

## Agenda

- Let's Talk About Retirement
- 2023 Retirement Process
- Wespath Retirement Plans
- LifeStage Retirement Income
- **Housing Allowance Exclusion**
- **Participant Resources**









## **Common Thoughts About Retiring**

Is now the right time?

**Should I wait?** 

Am I ready...?

Is my spouse ready...?



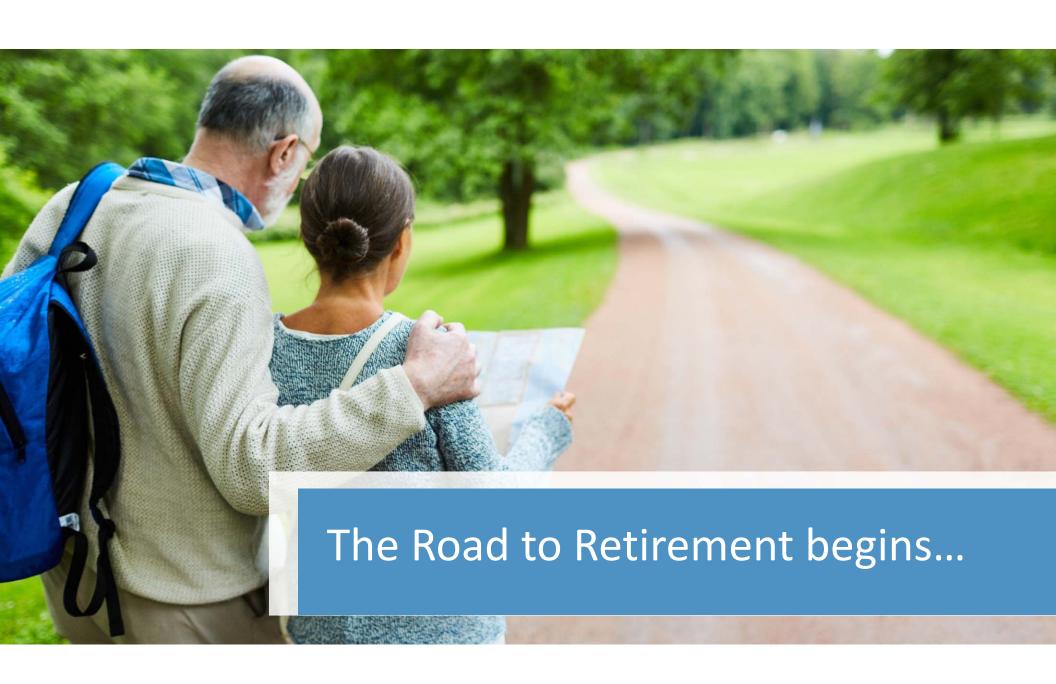
## **Common Thoughts About Retiring** (continued)

Will I have enough money?

Where will I live?

What will I do with my time?





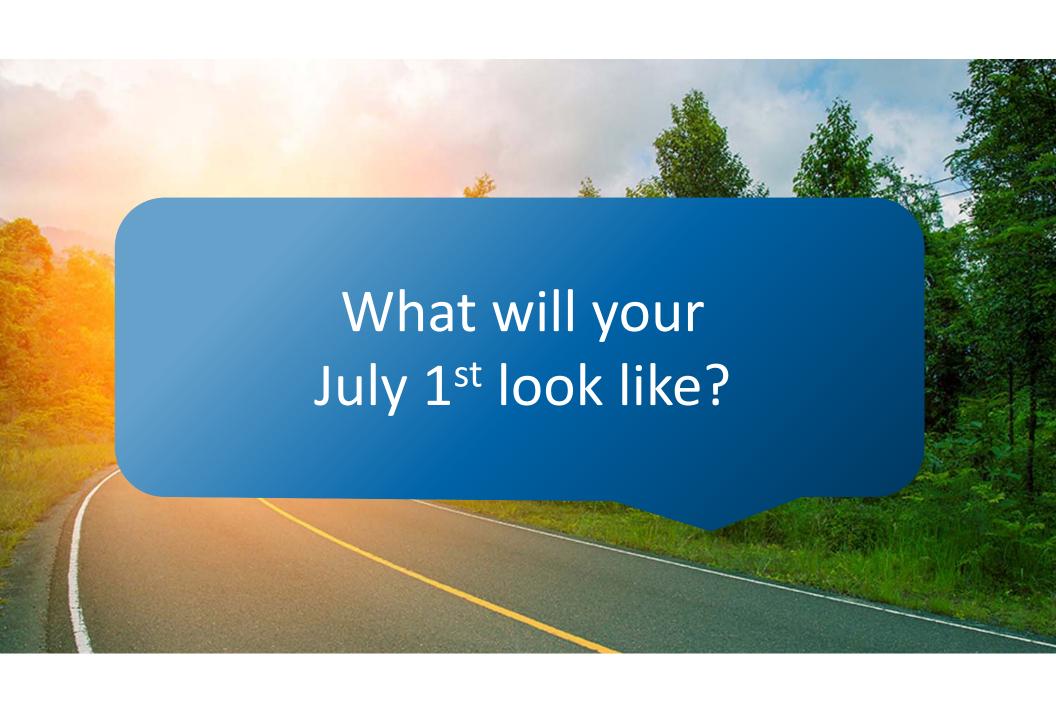
## **Questions to ask**

What are you packing for that road trip?

What will your July 1st look like?

What will your retirement look like?







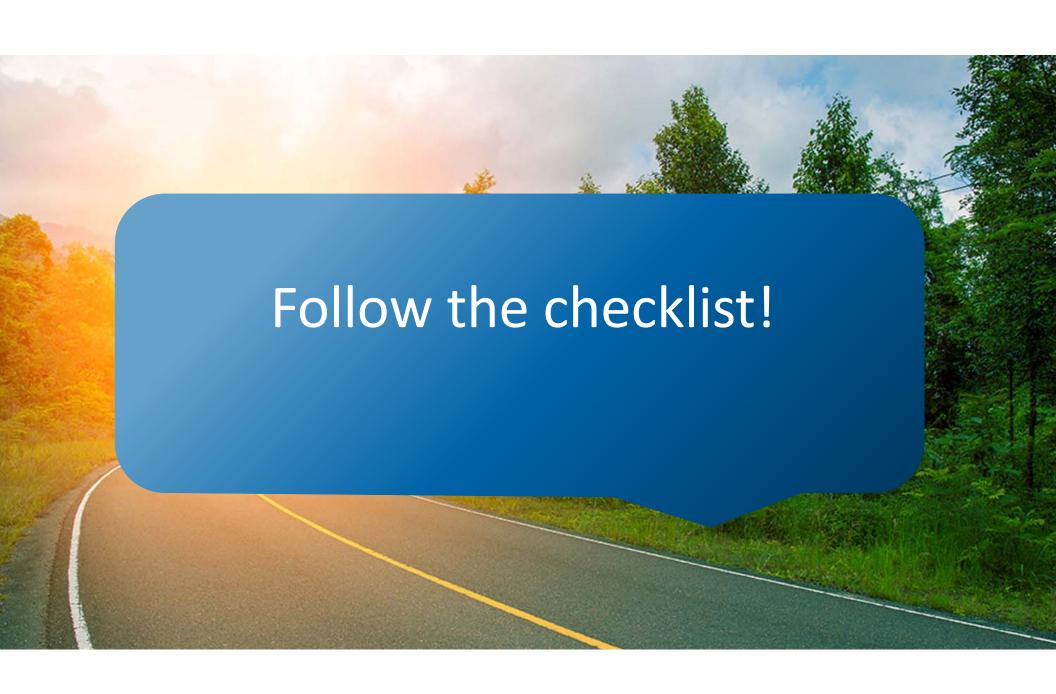
## **Provisions for Retirement— Book of Discipline ¶357**

