for the Southern New England Conferences. Dr. Donique McIntosh, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, has served as an associate minister at several churches, has consulted with the Connecticut Conference on developing welcoming and affirming ministries and the national setting on the development of social justice curricula, and has served on the Justice and Witness Ministry Team of the Chicago Association.

More > ctucc.org/mcintosh

Racial Justice Opportunities for Clergy, Lay

Racial Justice resolutions adopted in 2018 require all CT and RI UCC clergy to regularly complete racial justice training. Such trainings, which are also open to lay people, are regularly offered in the three conferences through a variety of collaborative efforts.

More > Search “Racial Justice” on any of the three websites for more information.

Pilgrimage for Immigration Reform

In August, several Massachusetts Conference congregations marched with the Essex County Community Organization (ECCO) and attended a rally to denounce the racist immigration system that dehumanizes Muslims, uses black and brown bodies for profit, cages children, and causes death. During this pilgrimage from Boston to Dover, NH, they called on the presidential primary candidates to make immigration a centerpiece of their presidential platforms.

On June 15, supporters of Open and Affirming gathered from around the Massachusetts Conference to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the first-ever Open and Affirming resolution.

The Intersection of Faith and Politics

At a first-of-its-kind event, more than 30 people from 11 Connecticut Conference churches came to the Legislative Office Building to meet with three CTUCC legislators and talk over issues from environmental protection to gambling to economic justice and reproductive rights. This gathering was organized by CTUCC’s Legislative Advocate, Michele Mudrick. Mudrick advocates for policies in the state Legislature that reflect votes taken by Conference Annual Meetings.

More > ctucc.org/economicjustice
The Environment

UCCers Take Part in Global Climate Strike

One main focus of the Vision, Mission and Purpose statement for the newly forming Southern New England Conference is a commitment to "making God’s love and justice real by loving our neighbors, children, and all of creation through our collective work." People from across the three conferences did just that in September, supporting the youth-led Global Climate Strike in places all over the region. This image was captured from Facebook; find more by searching on Facebook or Twitter using the hashtags: #SNEUCC #ClimateStrike #FaithsForFuture StrikeWithUs.

The Northeast Environmental Justice Center

The Northeast Environmental Justice Center of the UCC, housed at Silver Lake Conference Center, CT, is a resource to the Northeast region on-site and with "on the road" programs. The EJC provides learning opportunities, transformative experiences, retreats, workshops, and leadership development to youth and adults, many of whom then sow those seeds in their communities. The goal: grow a movement of leaders who understand their role as stewards of the earth, who will help to create a just and sustainable future for all people, regardless of race, ethnicity or socio-economic status.

More > ctucc.org/ejc

Living Sanctuary in Connecticut

Malik Naveed bin Rehman and Zahida Altaf lived in sanctuary at The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme (CT) as they awaited the outcome of their legal case as it worked its way through a lengthy appeals process. After six months the couple was granted a stay of deportation while they await a ruling from the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals.

Sanctuary in Massachusetts Churches

In March, a Peruvian woman and her two children facing deportation entered sanctuary at Springfield’s South Congregational Church. First Church Amherst is now beginning year three of hosting Lucio Perez in sanctuary. In July, an LGBT asylum seeker at the border was released to Hadwen Park Congregational Church in Worcester, MA, which has an LGBT Asylum Task Force ministry. The Task Force continually gets asylum seekers from all over the world, and is expecting more from the border in the coming months.

Immigrant welcoming ministries continue, and they are long-term for some people and for churches involved in sanctuary ministry. As the list of families at unfair risk of deportation grows, many more houses of worship are considering this avenue of prophetic ministry.

The Massachusetts Conference Justice and Witness Council supports the work of all of our churches seeking to welcome the immigrant and protect the refugee. If you wish to support this ministry you can give to our Sanctuary Churches Fund. 100% of contributions made to the Sanctuary Churches Fund have been used to assist Massachusetts Conference churches with their direct support of individuals and families to whom they are providing sanctuary.

More > www.macucc.org/sanctuarychurchesfund
Agents of Change ...

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Super Saturday
Each spring and fall, there is a collaborative effort of the Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island conferences to hold a Super Saturday event – a full-day of skill building, networking and discussing best practices. Each event offers numerous workshops, a keynote address, worship, a marketplace of vendors and ideas and an opportunity for church leaders, both clergy and lay, to network with one another. The events began in 2010 to serve as supplements to the Massachusetts Conference’s Annual Meeting.

More > marucc.org/supersaturday

Grant Program for Innovative Ministries

Do the New grants, funded through an unrestricted bequest to the Connecticut Conference, support innovative ministries that uphold Conference values while pioneering new approaches that result in a new impact on the church or community. Awards are $5,000 to $15,000 per year, and include support for planning and leadership coaching. The New London Urban Outreach program, which features dinner parties where church members and guests break bread together, is the first recipient of the Connecticut Conference’s Do The New grant.

