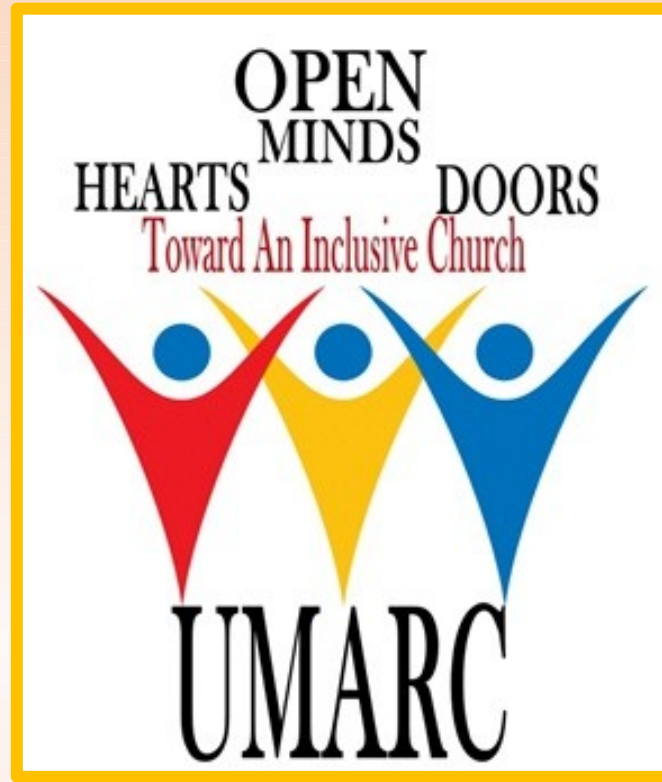


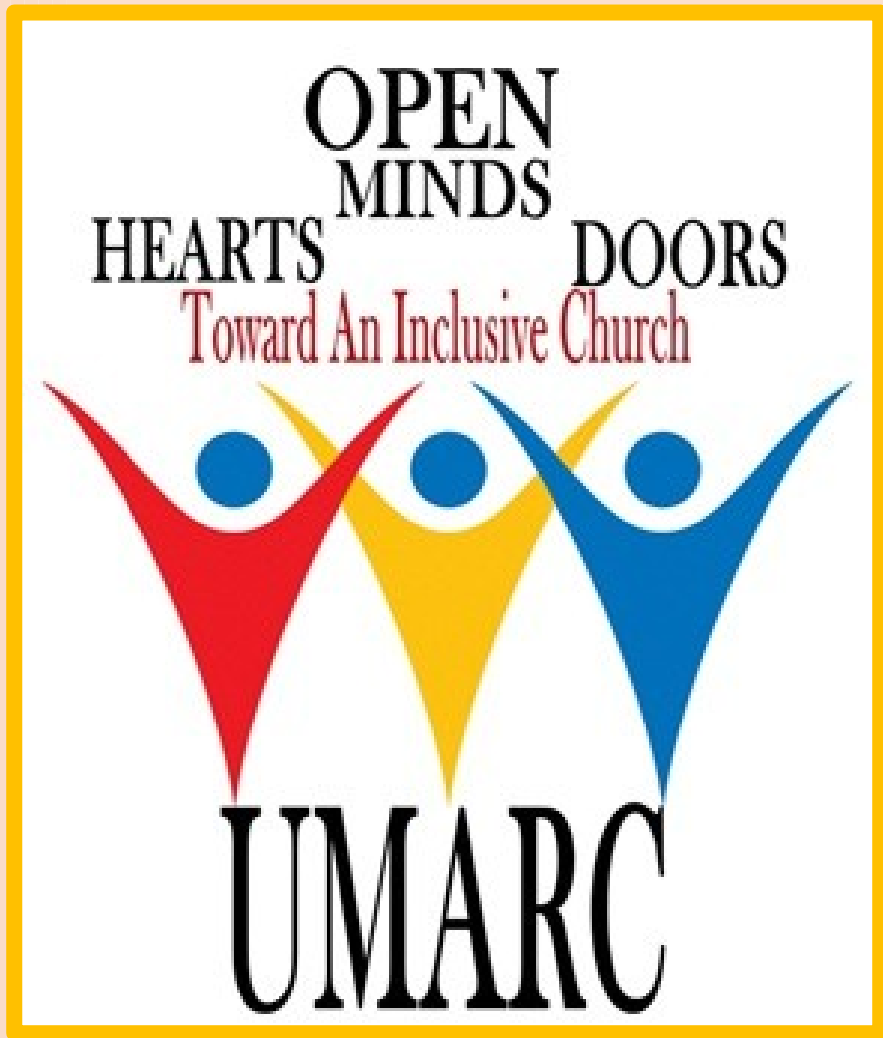
Mountain Sky Area, *Bishop Karen Oliveto*



