

CONFERENCE FORUM

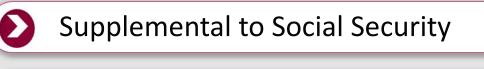
Retirement Plan Design Study



- Current and Historical Design Review
- Recognizing Challenges
- Plan Design Study Timeline and Milestones
- Breakout Discussion

### **Central Premise**

# Pension programs, personal savings and investment plans are the foundation for retirement security.



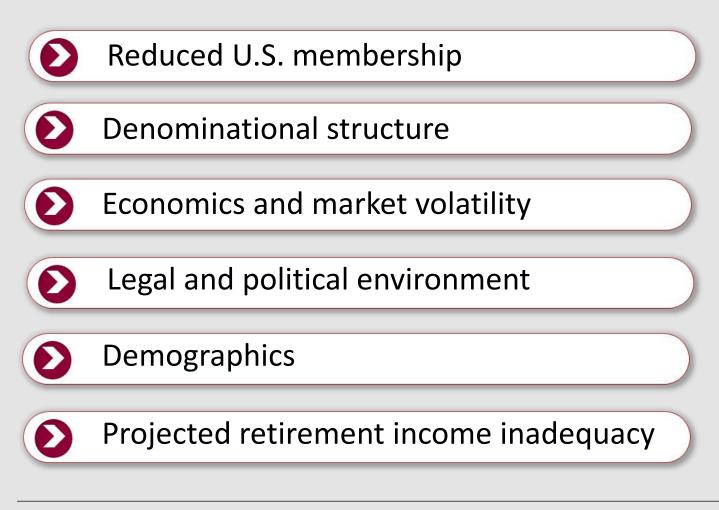
For minister and spouse

Provide equitable benefits

### Historical and Current Plan Design Summary

| Plan   | Design Summary  |
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| Pre-82 Plan<br>(Supplement One to CRSP)                                      | <ul> <li>Provides eligible clergy with a defined benefit for service prior to 1982. Benefit is the greater of:</li> <li>Defined Benefit Service Money (DBSM) annuity, or</li> <li>Years of service times pension rate</li> </ul>  |
| Ministerial Pension Plan (MPP)<br>(Supplement Three to CRSP)                 | Provides eligible clergy with a defined contribution amount for service from 1982 to 2006.<br>Account balance is 35% distributable/65% annuitized.  |
| Clergy Retirement Security Program<br>(CRSP)                                 | <ul> <li>Provides eligible clergy with a defined benefit and employer contribution for service from January 1, 2007 to the present</li> <li>DB = 1.25% x years of service from 2007 through 2013 x final DAC, plus 1% x years of credited service after 2013 x final DAC</li> <li>DC = 2% of compensation, plus 1% matching contribution</li> </ul> |
| Retirement Plan for General Agencies<br>(RPGA)                               | Provides eligible clergy and lay employees of general agencies with a mandatory employer contribution—8% of compensation, plus 2% matching contribution   |
| Global Episcopal Pension Program<br>(GEPP)                                   | <ul> <li>Provides defined benefit to eligible Central Conference bishops consecrated on or after May 3, 2008</li> <li>1.5% of final salary plus housing x years of service</li> <li>Bishops consecrated prior to May 3, 2008 receive a monthly benefit of 30% of final salary plus housing</li> </ul>   |
| United Methodist Personal Investment<br>Plan (UMPIP) and Horizon 401(k) Plan | Provides eligible clergy and lay employees with a defined contribution savings opportunity plus employer contributions depending on design  |

## **Recognizing Challenges**



### What Should We Do?

### **Current Design**

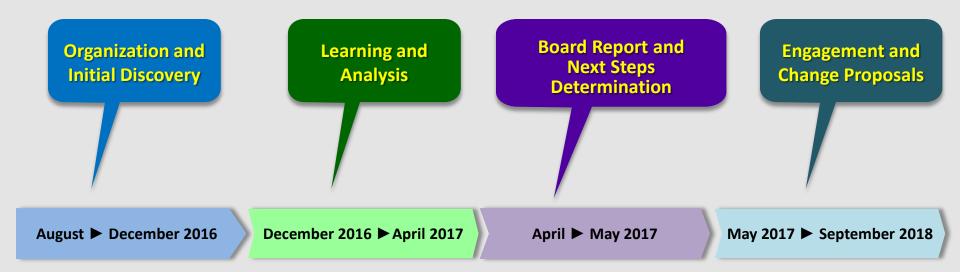
### Challenges

### The Ultimate Goal

"Wespath strives to create plan change proposals and decisions which are reasonably based on a balance between the common good of participants as a group and plan sponsors as a group."

Board Policy, Section I: Ends, Paragraph 1.1(d)

### **Study Phases and Timeline**



### Phase 1 Milestones

#### Organization and Initial Discovery August ► December 2016

Develop/refine strategic statement

Consult Willis Towers Watson

Brainstorm reasonable design changes

Collect data

### Phase 2 Milestones

#### Learning and Analysis December 2016 ► April 2017



Conduct participant survey

Benchmark



Gather stakeholder input

Assess stakeholder-specific impact

### Phase 3 Milestones

### Initial Board Report and Next Steps Determination

April ► May 2017



Determine impact of potential design changes



Report initial findings to Board

#### Determine next steps

### Phase 4 Milestones

#### Engagement and Change Proposals May 2017 ► September 2018



Deepen Phase 2 learnings and analysis



Narrow the universe of potential solutions



Engage stakeholders





### Questions?



### **Breakout Discussion**

What are the benefits of the current clergy plan design?

What are the burdens of the current clergy plan design?

Are there challenges we need to keep in mind beyond those listed on slide 5?

How would you define the ideal plan design of the future?