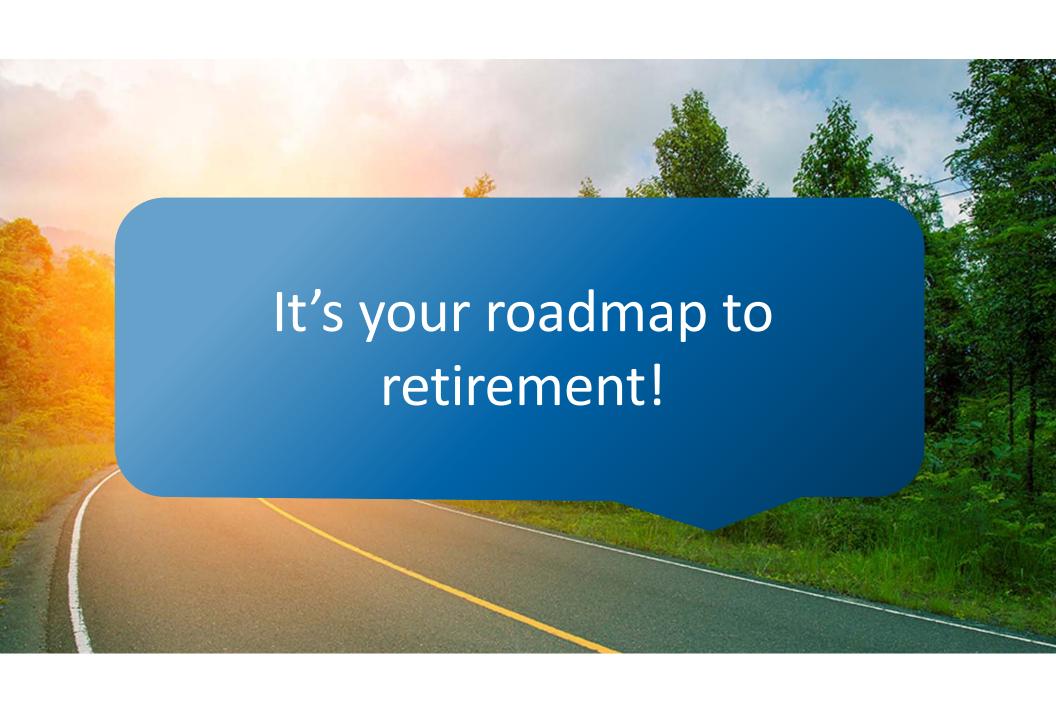
- **Normal Retirement:** Age 65 or 40 years of service
- Early Retirement: Age 62 or 30 years of service
- **Mandatory Retirement:** Age 72
- 20-year Retirement Voluntary with 20 years of service



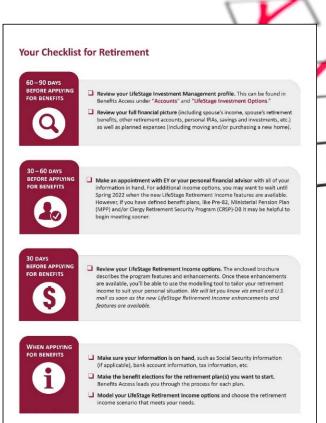




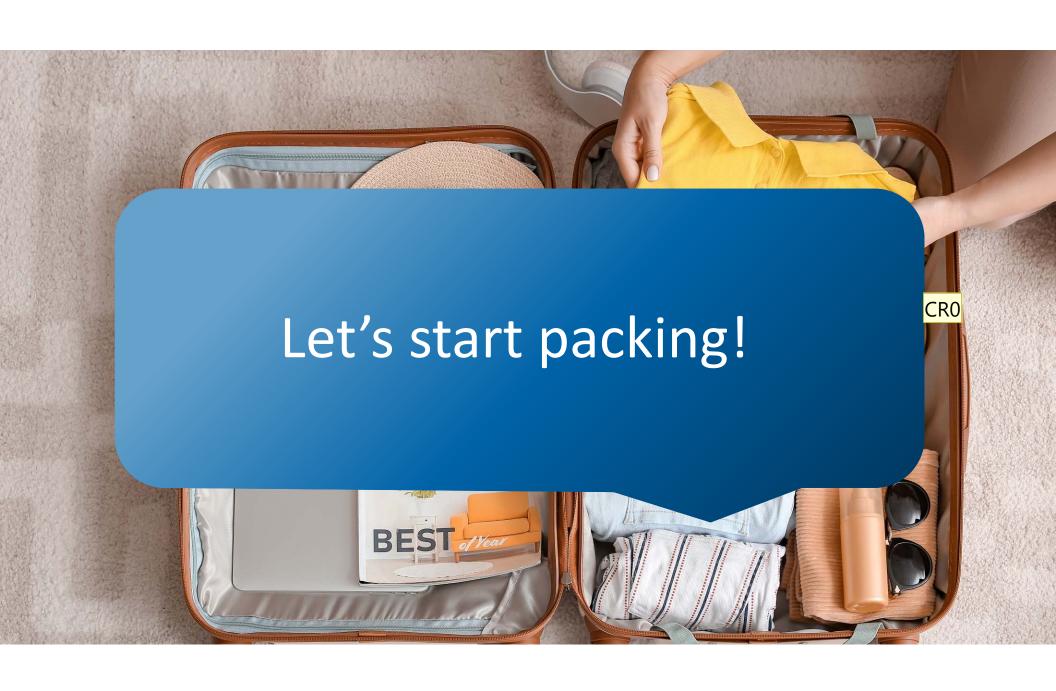












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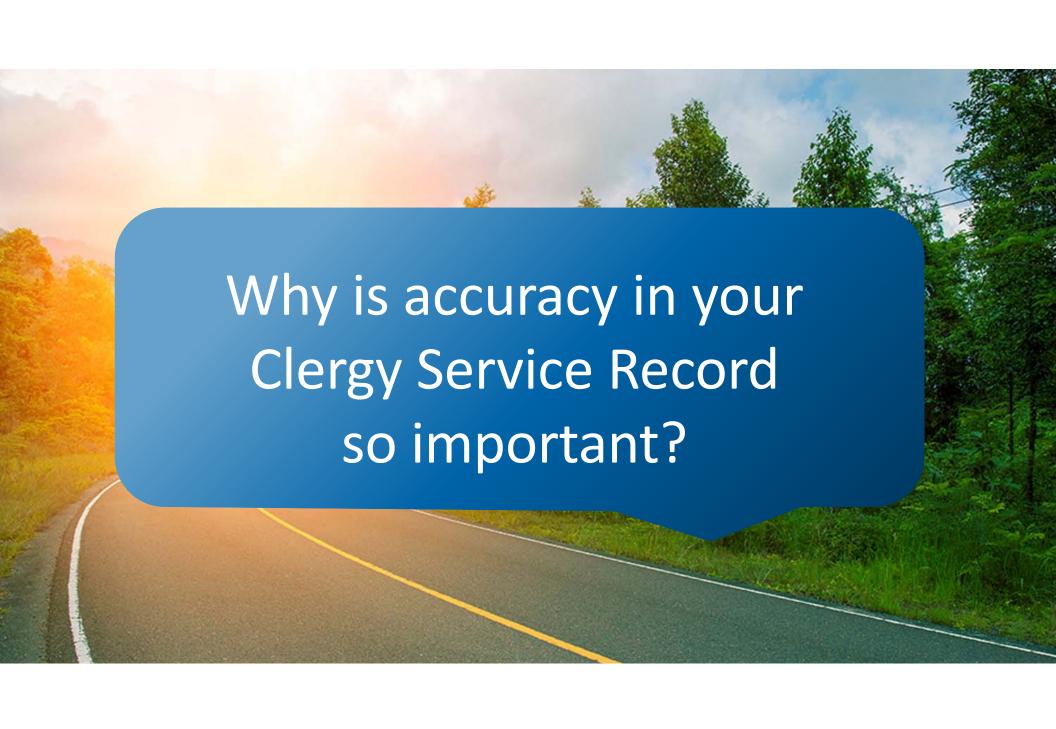
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Verify all your personal information

