

Congregational Chair's Report

May 19, 2019

The leadership team consists of Pastor Kate Heinzl, congregational chair Karen Rath, assistant congregational chair Doug Miller, and elders Joel Weidner, Rosita Derstine, and Leland Glenna. In April, the leadership team released Bethany Spicher Schonberg from her duties as elder for the remainder of her term, through August 31, 2019, as she recovers from surgery and illness. We are grateful for the leadership she has shown as an elder for the past two and a half years and we pray for her to have a full recovery.

As congregational chair, this quarter I have led two leadership team meetings and planned a congregational business meeting as well as been part of much communication that involves the administering of church business. Recently, I have initiated the annual discernment of gifts process in which people in the congregation volunteer or nominate others for the various volunteer positions for the 2019-20 church year. Doug Miller and I have joined the elders and Pastor Kate in leading sharing time during worship.

We are grateful for the many ways that people in our congregation serve our church community with your time and talents. Please let anyone on the leadership team know if you have any concerns or suggestions or questions. We also appreciate your prayers.

This is my last congregational business meeting as congregational chair. I have been blessed to serve on the leadership team for nearly 4 years now, a year as chair elect (as it was called then) and 3 years as congregational chair. I thank all of you who have helped me to learn so much about the administering of church business. My prayers are with the new leadership team of the 2019-20 church year and all of you.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Rath