

Canadian Shield Regional Council Self-Assessment Checklist Instructions

Purpose:

The self-assessment checklist has been developed to help communities of faith carry out the responsibility of performing an annual self-assessment. It is designed to update communities of faith regarding policies that are required by federal and provincial legislation, regional council and The United Church of Canada, and provide guidance on best practices for their life and mission. (Manual 2019 B2.1.1b)

Instructions:

- 1. The governing body of the community of faith is responsible for carrying out an annual self-assessment. The checklist serves as a guide for this process and can be downloaded from the website.
- The checklist is a guide to help communities of faith learn about the requirements and best practices for their ministry. If the review identifies specific policies or practices that are not currently in place, these can be identified as goals to be accomplished. A plan to complete a number of these goals each year until the checklist is complete could be created by the governing body.
- The governing body determines how this work will be done. For example specific parts of the checklist may be assigned to various committees, who will report back to the governing body.
- 4. Templates for policies and other resources are being prepared by the Support to Communities of Faith Commission to assist communities of faith. These will be available on the website or by contacting the Regional Minister for Support to Communities of Faith for your area. You can also contact them with questions regarding this process.

Once you have worked through the self-assessment checklist and indicated which items are complete, and which ones you will be working on in the coming year(s), please email a copy to the Regional Minister for Support to Communities of Faith, Melody Duncanson-Hales. mduncanson-hales@united-church.ca