

## **Discernment Communication (#2)**

### **GMC is Launched**

In October 2016, the Wesleyan Covenant Association (WCA), a United Methodist Church (UMC) caucus group, was formed as a result of a growing theological and administrative divide in the (UMC). As discussions over the differing beliefs continued, it was evident that a path forward as a single, united church would not be possible. As a result of these growing differences, WCA, Confessing Movement, Good News, UM Action, and others, formed a new expression of Methodism, the Global Methodist Church (GMC) which was launched on May 1, 2022.

### **What is the Global Methodist Church?**

The GMC is a church committed to making disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly. The Global Methodist Church is committed to being filled with warm-hearted, Jesus loving, and Holy Spirit-inspired people.

They are grounded in Scripture and the life giving confessions of the Christian faith found in Apostles' Creed <https://www.ccel.org/creeds/apostles.creed.html> and Nicene Creed <https://www.ccel.org/creeds/nicene.creed.html>

### **What are the core beliefs of the GMC?**

That the one God – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit – has created all things; that Jesus Christ, through the power of his cross and Resurrection, is the Lord and Savior of all the world; and that the Holy Spirit empowers the people of his church to worship and praise God and to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world in word and deed. *(For a full accounting of the church's core beliefs see its Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline, on its web site, pages 4–19.)*

Over the next few Sundays, the Discernment Communication bulletin insert will feature a “comparison chart” between the current United Methodist Church and the Global Methodist Church. Please feel free to contact members of the Discernment Committee with any questions you may have.

For more information on the Global Methodist Church Mission click here <https://globalmethodist.org/about/>

Ten Reasons Why to join the Global Methodist Church

<https://wesleyan covenant.org/2022/07/06/ten-reasons-why-ill-join-the-global-methodist-church//>