Statement of Purpose

The Association of
United Methodist Retired Clergy
of The Mountain Sky Area
believe in and strongly affirm
an **INCLUSIVE UNITED** Methodist Church





**The Association of
United Methodist Retired Clergy
have unanimously adopted
FOUR GOALS for an inclusive
United Methodist Church**

1.
OUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT
of our duly nominated,
elected, consecrated,
and assigned

Bishop, Karen Oliveto,

and a call to others in the
church to cease their
harassment and abuse of our
spiritual episcopal leader.

Rev. Karen Oliveto makes history as the first member of the LGBTQ community to be openly elected as bishop in The United Methodist Church despite the ongoing policies of discrimination. The church cannot fence-out LGBTQ persons from the Welcome Table of Christ!

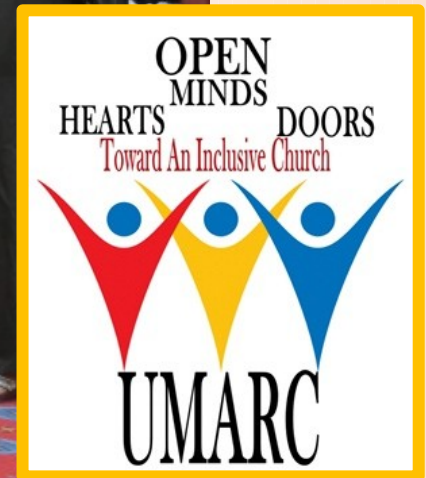


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OUR COMMITMENT to stand in solidarity with LGBTQ laity, clergy, and candidates for ministry, speaking and working to ensure the dignity and safety of all persons in church and society.

