



CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MICRO MATCHING GRANT FOR ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

As the churches of the South Carolina Conference are living in unprecedented times, the Congregational Development Team seeks to offer practical and timely support to help them stay connected with their communities and congregations while social distancing measures are a necessity. Congregational Development is offering a micro matching grant to help offset expenses related to launching and sustaining online worship services and presence (examples: equipment, software licenses, etc.).

If the total start-up investment needed is \$450 and the church or charge invests \$225, a grant of \$225 could be awarded. If the total start-up investment needed is \$1,000 or more and the church/charge invests \$500 or more, a grant of \$500 could be awarded.

PROCESS

- Church completes the attached application.
- If grant is approved, church completes the project.
 - Church submits receipts to Office of Congregational Development for reimbursement.

Grant application deadline: **July 31, 2020.**

Applications must be submitted by email to lhill@umcsc.org and copied to your pastor, Church Council chair, and lay leader.

Keep answers brief. Priority will be given to churches with a history of faithful payment of apportionments.

Contributions from churches and or individuals who would like to support this grant would be greatly appreciated. Please email lhill@umcsc.org for more information.



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APPLICATION: MICRO MATCHING GRANT FOR ONLINE WORSHIP

Application must be completed fully and emailed to the Office of Congregational Development at lhill@umcsc.org by July 31, 2020.

Name of church: _____ District: _____

Church address: _____

Pastor: _____ Email address: _____

Pastor's office phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Church Council chairperson: _____ Email address: _____

Lay leader: _____ Email address: _____

Explanation of plan and means of conducting online worship:
(e.g., live-streaming via Facebook Live or other platforms or pre-recorded)

Target audience: *(Is this only for your congregation? If for a broader audience, how are you designing online worship to speak to that audience? How will you engage the broader audience?)*

Budget for online worship strategy (itemize costs): *(e.g., equipment, licensing)*

Explanation of importance of the budgeted equipment, licensing, etc., for this strategy:

Where can we find your online service? *(paste a link to a recent service on Facebook or YouTube page or church website)*