More > ctucc.org/dothenew

In 2018, 90 clergy and Conference staff attended the 310th General Association gathering for a deep dive look into how the church’s ancient gifts can be used to gather communities in new ways.

General Association is the longest running annual gathering of clergy in the country, and was held in Farmington, CT.
Facebook Live (and Recorded) Interviews

Connecticut Conference Minister
The Rev. Kent J. Siladi holds online conversations with church leaders about their ministries.

Some topics discussed this past year included: parish health ministry, Palestinian children, accessibility, online ministries, climate action, and the realities and perceptions around masculinity and privilege in our society.

>Recordings of those conversations can be seen at: ctucc.org/live-conversations

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Churches Alive Discernment Journey Helps Revitalize

What does it mean for a church to be healthy, faithful and effective in this changing landscape of ministry? That is the focus of the Massachusetts Conference Churches Alive program, which is designed to nurture and provoke the vitality of churches who want to deeply explore and discern their future. It helps churches look at its context and possibilities for mission and ministry, revitalize its ministries, and discern God’s Call for the next chapter of its life. Melrose Highlands Congregational Church, UCC (Massachusetts) felt their Churches Alive journey was a natural extension of the ways they are trying to be alive, vital, and purposeful and helped them grow their membership. As a result of participating in the Churches Alive program, the Congregational Church UCC of Weston will be collaborating with the Wellesley Village Congregational Church UCC.

More > macucc.org/melrosegrowth
Partnerships ...

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Interfaith Freedom and Justice Ride
Connecticut Conference Minister Kent Siladi joined a delegation of 37 Christians and Jews from Hartford who traveled to Alabama and participated in the Interfaith Freedom and Justice Ride 2019, retracing the steps of civil rights leaders. Over four days the participants visited historic sites, worshiped together at local churches and synagogues and participated in group discussions and learning opportunities.

> Read reflections from participants at: ctucc.org/selmatruth

$1M Grant Will Fund Together We Thrive Clergy Development Initiative
Lilly Grant results from collaboration among Southern New England UCC, Lutheran, and Episcopal organizations

The Massachusetts Conference has been awarded a $1 million grant for clergy development from Lilly Endowment Inc. The Connecticut and Rhode Island Conferences, the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts, and the New England Synod - ELCA Lutheran — in addition to the Massachusetts Conference — will benefit from the grant.

The Together We Thrive proposal was submitted under the Massachusetts Conference name, but was developed cooperatively by a team of people from each of the named organizations and will be used by them together.

Thriving in Ministry is a Lilly Endowment initiative that supports a variety of religious organizations across the nation as they create or strengthen programs that help pastors build relationships with experienced clergy who can serve as mentors and guide them through key leadership challenges in congregational ministry.

The grant will fund Together We Thrive for a five-year period, and is designed to give clergy the opportunities and support systems necessary for success in their ministries through the following programs: Tending the Fire, Expansion of Clergy Communities of Practice and New Clergy Groups, Clergy Affinity Groups, Clergy Coach Training, and Annual Colloquies.

More > marucc.org/thrive
What started as a program for the youth of the First Congregational Church UCC, in Dalton, Massachusetts, turned into a mission project for the whole community and an opportunity to show love to neighbors almost 600 miles away. By reaching out to the community, FCC Dalton broadened its ability to raise funds and created teams of diverse people. FCC Dalton plans the trip, but the neighboring churches— including Catholic, Nazarene, Methodist, Episcopal and other local Congregational churches— support the program by offering monies or sponsoring their youth.

More > macucc.org/daltonreach

Partnering with the Episcopal Church and the NRCCC to Help Get the Climate Crisis Word Out

MA Conference Missioner for Creation Care, Margaret Bullitt-Jonas (who serves both the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Conference UCC) has had several articles published about climate despair and spiritual sustenance, has preached about the climate crisis throughout many churches in Massachusetts and Connecticut, and has attended several interfaith climate events across the country in support of the Massachusetts Conference.

On behalf of National Religious Coalition on Creation Care (NRCCC), she helped to write Religious Declaration of Unprecedented Planetary Emergency, which was signed by prominent faith leaders and shared with the White House and members of Congress.

The Declaration amplifies statements that major denominations have already issued on climate change. Religious groups across the United States, including the National Council of Churches, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Central Conference of American Rabbis, National Association of Evangelicals, and the Standing Conference of Canonical Orthodox Bishops, have all called upon policymakers and elected officials to take strong action to address global climate change.

More > macucc.org/climate-emergency

Guilford Church Hosts Criminal Justice Conference

First Congregational Church of Guilford, CT, partnered with several different organizations involved in bringing about justice for current and former inmates to educate the community about their work. Judges, organization volunteers, a prison arts program manager, a founder of a sex worker and allies network, the Connecticut Women’s Consortium and other prison-related organizations gave presentations and answered questions. The event was well-attended by a mixture of parishioners from First Congregational, others involved in criminal justice work, and members of the general public.

