

Policy on Compensation for Pulpit Supply during General Council 44

POLICY NAME: Policy on Compensation for Pulpit Supply during GC 44	Date: April 28, 2022
	Review date
Purpose: Remunerate pastoral charge for the cost of pulpit supply while their minister attends GC44	

Background

Historically, the General Council Office (GCO) has reimbursed pastoral charges for the cost of providing pulpit supply while their minister attends a meeting of the General Council. This is not being done for the virtual GC44. While the virtual GC44 does not require a minister who has been elected as a commissioner to travel, it does include four lengthy sessions on Sunday which either prevents the minister from delivering their Sunday worship services or places a significant burden on the minister to both deliver Sunday worship and fully participate in the GC44 sessions. When this happens, the pastoral charge may incur the cost of paying pulpit supply for up to four weeks beyond the norm. This is contrary to the previous spirit of the GCO recognizing the cost to a pastoral charge when its minister has been elected to serve the church as a General Council commissioner.

Policy

The Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council (EOORC) adopts a policy of remunerating a pastoral charge for an amount up to \$250 per Sunday to cover the cost of providing pulpit supply for the four (4) Sundays when its minister is attending GC44.

A pastoral charge wishing to receive such compensation will submit an invoice to the Treasurer of the EOORC, who will have been provided with the names that may apply.