

Pastoral Search Committee update

The Pastoral Search Committee has moved into the next phase of our search. The Congregational Information Form and the Twenty Pastoral Task forms have been sent to Dave Mishler. We are now receiving information on candidates for review and will meet in several weeks to process this together.

We are not able to share names or information about specific candidates with you, but we can address other questions or concerns you have at any time. As a reminder, your search committee is: Karl Bartsch, Leland Glenna, Marvin Hall, Fidele Lumeya, Jess McCormick, Ieva Perkons, Karen Rath, Kathleen Stehouwer and Joel Weidner.

We continue to follow this timeline, which we developed in October:

- October 8 -- Community Cafe dialogue
- October 15 -- Include input from Congregation in CIF and send out Twenty Pastoral Tasks
- October 20 -- Begin advertising in Mennonite, etc.
- November 1 -- Completed CIF and TPT go to Dave Mishler
- December 15 -- Begin screening candidates
- January 15 -- Develop short list of candidates
- February 15 -- Complete screening interviews
- March 1 -- Select person for congregational interview
- April 1 -- In-person interview complete and congregation decision

It's essential for the entire congregation to be involved as much as possible in each stage of the search process. Thirty-seven people completed the Twenty Pastoral Tasks survey, and it would have been helpful to have had more participation. We hope that the congregation will take opportunities to participate when possible in the future. Please also make this process a priority in your prayers.

A summary of the Twenty Pastoral Tasks survey is included with this report.

Kathleen Stehouwer, on behalf of the Pastoral Search Committee