Online Voting Process

What to know before you register:

- 1. Only voting members will be allowed to participate in the sessions via Zoom video or dial-in. Credentials will be confirmed for each voting member upon submitting their registration. If you are not registered, you will not be able to vote or speak at the annual conference session but only view the annual conference session on YouTube.
- 2. Guests and visitors are invited to participate by watching the sessions live on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/c/EPAUMC. Guests and visitors should not pre-register.
- 3. If your household has two or more voting members, **you will need to register separately and use different devices** (phones, computers, or tablets) to participate and vote.
- 4. Each voting member can participate by using one device only. You cannot log in on both your phone and your computer, for example. It is essential that people in the same household use two different devices to access the webinar.
- 5. **Closed captions will be provided**. A professional closed captioning company will provide service to ensure the accuracy. You may turn on/off or change the font size if you are joining via PC or Mac.
- 6. If you are joining by push-button dial-in phone (not a smartphone app), you must call in using the same number you included in the registration so that your credentials can be matched and verified.
- 7. An email titled **"[WEBINAR LINK] 2022 EPA Annual Conference Virtual Session"** will be sent to you by Thursday, May 12. Be sure to check your junk mail if you do not receive this email by May 12 or within 24 hours after you register (if registering after May 12).

How to join the session

FOR MEMBERS WHO REGISTERED FOR ZOOM VIDEO SESSION

- 1. Open the email with the title "[WEBINAR LINK] 2022 EPA Annual Conference Virtual Session"
- 2. In the email, see where it states "Please click the link below to join the webinar" and click the link URL shown.

We strongly encourage all participants to **give yourself enough time to join the meeting before the session starts** so that you can ensure the technology and your internet connection work properly.

- → Please ensure that Zoom is already installed on your device and is up-to-date. This is very important as you may have issues voting or joining the Session if you do not have the latest version of Zoom. Even if your regular Zoom meeting works well, the Zoom webinar may not function properly if you do not have the latest version of Zoom.
- → Check your junk email folder first if you cannot locate the Confirmation email. If you are still unable to locate the email, contact Lindsey Cotman at <u>lcotman@epaumc.church</u>.

HOW DO I CHECK IF THE ZOOM ON MY DEVICE IS UP-TO-DATE?

- If you have a Zoom account, refer to Zoom support page to learn how to check for updates.
- If you do NOT have a Zoom account, uninstall Zoom, download the newest version of Zoom and re-install it.

FOR MEMBERS WHO REGISTERED FOR DIAL-IN

- 1. The dial-in info will be sent to you in the email titled "[WEBINAR LINK] 2022 EPA Annual Conference Virtual Session."
- 2. Use the dial-in number and enter Webinar ID and press the # key.
 - → Make sure that you are **calling in with the same number that you registered with**. Otherwise, you may be removed from the meeting without notice.

HAVING TECHNICAL ISSUES WITH JOINING THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE?

TEXT (Do NOT Call) 610-715-7784 with your name and the issue you are having (e.g., "John Smith, can't locate confirmation email")

The number is active ONLY during the Session.

Voting process during legislation session

- 1. Bishop invites participants to click "Raise hand" to cast a vote
- 2. Participants vote by clicking "Raise Hand" or pressing *9
- 3. Bishop announces the result of the vote
- 4. All votes are cleared for the next voting
 - \rightarrow During voting, there will be a slide indicating that voting is in progress.

How to use "Raise Hand" feature on your device

FOR MEMBERS USING A COMPUTER (WINDOWS OR APPLE OPERATING SYSTEM):

- Hover your cursor to the bottom of the Zoom Webinar screen and find Raise Hand igsquare icon.
- Click on the Raise Hand only one time and it will change to "Lower Hand"
- Once you select the raised hand, there is nothing more you will need to do. Selecting or deselecting the hand feature again will eliminate your vote and it will not be counted.

FOR MEMBERS USING A SMARTPHONE OR TABLET:

• Tap the screen and find **Raise Hand** on the bottom of your screen.

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• Touch **Raise hand** and you're the hand icon will turn blue.

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• Once you have raised your hand, there is nothing more you will need to do.

FOR MEMBERS USING A PUSH-BUTTON PHONE AND THE ZOOM DIAL-IN

- Once Bishop announces the vote, press *9 to Raise Hand
 - → Please click "Raise Hand" only ONCE as clicking the icon twice will lower your hand and your vote will not be counted. You do not need to "Lower Hand" after the vote as Hands will be lowered all at once by the administrators.

More information about Raise Hand feature can be found on <u>Zoom website</u> or <u>https://support.zoom.</u> <u>us/hc/en-us/articles/205566129-Raising-your-hand-in-a-webinar</u>

CLOSED CAPTIONS FEATURE

You will see the closed captions upon joining the session.

• Join Zoom via computer

You will have the option to <u>turn off the captions</u> ("Hide Subtitles"), <u>view the</u> <u>transcript of the session</u> ("View Full Transcript") or <u>change the</u> <u>font size</u> ("Subtitle Settings") by using "Live Transcript" button at the bottom of your screen.

Hide Subtitle View Full Transcript Subtitle Settings... cc Live Transcript

• Join Zoom via smartphone or tablet app

You will have limited options when using a smartphone or table app. You will be able to view the closed captions of the session and view the transcript ("View Full Transcript") at the bottom of your screen, but you will not be able to turn off the closed captions.

*If you do NOT see the CC button, please update your Zoom app.

Speaking during legislation session

FOR MEMBERS ON ZOOM VIDEO

The Zoom **chat** function will be open during the legislation session and **may only be used for indicating you would like to speak** during the session. **Members who make remarks will be removed from Zoom and will be unable to rejoin the session.** This is because the chat feature is being used to facilitate the annual conference session.

You may only use the chat to request permission to make a speech for, a speech against, an amendment or other parliamentary procedure. To request to speak, type the number listed below.

Type 1 for a speech for legislation

Type **2** for a speech **against legislation**

Type **3** to **make an amendment or motion** and specify your motion. For example:

- 3 I would like to make an amendment on (specify the amendment)
 - 3 I would like to call the question

Type **4** to **raise a different parliamentary procedure**. For example:

- 4 I would like to make a point of order
- 4 I would like to refer the matter

Type **5** for **any other request** and specify your request. For example:

• 5 I would like to (add any other request)

Type ONLY the number for 1 and 2. For 3, 4, and 5 type the number FIRST and then **specify your amend-ment, parliamentary procedure, or request in its entirety**.

HOW TO REQUEST TO SPEAK ON ZOOM

- 1. Click Chat and open
- 2. Type the number from above in the **chat.**
- 3. Once Bishop invites you to speak, you will see a **message asking you to unmute**. Unmute your-self and begin speaking.

FOR MEMBERS ON ZOOM DIAL-IN

- 1. **Press *9** to request to speak.
- 2. When you are invited to speak, you will be able to unmute yourself by **pressing *6** and start speaking.
- 3. You will be muted once your speech is completed.
 - \rightarrow Your phone will be muted throughout the session.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Sheri Kentner at 610-715-7784 or skentner@epaumc.church.