

Pilgrimage United Church of Christ Strategic Planning

On Sunday, January 29th, Pilgrimage United Church of Christ held our Annual Congregational Meeting to present Council's proposed 2023 Mission Spending Plan for Pilgrimage UCC and to discuss the new PUCC Vision Statement.

How PUCC Strategic Planning Originated

On September 10, October 2, and October 3, 2022, members of Pilgrimage United Church of Christ met to start the process of strategic planning. When we think about who we want to be in the future, we know that we want mission work, charity, and social justice to be our priority.

Pilgrimage has a diverse, generous, and caring congregation. This work should be prioritized in our local community and then in the broader communities around us. In order to grow our membership, we should have a clear identity which we market in a variety of platforms including social media. As a congregation, we believe our Christian education and community building is also essential to our growth. We want to see our children, youth, and adult ministries grow and flourish.

With the values identified in our sessions, Council began the process of drafting a "vision statement" keeping in mind that this statement will direct our work as a faith community over the next three to five years. Council drafted three objectives and sent out a survey requiring feedback from the members of our congregation.

Their responses were presented during the Congregational Meeting on January 29th which led to an enthusiastic discussion. As a result, a fourth option was established, and this 4th choice was the statement the majority of the members (who attended in person and on line) approved for our new PUCC Vision Statement.

*We are an open and affirming faith community
living out Christ's love through acceptance,
learning, service, and action.*

Thank you to our members and Council, because we are on the right track to begin strategic planning and make sure future decisions are aligned to our beliefs as a Christ-centered faith community.