

FUMC WP Congregational Survey Results, July 16, 2023		
Number of Surveys Distributed	407	
Number of Surveys Counted	195	
Percentage	48%	
How long have you been attending First United Methodist Church, West Point?		
	# Responses	Percentage
Less than one year	1	1%
1 - 5 years	10	5%
6 - 9 years	22	11%
10 - 19 years	33	17%
20+ years	129	66%
TOTAL RESPONSES	195	100%
How often do you attend (on campus or virtually) the Sunday morning worship services at FUMC WP?		
	# Responses	Percentage
3 - 4 times a month	132	68%
2 times a month	30	16%
Monthly	11	6%
Quarterly	4	2%
Less than quarterly	16	8%
TOTAL RESPONSES	193	100%
No Response	2	
In which areas are you consistently and frequently involved at FUMC WP?		
Choose all that apply.		
	# Responses	
Sunday School/small groups	95	
Sunday Morning Worship	151	
Volunteer (e.g., usher, greeter, Sunday School teacher, etc.)	89	
Leadership (e.g., committees, administrative council, staff, etc.)	71	
No Response	15	
Are you a member of FUMC WP?		
	# Responses	Percentage
Yes	192	98%
No	3	2%
TOTAL RESPONSES	195	100%
With whom do you feel the MOST connected at FUMC WP?		
Choose only one response.		
	# Responses	Percentage
Members of my small group or Sunday School	33	19%
Friends/Family who attend the church	124	71%
People in the ministry area in which I serve	2	1%
A pastor or staff member	5	3%
I do not feel connected to anyone	4	2%
I don't know	6	3%
TOTAL RESPONSES	174	100%
No Response	21	
Of the following options, what MOST influences your current attendance/ membership in this UMC? Choose only one response.		
	# Responses	Percentage
Personal relationships or family history	102	54%
Clergy and staff	9	5%
Traditional Methodist theology and practice	53	28%
Progressive Methodist theology and practice	0	0%
FUMC WP's affiliation with the UMC	20	11%
I don't know	4	2%
TOTAL RESPONSES	188	100%
No Response	7	

Current UMC policy does not allow Annual Conferences to ordain gay and lesbian persons nor allow United Methodist churches to hold same-sex weddings. Which of the following best describes your view of the current policy?	# Responses	Percentage
I strongly support the current policy	127	66%
I somewhat support the current policy	14	7%
I somewhat disagree with the current policy	21	11%
I strongly disagree with the current policy	18	9%
I haven't decided my views on the current policy	11	6%
TOTAL RESPONSES	191	100%
No Response	4	
If the current United Methodist policy were changed to allow Annual Conferences to ordain gay or lesbian persons and local churches to hold same-sex weddings, how would you most likely respond to your local church having gay or lesbian clergy or holding same-sex weddings?	# Responses	Percentage
I would strongly object and would withdraw my support and presence if my local church had gay or lesbian clergy or same-sex weddings.	122	66%
I would somewhat object and might withdraw my support and presence if my local church had gay or lesbian clergy or same-sex weddings.	10	5%
I would somewhat approve and might withdraw my support and presence if my local church were not willing to have gay or lesbian clergy or same-sex weddings.	15	8%
I would strongly approve and would likely withdraw my support and presence if my local church were not willing to have gay or lesbian clergy or same-sex weddings.	16	9%
I don't know how I would respond to my local church having gay or lesbian clergy or holding same-sex weddings	21	11%
TOTAL RESPONSES	184	100%
No Response	11	
Which statement BEST describes your support for the denominational affiliation of FUMC WP? Please carefully read each option and choose only one response.	# Responses	Percentage
Remain a United Methodist denomination	77	40%
Disaffiliate from the United Methodist denomination to affiliate with a new Methodist denomination	89	47%
Disaffiliate from the United Methodist denomination and become an independent congregation (no denominational affiliation)	11	6%
I equally support any of the above decisions	3	2%
I do not know what decision I would most strongly support	11	6%
TOTAL RESPONSES	191	100%
No Response	3	
What is your age?	# Responses	Percentage
Under 18	4	2%
18 - 24	1	1%
25 - 39	26	13%
40 - 49	20	10%
50 - 59	22	11%
60 - 69	39	20%
70+	81	42%
TOTAL RESPONSES	193	100%
No Response	2	