

**Report to the General Synod of the United Church of Christ  
May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
Credentials Committee**

The Credentials Committee met on March 30<sup>th</sup> and on April 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss and review the Conference Delegate registration.

The total allotted number of General Synod Conference delegates is currently 675 and 579 General Synod delegates were registered at the time of the committee's final review.

The Credentials Committee declared the Delegation-As-A-Whole to be in substantial compliance with the requirements of UCC Bylaw 195, which pertains to the makeup of Conference delegations at General Synod, as a result of the following:

- (1) The Delegation-As-A-Whole is comprised of 49% lay persons.
- (2) The Delegation-As-A-Whole reflects the UCC's commitment to be representative of people of diverse races and ethnicities, with 25% of the delegation from racial and ethnic backgrounds other than white.
- (3) The Delegation-As-A-Whole reflects the UCC's commitment to be representative of diverse genders and gender expressions, with 61% of the delegation identifying as women, and 5% identifying as nonbinary, or gender fluid.
- (4) The Delegation-As-A-Whole is comprised of 13% youth and young adults. The Conferences of the United Church of Christ have made a good-faith effort to meet the Bylaws requirement of having at least 20% of its delegates under the age of 30.

Respectfully Submitted, Janese Murray, Chair, General Synod Credentials Committee