

Call Process Update

Congregation Study Event: On August 27, we had 199 people participating in the process guided by Pastor CeCee Mills. Groups discussed and recorded responses to four prompts:

1. Our Most Important Current Ministries Are:
2. In the Next Few Years I Hope We Can:
3. Our Next Pastor Should Be Someone Who:
4. It is important that the bishop/staff know:

A summary of responses to the first three will be prepared by Ministry Site Profile (MSP) writing team or the Call Committee. It will be shared with those groups as well as Council and congregation. Pastor CeCee took responses to the fourth prompt with her for the bishop & staff.

Call Committee: This committee, with alternates, was installed during worship on August 27. As their leaders, they selected Tom Loeblein, chairperson; Meredith Williams, secretary; Rosalind Hines, chaplain. Other members are Sacha Witt, Gabriel Young, Tom Childress, Harrison Parrott, Lilly Dangerfield, and Mary Willis Page. Once the MSP is completed and uploaded to the ELCA website, they will be trained and ready to receive an initial group of names to consider. Their work will then be confidential, so don't ask but remain patient and pray for them constantly.

Ministry Site Profile (MSP) writing team: This is the team who will receive data, sort through the study information, and write this profile which will be given to all candidates by the bishop's staff when a pastor agrees to be interviewed. This is the resume for St. John's. The Transition Team, Call Committee, and Council will all review it before it is finalized and approved by the Council. The MSP writing team consists of: Meredith Williams, Sacha Witt, Lindsay Triplett, Bryan Wymbs, and Carol Everhart.