

**Resolution to Close South Lawrence-St. Joseph United Methodist Church
Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference
Harpeth River District**

WHEREAS, the South Lawrence-St. Joseph United Methodist Church has had a long and proud history and has served God faithfully through the United Methodist Church for many years; and

WHEREAS, in recent years the congregation has experienced a decline in membership such that it is no longer feasible to keep the church operational as a church; and

WHEREAS, the district superintendent is committed to helping existing members transfer their membership to a congregation of their choosing;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Lawrence-St. Joseph United Methodist Church be closed effective June 15, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Conference Trustees be authorized to take possession of the property and make the determination of how the property may best be used for the kingdom of God. If it is determined by the Trustees that it is best that the property be sold, that they be authorized to sell the property, both real and personal, with proceeds to be used as directed by the Conference Trustees, consistent with the provisions of *The Book of Discipline*.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Allen Black
Harpeth River Superintendent