



Dear Members and Friends,

The Search Committee for our Minister of Congregational Life is pleased to announce that we have unanimously reached God-given consensus in our search for the next minister to join our TriCon family. As such, we are requesting a congregational meeting and candidate weekend to introduce the candidate and vote on the call.

The Search Committee (Matthew Boger, Phyllis Clarke, Leslie Feigh, Michele Forinash, Suzanne Giles, Paul Mahoney, Prescott Stewart, Charity Tremblay, and Lucas Wilbur), began work in August of 2018. Over the last nine months, we have worked diligently to identify the best candidate for our next Minister of Congregational Life. After reviewing over 30 profiles, the committee identified four candidates to interview. After multiple interviews with each candidate, we were drawn very strongly to our final selection and have had multiple opportunities to engage in further interviews and to hear the candidate preach.

After further discernment, the committee was unanimous in our support of the candidate, finding that this candidate had great experience in all of the areas we are seeking, including working with youth and senior members, pastoral care, spiritual development, and leadership. In addition, we found that the candidate would work well with Rev. Brown, both as a collaborative minister and one who does not duplicate Bob's strengths but one whose strengths complement Bob's strengths.

We will be moving to a candidate weekend and Congregational Meeting on May 11-12th. You will have an opportunity to meet the candidate in person at an Open House at the church on Saturday, May 11th from 4-6pm and hear them preach on Sunday, May 12th before the vote at the meeting following the service.

The search and call process that the search committee has been engaged in over the last nine months is one that works in a covenant of confidentiality required by the sensitive nature of the search process. Because of the complexity of any candidate's process of potentially leaving one congregation to join another, there is always an attempt to maintain a covenant of confidentiality as long as possible.

In response to this, we will be providing further information introducing you to the candidate closer to the candidate weekend including a profile of the candidate identifying their accomplishments in ministry as well as appropriate personal background. We appreciate the eagerness of the congregation to learn as much as possible about the candidate as soon as possible and hope that the congregation will understand and join us in maintaining the covenant of confidentiality until just prior to the candidate weekend.

Faithfully yours,

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