

Standing Committees

General Policies

Standing committees are accountable to the delegates through the Leadership Council. Standing committees provide annual reports of their work to the Leadership Council, which forwards the reports to delegates.

Except as noted, all terms are for two years, with a maximum of three consecutive terms per Committee. Exceptions to the six-year limit are at the discretion of the Leadership Council. For the purpose of continuity, terms should be staggered. Appointments are made by the Conference Assembly upon the recommendation of the Gifts Discernment Committee. Standing committees are accountable to the Leadership Council.

Spending plan requests for standing ministries are made by the Leadership Council. Expenses of these ministries are monitored and approved by the Stewardship Committee.

Program Committee

1. Membership

The Program Committee is chaired by the staff member working with program and up to five additional members.

2. Purpose

The Program Committee exists to develop the programs that support congregations and pastors. The Program Committee plans Conference Assemblies as well as other programs throughout the year with direction from the Leadership Council.

3. Relationship to:

Leadership Council — The Program Committee is represented on the Leadership Council by the staff member working with program.

4. Functions:

- a. Respond to congregational program needs brought by congregations, staff and others.
- b. Develop programs guided by the focus areas of the Conference.
- c. Conduct studies and surveys to help discern program needs (as appropriate).
- d. Create Ad Hoc Teams to correspond to needs and assist in locating resources needed to conduct programs.
- e. Evaluate programs upon their completion.