Verify your spouse's information is correct

**Verify your Clergy Service Record is correct** 

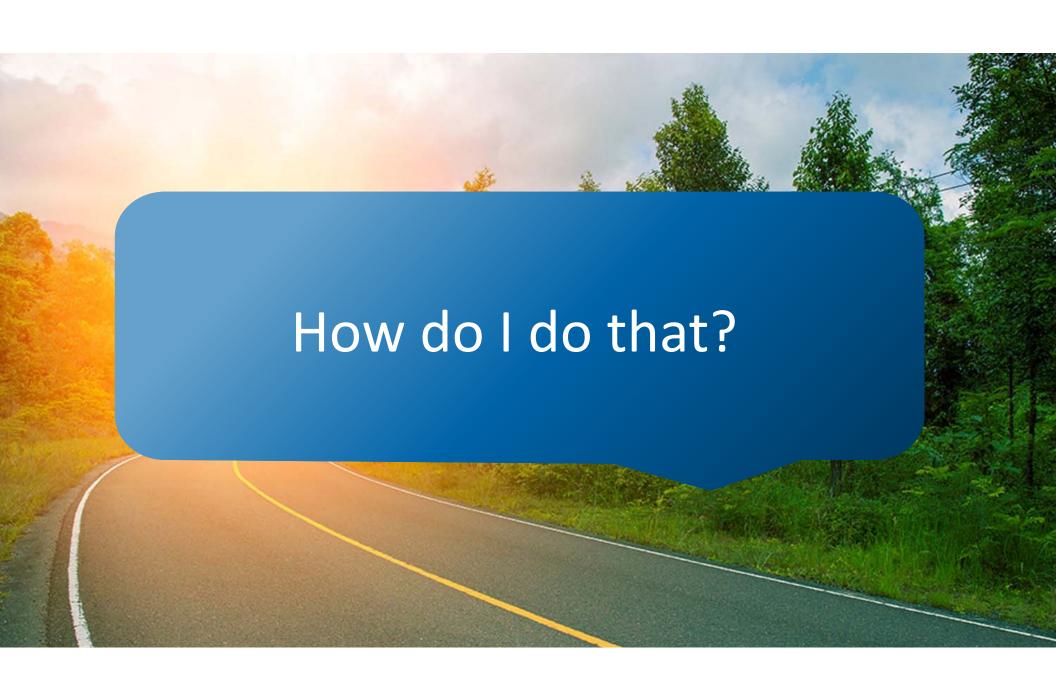




**Review and update your LifeStage Investment Management Profile** 

**Project your Retirement Income** 







#### **Benefits Access**

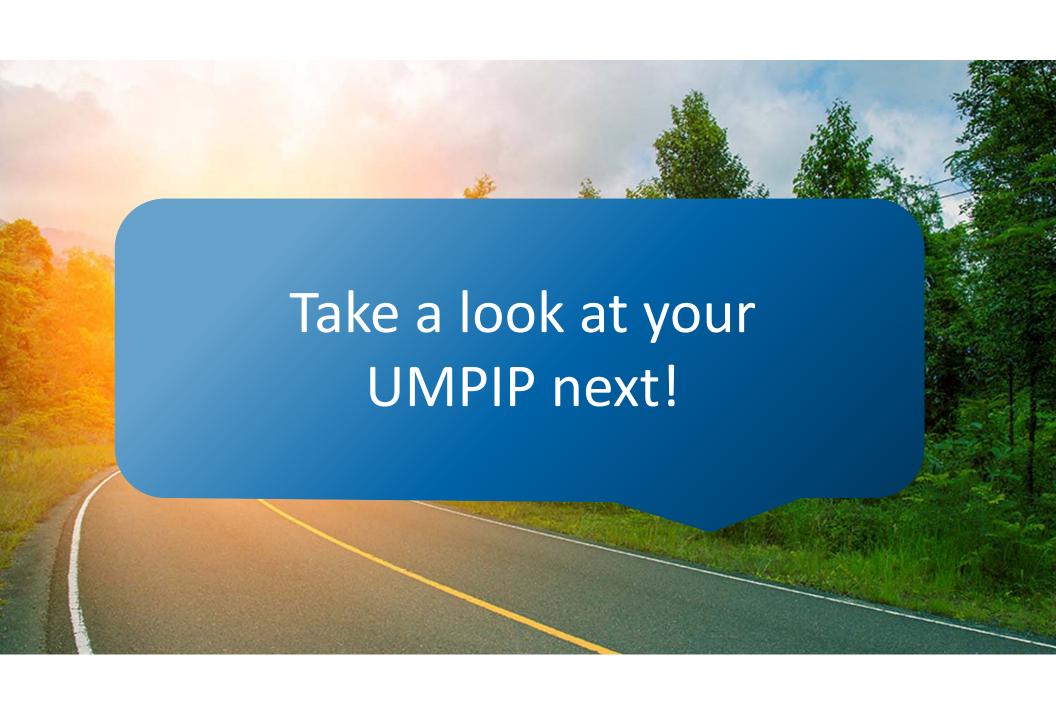
- Personal information
- Spouse's information
- Beneficiary designations
- Clergy Service Record
- LifeStage Profile
- **Benefit Projections**



# The Road to Retirement Goes Through Benefits Access

- 2023 retirement benefits applications will be completed in Benefits Access
- Easy to use
- simplified registration process
- Clergy should indicate elections no later than Friday, June 30, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., Central time but don't wait!





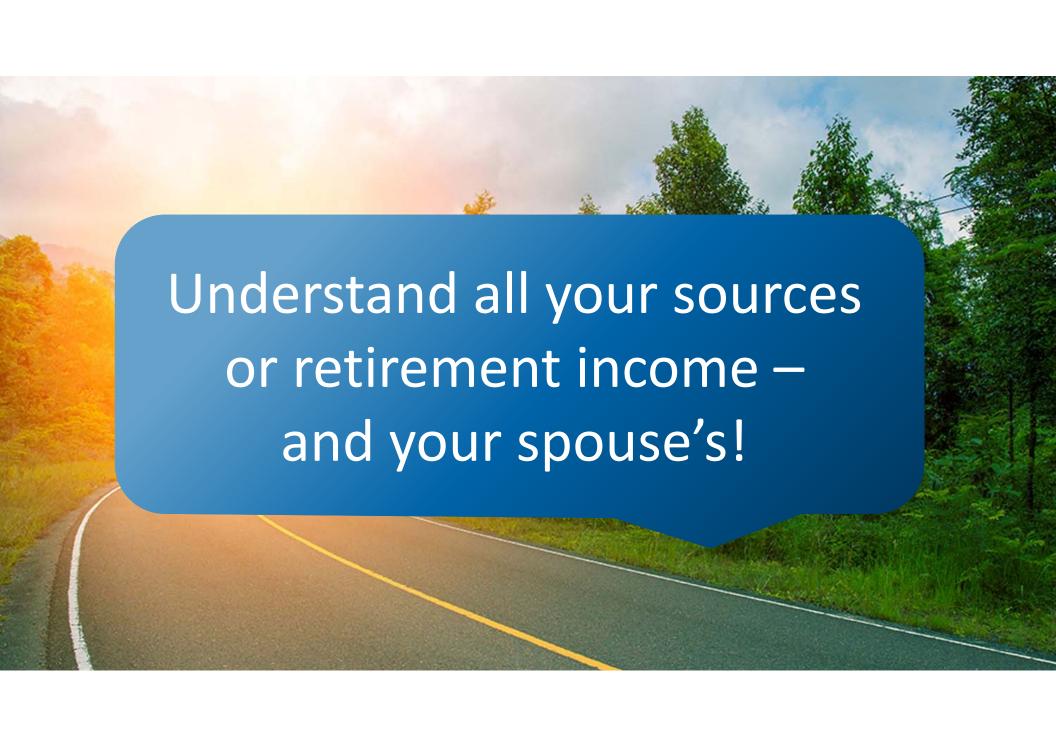
## **Retirement Savings**

What is your balance?

How much are you contributing?

When was the last time you changed this?





#### **Retirement Plans**

What about the other plans?

**Clergy Retirement Security Program** 

**Ministerial Pension Plan** 

Pre-82 Plan









### **Call the EY Financial Planner Line**

- Common reasons to call the planner line
  - How much can I afford for housing in retirement?
  - What will my income look like?
  - Should I choose a higher or lower COLA?
  - How should I secure a down payment for housing?
  - Should I use the loan feature or take a distribution?

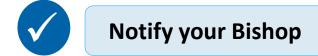




**Check in with your Annual Conference** 

THIS IS IMPORTANT.