More > ctucc.org/guilford

Announcement of Religious Declaration

Included in the group above: former MA Conference Minister and President Rev. Dr. Jim Antal, (4th from left) and MA Conference Missioner for Creation Care, Margaret Bullitt-Jonas (5th from left)

Photo credit: Robert A. Jonas
RESOURCES ANTICIPATED (NET OF OUTDOOR MINISTRIES): $5,033,500

- Total Income projected (net of outdoor ministries): $5,033,500
- Add Outdoor Ministries income: $2,183,000
- Total (ties to SNE Budget, rounded): $7,216,500
2020 Operating Expense Projected

PLANNED EXPENSES: $5,190,200

- Buildings & Equipment 4% $208,800
- Lay Development 9% $466,000
- Youth Ministries 5.6% $288,600
- Outdoor Ministries 3.3% $172,300
- Justice and Witness 8.7% $449,200
- Regional Ministries 29.5% $1,529,800
- Covenant Partnerships 1.2% $63,500
- Clergy Development 5.6% $292,500
- Church Development 4.7% $241,400
- Vision & Governance 11.4% $592,800
- Admin & Accountability 17% $885,300

- Expenses net of Outdoor Ministries amounts offset by income: $5,190,200
- Add Outdoor Ministries amounts offset by income: $2,183,000
- Total (ties to SNE Budget, rounded): $7,373,200
Proportional Giving

“When we each give proportionally to our local church, we do so out of generosity and joy. Why shouldn’t our churches model that same faithful stewardship with the conference that we ask of our very own people? Proportional giving ensures we can make an even greater impact in the world now and into the future.”
— Rev. Corey Sanderson, President of the Southern New England Conference

Leaders are asking churches to think in a new way about giving to the wider church: to share a percentage of income in proportion to their gifts from God.

The Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ (SNEUCC) is rooted in the firm conviction that we are called to “live the love and justice of Jesus.” At this important moment of our coming together the SNEUCC Board embraces Proportional Giving as the giving model for providing the resources that will equip our mission and ministry as disciples of Jesus.

The new Conference Board of Directors has approved a Proportional Giving approach to replace the current system, where churches are asked to give both to Our Church’s Wider Mission Basic Support and through membership dues (known as Fellowship Dues in Massachusetts and Rhode Island and Per Capita Contributions in Connecticut).

The SNEUCC is adopting this approach because it is faithful, covenantal, and aligned with our mission and core commitments.

Webinars and other opportunities are being offered to help local church leaders better understand and implement Proportional Giving.

Find the Board’s full statement, and information on how this will be implemented, at:
ctucc.org/proportionalgiving
macucc.org/proportionalgiving
ricucc.org/proportionalgiving

What is Proportional Giving?

Proportional giving is based on an understanding of generosity rooted in scripture. Our sacred texts remind us that all we have is a gift from God and they invite us to give joyfully in proportion to these gifts. The financial expression of proportional giving is sharing a percentage of income as a grateful response to what God has given us.

In the context of the new Southern New England Conference, Proportional Giving (PG) is a financial expression of covenant commitment by local churches to support the Conference and National UCC through sharing a percentage of local church income. It invites each of our churches to become faithful participants in a movement to make Southern New England a more just and loving part of the world.

PG gifts will be shared by the Conference with National UCC just as Our Church’s Wider Mission (OCWM) Basic Support have been shared previously. With the establishment of PG, OCWM Basic Support and Conference Membership Dues – called Fellowship dues in MA and RI and Per Capita Contributions in CT – are replaced by a single way of giving.

Total Income
(Included in the Proportional Giving Total Income calculation)

- Operating pledge receipts for the year
- Missions/Outreach pledge receipts for the year
- Plate offerings
- Investment income allocation for the year up to what the church’s spending policy permits
- Net rental income
- Net income from programs (e.g., a nursery school)
- Net fundraising income to general operating budget

*This would be the regular ‘draw’ on investment income per the church’s endowment policy. (For sustainability, SNEUCC recommends a draw of no more than 5% of market value averaged over 5 years using quarterly data.)

Exclusions
(Excluded from the Proportional Giving Total Income calculation)

- Capital Campaign contributions
- One-time donor-restricted gifts for a particular purpose other than general budget support
- Memorial gifts
- Requests
- Extraordinary use of endowment funds to balance the budget
- UCC Special Offerings (e.g., One Great Hour of Sharing)
- Disaster relief or other one-time mission giving
- Net income from fundraising for restricted purposes (e.g., new handbells)
- Income from one-time sale of assets (e.g., parsonage, communion silver)

*This means any amount used in excess of 5% of the market value of the endowment averaged over 5 years using quarterly data.
General Synod — A Coming Together

CT, MA, and RI sent 36 to Youth @ Synod in Milwaukee as part of the Southern New England Conferences delegation.

Together: Southern New England Conferences

- 119,980 Members
- 1,653 Authorized Ministers
Do we have the latest information about your church leadership?

Be sure to have your church administrator – or whoever has access to your church’s email - visit the Church Dashboard at macucc.org/dashboard to submit the contact information for your church’s leaders. That allows us to get important resources into the hands of those who need them most.

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