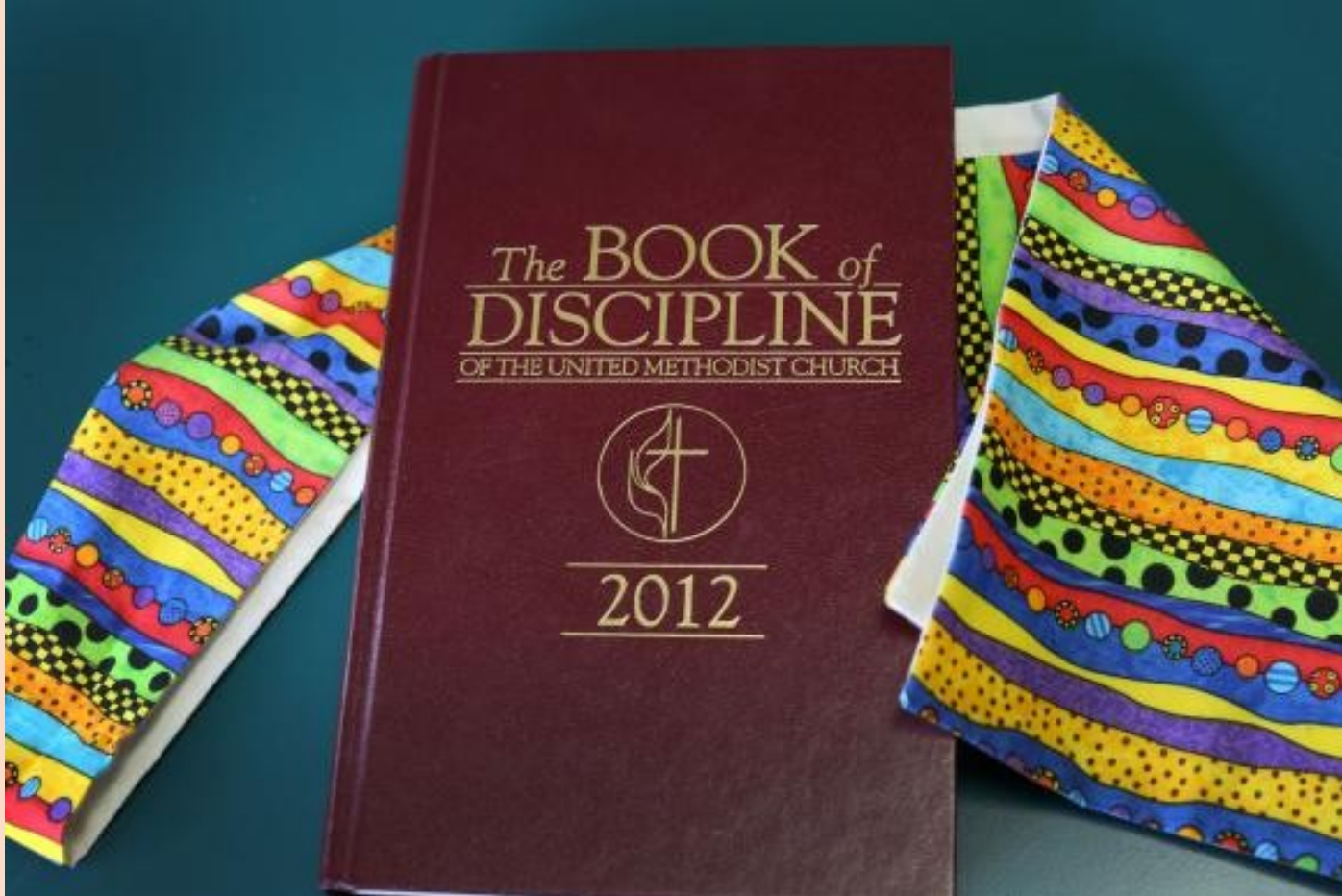


3.



OUR HOPE that the unity of the church will be attained, but not at the price of sacrificing God's inclusive love in Jesus Christ for all people.

4.



OUR PRAYER that the Commission on a Way Forward and the 2019 General Conference will respond to the Holy Spirit by developing a new church polity that will truly create the inclusive church envisioned in United Methodism's Constitution.

**May the enabling light
from the presence of God
bless our common goals.**



WE ARE ONE



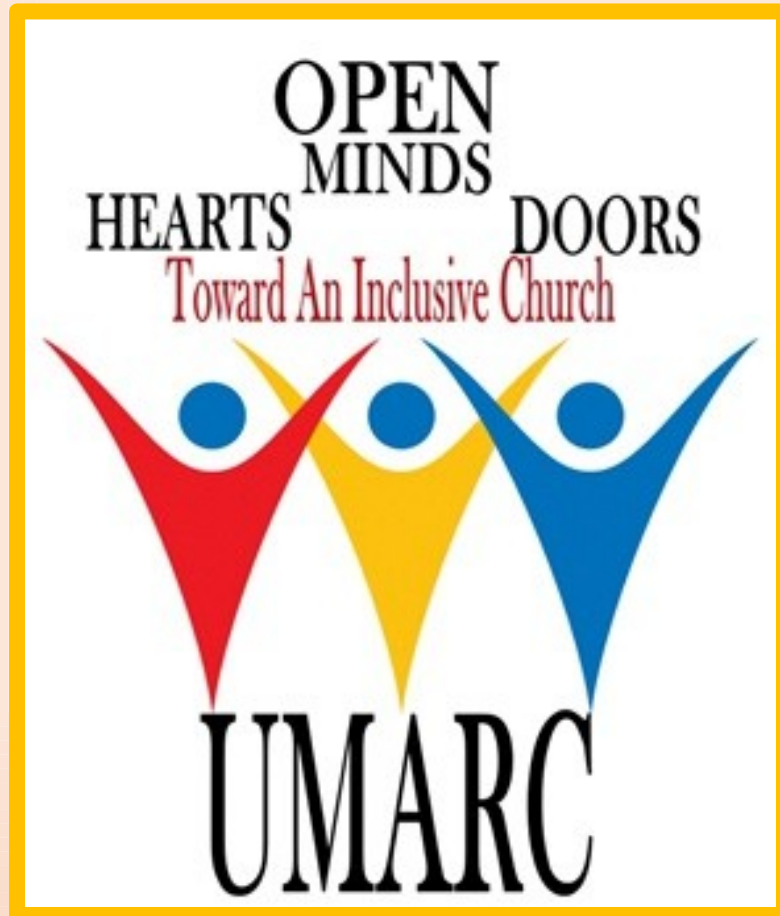
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United Methodist Church*