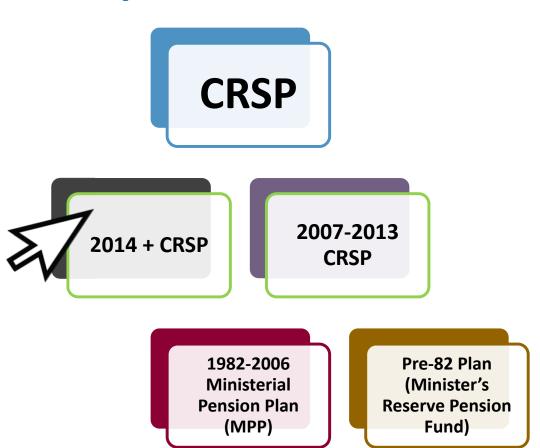






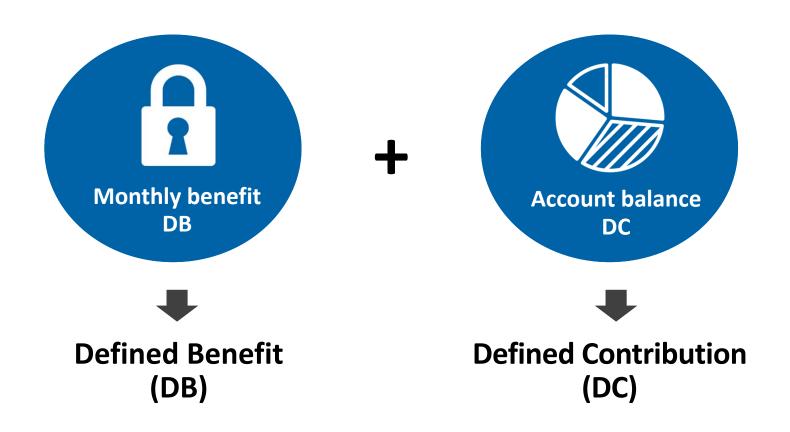


# **Wespath Retirement Plans**

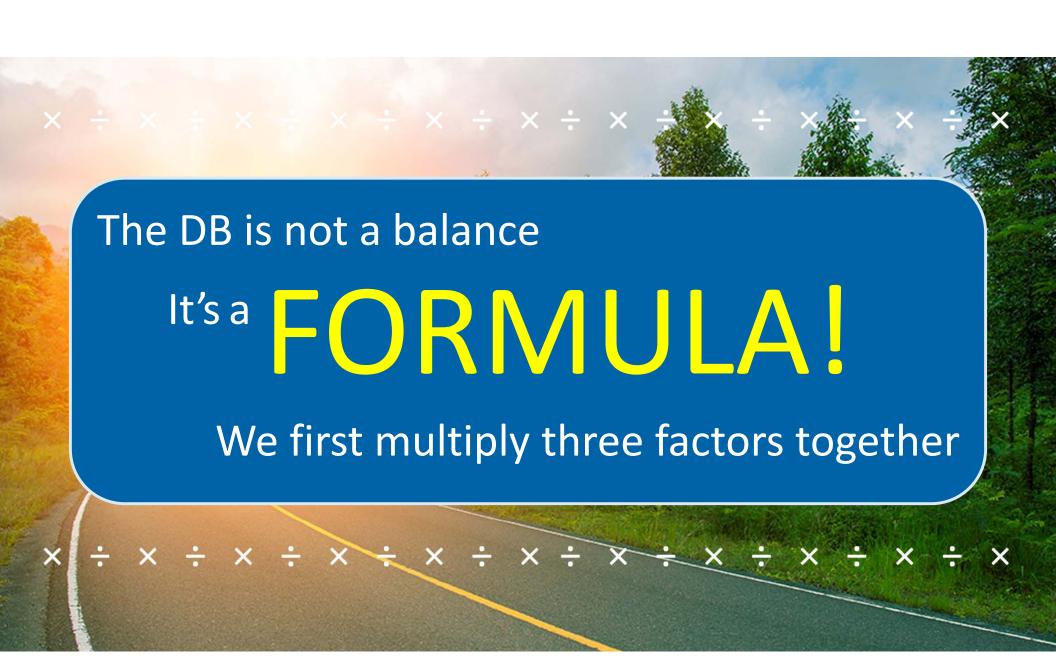




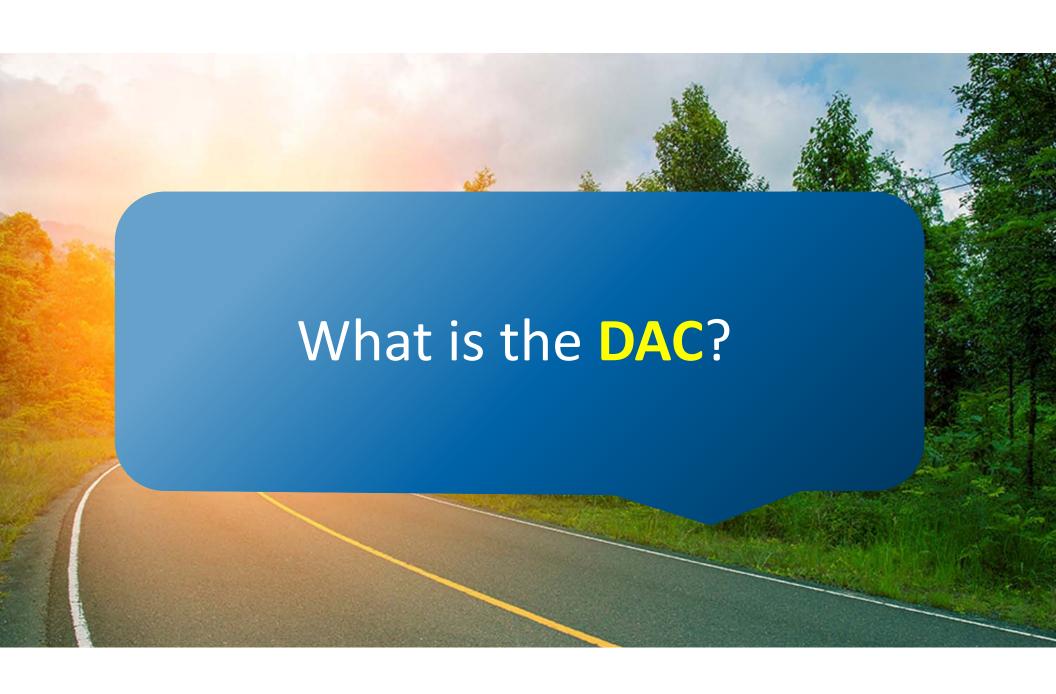
# **Clergy Retirement Security Program (CRSP)**











## **Denominational Average Compensation (DAC)**

Average Plan Compensation of clergy serving Full-Time appointments

2022: \$75,570

2023: \$76,221

2024: \$78,292







\$76,221 (2023 DAC)

- x .0125
- x 7 years
- = \$6,669
- ÷ 12
- = \$556 per month



\$76,221 (2023 DAC)

- x .01
- x 9.5 years
- = \$7,241
- ÷ 12
- = \$603 per month

# CRSP DB: Service 2007 to June 30, 2023

#### **2023 Retirement**

Total benefit:

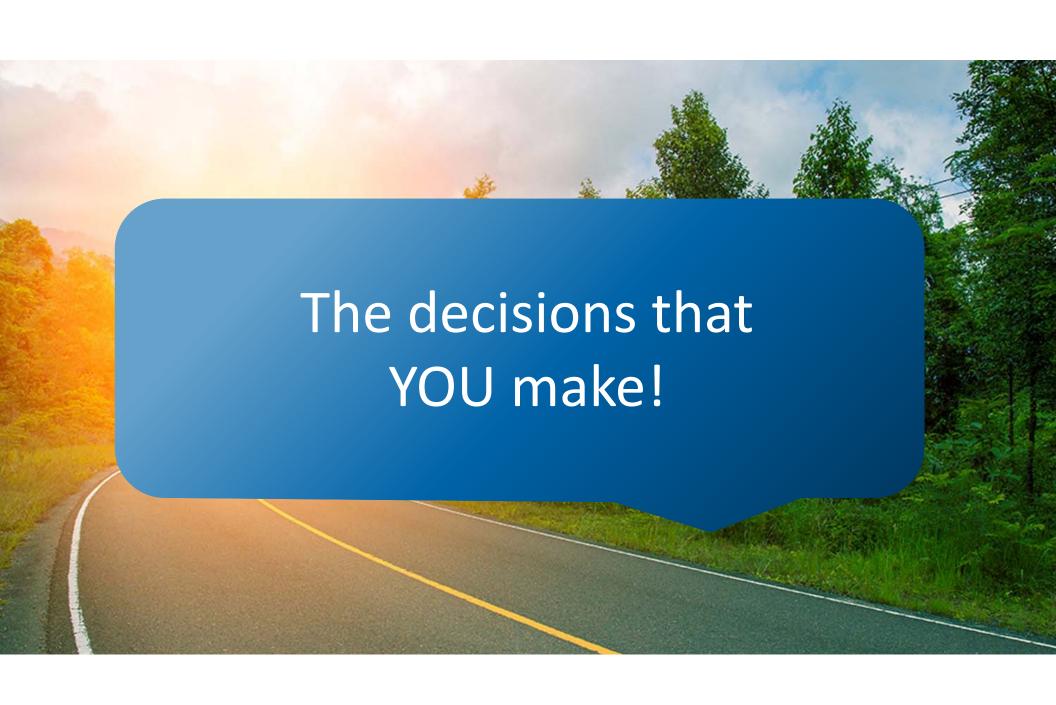
\$556

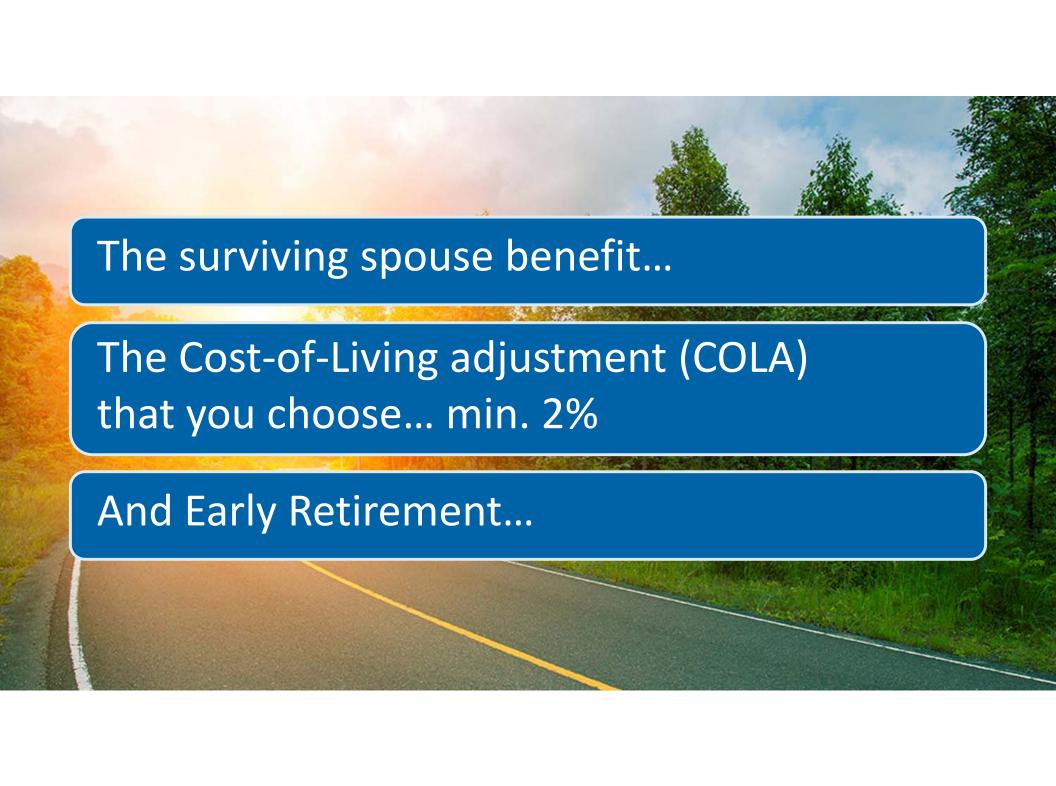
+ \$603

= \$1,159 per month









## **CRSP DB: Age 63 Early Retirement**

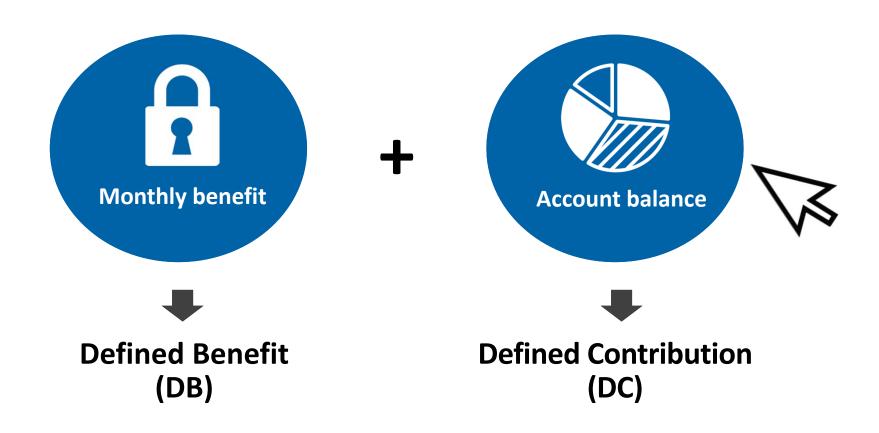
**2023 Early Retirement** Total benefit: \$1,020 per month

- **\$1,159** Full amount for 2023
- **\$139** 12% reduced; reduction of 6% per year
- = **\$1,020** Per month

In this example the clergyperson does not meet the 40-years-of-service rule.

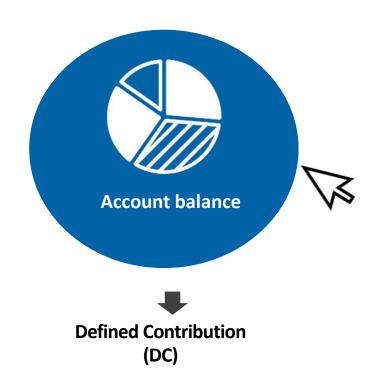


# **Clergy Retirement Security Program (CRSP)**

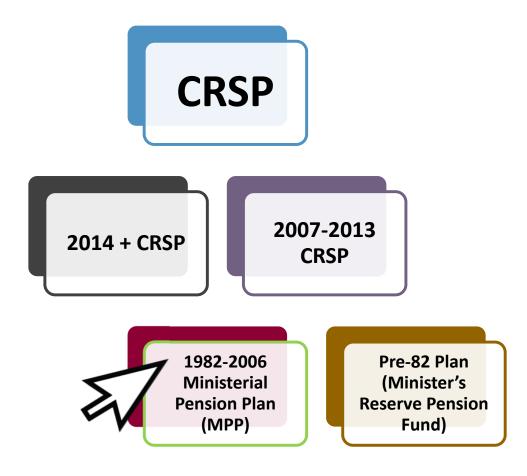


# **CRSP Defined Contribution (DC)**

- Participant directs investments
- LifeStage Investment Management
- Available as cash distributions
- Rollover to UMPIP or other retirement plan
- Required Minimum Distribution by age 73
- Remaining balance paid to beneficiaries upon participant's death



# **Wespath Retirement Plans**





What is MPP right now?

An ACCOUNT BALANCE!

How is it invested?

LifeStage Investment Management

What does it become later at retirement?

I'm glad you asked!

