

We elders have met every month with the Leadership Team (the chair, the assistant chair, and the elders) so that we keep aware of responsibilities while we are without a minister.

We continue to touch base with the attenders and members regularly, as well as those who do not attend regularly, while we are without a minister, so that everyone realizes they are needed and appreciated.

We have asked designated people to be on an ad.hoc. task force committee to review our children and youth programs and to recommend a plan so that adults other than parents and Sunday School teachers can help mentor and nurture our children and youth. The task force persons will bring a proposal to the elders and then to the next congregational business meeting. The goal is to have this in place and activated for the late summer/early fall new school year.

We elders again emphasize that we are available to you. Please feel free to contact us with your joys, concerns, questions, and challenges. We want to listen to you. Because we are a priesthood of believers who are all called to care for each other, we elders might ask you to assist with pastoral care responsibilities as needed.

We ask you to pray regularly for each other during this time of transition. We ask you to volunteer for the many task that we are committed to. May God bless us with patience, understanding, forbearance, kindness, gentleness with one another as we wait for new leadership for our congregation.

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