



**The United Church
of Canada
General Council**

GC45 WF10: WOW02 Administration of Sacraments For Retired Diaconal Ministers for Summer 2025

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All discussion groups were in favour of this proposal.

On review with theology staff and legal counsel, it appears likely that this proposal would result in a change to the United Church's understanding of ministry (7.4.1.iii of the Basis of Union), which would require a remit.

Therefore, the Way Forward Team proposes:

That, in response to WOW02 Administration of Sacraments For Retired Diaconal Ministers the 45th General Council, 2025,

- **take no further action on WOW02 Administration of Sacraments For Retired Diaconal Ministers for Summer 2025**
- **strongly encourage regional councils to grant sacraments licenses to retired diaconal ministers**

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