# 65% Becomes a Lifetime Annuity...



**Lifetime Annuity** 

A series of payments

**Life annuity**—benefit payments that last through the participant's lifetime (or two lives, if joint annuity elected)



# ...35% Remains an **Account Balance!**



**Account balance** 



# All Together Now...







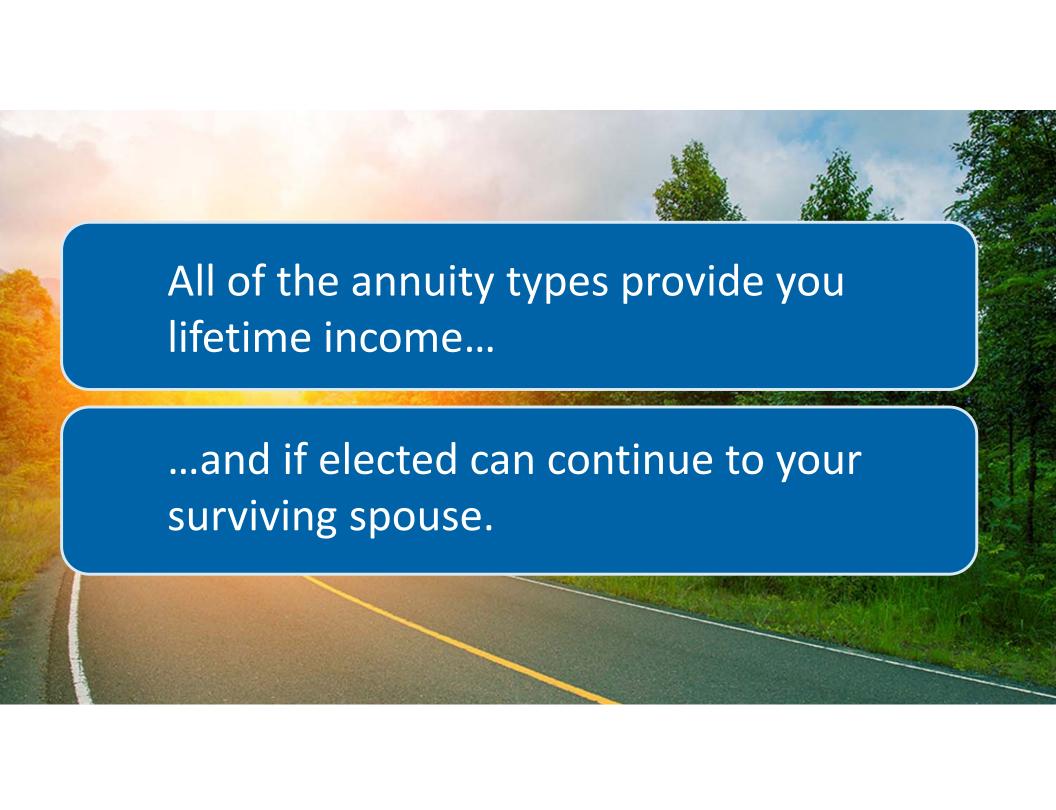
#### **Life Annuity**

- Six-lifetime annuities
- Cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) increase

#### **Account Balance**

- As a cash distribution
- Other options





### MPP and CRSP: Life and Survivor Annuity Options

#### **MPP Example:**

Annuity Type	Payable to You	Payable to Contingent Annuitant
Life and 100%	\$862	\$862
Life and 85%	\$887	\$754
Life and 70%	\$913	\$639

<sup>\*</sup> Since we are assuming a 2% COLA, these payouts will grow by 2% each year in retirement.



## MPP and CRSP: Single Life Annuity Options

#### **MPP Example:**

Annuity Type	Payable to You
Life only	\$1,061
Life with 5-year certain	\$1,056
Life with 10-year certain	\$1,037

<sup>\*</sup> Since we are assuming a 2% COLA, these payouts will grow by 2% each year in retirement.



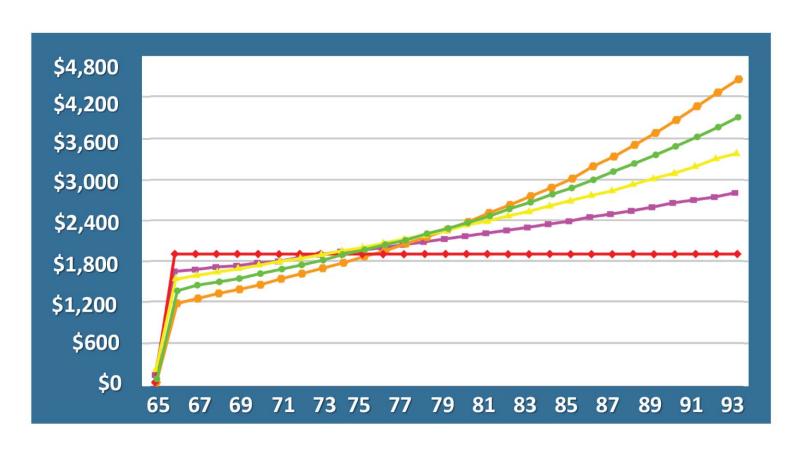


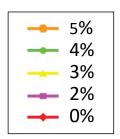






### MPP and CRSP DB Annuity: COLA Options



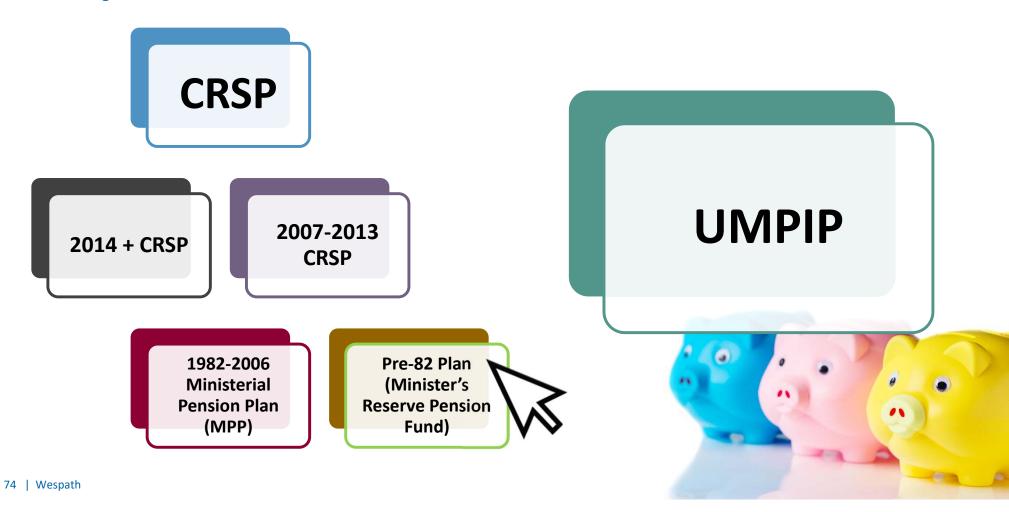


# **Summary of MPP Considerations**

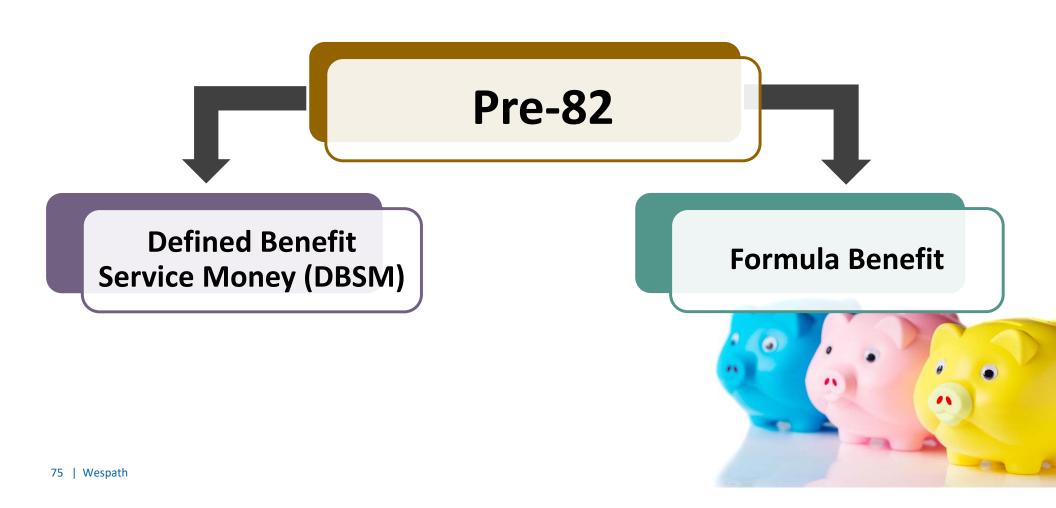
- Can leave on account until age 73
- Annuity and COLA options to choose
- Take the 35% of account balance and wait on the 65%
- Roll over the 35% to your UMPIP
- Roll over to another retirement plan
- Other distribution options



