



ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION REPORT First Miami Presbyterian Church | Miami

The Administrative Commission (AC) for First Miami Presbyterian Church was formed by the Presbytery of Tropical Florida at its meeting on August 24, 2019. The mandate of the Administrative Commission was as follows:

... grant that commission the power to assume original jurisdiction and all other necessary powers to consider and conclude matters related to the taxable status of the church, the on-going tax lien, the on-going accrual of ad valorem tax, the school, and any other matters of disorder or discord. The commission shall have the power to initiate or resolve any pending or future litigation...

Having carefully and prayerfully considered the information before it in light of the authority, roles, and responsibilities that the presbytery has entrusted to it, the Administrative Commission worked diligently for most of the year resolving legal challenges involving disorder and discord, so the church can move forward and focus on ministry.

In many ways, 2022 was not the church year we planned. Even so, First Miami welcomed new members and baptized babies by connecting through worship, studied the Bible together to grow through discipleship, proclaimed the Word and praised God with song. First Miami served through missions by reaching out to transform the lives of individuals in need and sought to grow in our love for Jesus Christ through care and love for one another. During this time of what we pray is the waning times of the pandemic, First Miami even began a new youth group.

The AC is in the process of creating accurate job descriptions for the committees of the church as well as for all employee and volunteer positions. The AC is also in the process of revision and re-formatting of the Policies & Procedures manual into which the above-mentioned job descriptions will be incorporated.

Knowing that a part of our call as Presbyterians is to seek reconciliation of the world, we commit ourselves to these issues of faith and life and look forward to continuing to celebrate the diversity that is the Body of Christ at First Miami. All glory and honor be to God!

In Christ,
Rev. David A. Grachek, Chair