## Immanuel United Church of Christ Darlington, WI.

## **Substitute Pastor Policy**

<u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of this policy is to set forth the procedure to follow if an Immanuel United Church of Christ (IUCC) member or non-member wishes to use IUCC for a certain service and wishes to have a pastor (or other individual) who is not the pastor of IUCC officiate the service. This policy is set forth to provide professional courtesy for the pastor of IUCC and to provide theological consistency for IUCC members.

<u>Scope:</u> This policy applies to any IUCC member or non-member who wishes to use the church for a service such as, but not limited to, a funeral, wedding, or baptism, and wishes to have a pastor (or other individual) other than the IUCC pastor officiate the service. The IUCC pastor is defined as the current pastor under contract at the time of the service and is either a settled pastor, interim pastor or pulpit supply pastor.

<u>Procedure:</u> Any IUCC member or non-member who wishes to have a pastor (or other individual) other than the IUCC pastor officiate any of the services listed above has the responsibility to contact the IUCC pastor requesting permission to do so. The individual(s) making the request should provide rationale for the request. The IUCC pastor has full authority to accept or deny the request. The IUCC pastor will co-officiate the service and has the full authority to coordinate and approve the details of co-officiating the service.

Approved Council Meeting on March 16, 2022 Revised and approved Council Meeting April 20,2022

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**Date Signed** 

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