### **Wespath Retirement Plans**



#### Pre-82 Plan



### **Pre-82 Benefit**

- Lifetime monthly benefit payment
- Benefit is the greater of two calculations:
  - Pre-82 years of service X Annual Conference Past Service Rate
  - DBSM account balance converted to a life annuity



### Pre-82 Benefit

#### **Example:**

• 2.5 years x \$844 = \$2,110 annual benefit

**Past Service Rate** 

• \$ 2,110 / 12 = **\$178.83** monthly benefit

• \$75,000 converts to \$2,437 annual benefit

**DBSM** 

• \$2,437/12 = \$203.08 monthly benefit

#### **Pre-82: Benefit Paid for Life**

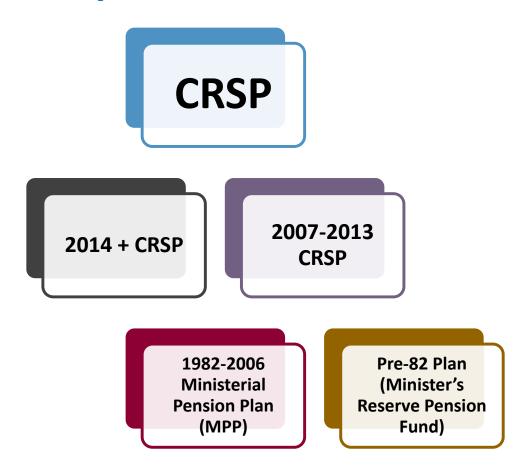
#### **Single Participant**

- Single life, no refund
- Benefit ceases upon participant's death

#### **Married Participant**

- Life & percentage 100% to surviving spouse—set by each Annual Conference
  - Spouse during episcopal appointment, at time of retirement and when beginning benefits

### **Wespath Retirement Plans**





### What Is UMPIP?

- Defined Contribution (DC) plan that accepts contributions from:
  - Plan sponsors/employers
  - Participants via payroll deduction
- You direct investments
  - LifeStage Investment Management or
  - Self-manage your investments



### **UMPIP Participant Contributions**



### 2023 Contribution Limits

### Before-tax and **Roth combined**

- \$22,500
- \$7,500 catch-up 50+
- \$30,000 total 50+
- \$66,000 total (Employer + Participant)

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#### **UMPIP**—Before-Tax

#### **Avoid Tax NOW**—Before-Tax **Contributions**

- Contributions and earnings income tax deferred
- No federal or state income tax until you receive distributions in retirement



# **Roth Contributions and Earnings**

- Pay income taxes now
- Income tax-free distributions if first Roth contribution was made at least 5 years\* prior to withdrawal
- or participant is 59½ or older, permanently disabled or deceased
- \* Unless a rolled over Roth 403b or 401k is a part of your UMPIP. Also, any Roth balances may be taken last (securing the 5-year qualification) to avoid tax consequences.



### **Rollovers Into UMPIP**

- Moving money from previous employer plan to UMPIP
- Accepted from IRS-qualified plans or traditional IRAs
- Complete an *Incoming Rollover* form and send to Wespath Benefits Plans Department



# **Distribution Options for Retired Participants**

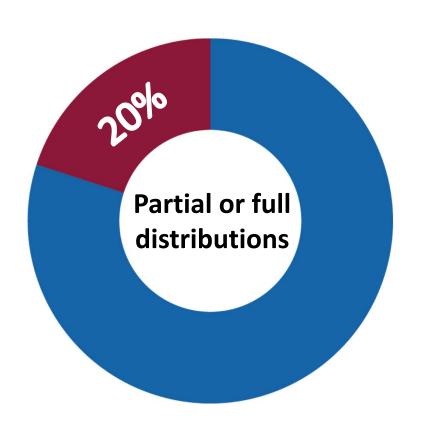
- Distribution choices
  - Full lump sum
  - Partial lump sum
  - Cash installments
    - > Self-Managed Retirement Income
    - LifeStage Retirement Income
- At death remaining balance to beneficiaries

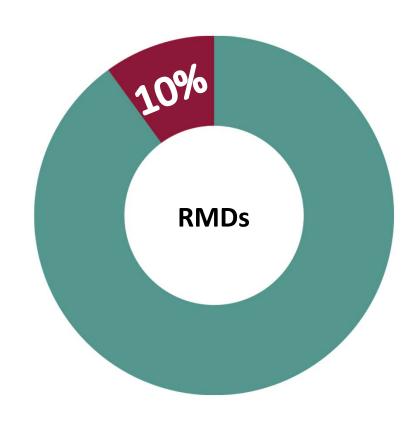


### **Required Minimum Distributions**

- Leave on account until Required Minimum Distributions at age 73(RMD)
- Beginning by no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year after the participant turns age 73
- Applies to defined contribution accounts (UMPIP, CRSP and MPP 35%)
- Subsequent RMDs each calendar year using prior-year December 31 balances
- MPP, CRSP DB and Pre-82 benefits must also begin at this time

### **Federal Tax Withholding on Distributions**





# **Investment Categories and Funds**

#### **Capital Preservation Fund**

Stable Value Fund

#### **Income Funds—Bonds**

- Inflation Protection Fund
- Fixed Income Fund
- **Extended Term Fixed Income Fund**



# **Investment Categories and Funds**

#### **Balanced Funds—Stocks and Bonds**

- Multiple Asset Fund (A fund of funds)
  - 35% U.S. Equity Fund
  - 30% International Equity Fund
  - 25% Fixed Income Fund
  - 10% Inflation Protection Fund

#### **Equity Funds—Stocks**

- U.S. Equity Fund
- International Equity Fund



### Social Values Choice Suite of Funds

For participants with a heightened focus on companies' environmental and social performance

#### **Fixed Income Funds—Bonds**

- U.S. Treasury Inflation Protection Fund
- Social Values Choice Bond Fund

#### **Equity Funds—Stocks**

Social Values Choice Equity Fund

#### **Benefits Access**

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#### Your Personalized Retirement Benefits Projection Statement For Benefits Commencement Date 07/01/2027

#### Projection

PROJECTIONS ESTIMATE FUTURE BENEFITS BASED ON UNDERLYING ASSUMPTIONS, WHICH MAY CHANGE FROM TIME TO TIME. ACTUAL BENEFITS MAY VARY.¹ WESPATH IS PROPOSING A NEW CLERGY RETIREMENT PLAN. IF THE PLAN IS APPROVED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE, CLERGY RETIREMENT SOR ARTHUR SON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE NEW PLAN MAY DIFFER FROM THOSE PROJECTED BELOW.

#### Lifetime Income

Plan	Estimated Monthly Benefit
Clergy Retirement Security Program Defined Benefit (CRSP DB) for 2007 through 2013 service	\$624
Clergy Retirement Security Program Defined Benefit (CRSP DB) for post-2013 service	\$833
Ministerial Pension Plan (MPP) Annuity (65%)	\$1,613
Subtotal for Lifetime Income:	\$3,070

#### Account Balance(s)

Plan	Account Balance	Monthly Installments
Ministerial Pension Plan (MPP) (35%)		\$721
Clergy Retirement Security Program Defined Contribution (CRSP DC)		\$248
United Methodist Personal Investment Plan (UMPIP)		\$263
Subtotal for Account Balance(s):		\$1,232

#### Understanding the Value of the Estimated Amounts

	Account Balance	Monthly Income
Estimated Total at Retirement:		\$4,302
Equivalent Value in Today's Dollars:		\$3,825
Estimated Income Replacement Ratio:	¥1	76.05%

<sup>1</sup>This Retirement Benefits Projection Statement (Statement) represents an estimate of your benefits assuming that you continue to work or remain under appointment and are covered under the plans until you begin receiving benefits. This estimate is based on the Participant Selected Input and System Determined Input. If actual experience varies from the assumptions (investment return, compensation increases, retirement age, mortality, etc.), the amount of the benefit will differ from the estimate. If the assumptions do not match the requirements of the plan, the plan's provisions will control your benefits eligibility and the amount of your benefits. If you are a terminated clergoperson who has returned to active service, your retirement benefits projection may be naccurate. For a complete explanation of the calculations used by this Statement, please refer to the Assumptions and Methodology.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your Statement, please call Wespath at 800-851-2201, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Central time, or EY Financial Planning Services at 800-360-2539, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Central time.



### LifeStage Investment Management

- Personalized investment management tool for Defined Contribution (DC) accounts
- Set your accounts on autopilot
- Fund allocations tailored to each participant
- Variables affecting fund allocations
  - Participant's age
  - **Expected Benefits Commencement Date (MPP)**
  - Risk tolerance
  - Social Security benefits
  - Wespath benefits

### **Features of LifeStage Retirement Income**

- Optional program that manages monthly retirement income from DC plans
- Considers your account balance, your age, your survivor's age, and your risk tolerance
- Goal to provide monthly payments for participant's and survivor's lifetime



## **Features of LifeStage Retirement Income**

- Uses LifeStage Investment Management
- Annual cost-of living adjustment
- Set aside all or a portion of your balance for larger or unexpected expenses



### **Award-Winning LSRI Features**

- Optional and customizable features:
  - Social Security Bridge
  - **Longevity Income Protection**
- Advanced online modeling in Benefits Access available now



### Highlights

- DC accounts combined into UMPIP
- You decide how much to include in LifeStage Retirement Income
- You decide how to invest the rest
  - LifeStage Investment Management or self-manage



### Highlights (continued)

- Take distributions from these funds
- Add additional funds to LifeStage Retirement Income
- Transfer between LifeStage and UMPIP at any time
- No direct participant costs



### **Social Security Bridge**

- Supplements income in early retirement years by allowing you to defer applying for Social Security
- Once you apply for Social Security, LifeStage Retirement Income payments decrease, "leveling" your income
- Investment allocation adjusted to reflect short-term period of bridge
- Be sure to set up your mySocialSecurity Account at ssa.gov

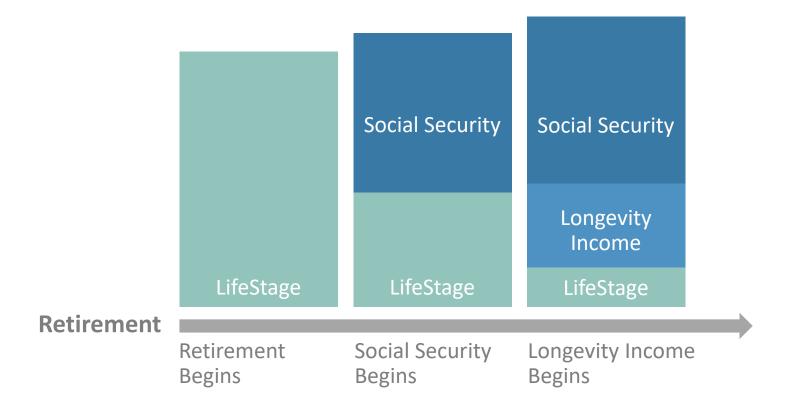


# **Longevity Income Protection**

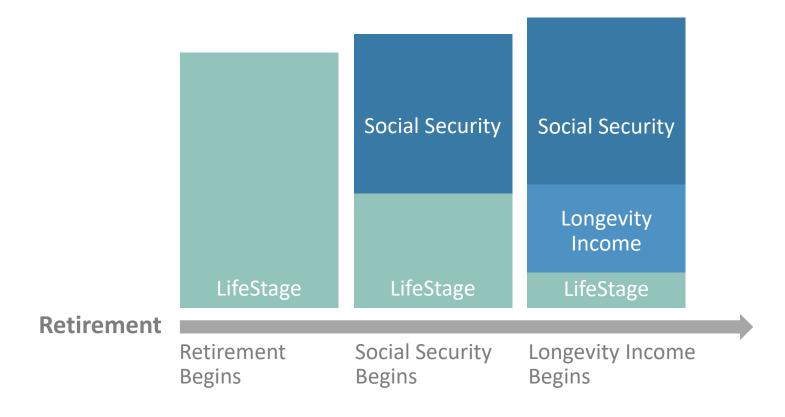
- Deferred annuity purchased through an outside insurer at retirement
- Provides:
  - Steady stream of payments over lifetime
  - Flexibility to spend in the early retirement years
  - Peace of mind
- Annuity based on group insurance rates
- Payments begin at age 80



### **How it works**



### **How it works**



### Is this right for me?

- Significant health issues?
- Family longevity?
- Opted out of Social Security?
- Past Social Security age?
- Significant other annuity income? Consider rolling over outside eligible retirement money to boost balances



### **Advanced Online Modeling Tool**

- When you are eligible to retire
- Demonstrates how funding LifeStage Retirement Income can optimize your retirement income
- Experiment with different amounts
- Determine eligibility for optional features
- See the results when choosing optional features

# **Benefits of LifeStage Retirement Income**

- Optimize your retirement income
- Minimize the effect of market fluctuations on monthly income
- Minimize the risk of outliving your funds



### LifeStage Retirement Income Action Steps

- Create your My Social Security account at ssa.gov and obtain Social Security estimate
- Review your LifeStage Investment Management profile
- Understand all your sources of retirement income
- Schedule a consultation with EY for help with retirement planning
- Contact Retirement Services for rollover assistance



# **Housing Allowance Exclusion in Retirement**

#### Amount to be excluded is the least of:

- Amount designated as housing allowance
  - Generally, comes from annual conference resolution designating a housing allowance
- Amount actually expended for housing
- Fair rental value of the housing



# **Housing Allowance Exclusion**

#### **Example: A clergyperson...**

- Receives \$24,000 in pension (designated)
- Spends \$20,000 on housing
- Fair rental value of housing is \$21,000
- Housing allowance exclusion cannot exceed \$20,000
- Amount taxable: \$4,000



# **Housing Allowance Exclusion**

- Available to retired clergy
- Not applicable to surviving spouse unless clergy couple
- Attach a note to IRS Form-1040
- Refer to section in conference journal



#### **Active Death Benefits**

Provision	CPP Death Benefit
Clergy	\$50,000
Spouse	20% of DAC* at time of death
Surviving Spouse	15% of DAC at time of death
Child	10% of DAC at time of death

<sup>\*</sup>Denominational Average Compensation

#### Retiree Death Benefit

Provision	Retired January 1, 2013 and Later
Eligibility	<ul> <li>Eligible to receive a benefit from CRSP at time of retirement, AND</li> <li>Enrolled in CPP for 12 of the last 15 years, OR</li> <li>Active participant in CPP for 25 years</li> </ul>

#### Retiree Death Benefit Amounts

Provision	Retired January 1, 2013 and Later
Retiree	Flat amount of \$20,808
Retiree Spouse	Flat amount of \$15,606
Retiree Surviving Spouse	Flat amount of \$10,404
Retiree Child	Flat amount of \$8,323



# **EY Financial Planning Services**







#### **Program Advantages**

- Confidential, professional financial counseling at no additional cost\*
- Unlimited hours of financial planning advice via telephone
- Objective advice—no sales pitch
- No need to enroll
  - Call 1-800-360-2539
  - Visit website: wespath.eynavigate.com
     (create a username and password to register)
- \* Costs for these services are included in Wespath's operating expenses that are paid for by the funds.

# Wespath Virtual One-On-One Consultations

Meet one on one with a Wespath Benefits Educator

2023 Consultation Link

https://www.wespath.org/r/consults23



## **Action Planning**

- Register for Benefits Access
  - Online—benefitsaccess.org
  - Review beneficiary designation
- Review your LifeStage Investment Management profile
- Project your retirement income
- Call EY and register on EY Navigate
- Benefit Education Consultations

### **Participant Resources**



**Wespath Participant Solutions** 

wespath.org

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**New link coming** 

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