

## What's Happening With The Search For A New Minister?

1. Between now and calling an Interim Minister:
  - As previously noted, we have pulpit supply ministers lined up to lead worship through Christmas Sunday.
  - The Session, its committees, and each member of the congregation continue to do the work of the Church with faith and mutual encouragement.
2. Calling an Interim Minister:
  - The Session is responsible for this process and has decided that it should call an Interim Minister for one-half time.
  - This Call would be for a six-month period or until a permanent minister is available (whichever comes first), and will be renewable.
  - The Interim Minister will be responsible for worship leadership, pastoral care, various other administrative tasks, and can moderate the Session.
  - The Session has established an Interim Minister Search Committee. Members of this committee will be John Merriss, Charles Trifiletti, Maureen Knechtel, Josh Parsons, and Lauri Zembower.
  - If you have suggestions for an Interim Minister, please speak with one of these Interim Minister Search Committee members.
3. Electing a Pastor Nominating Committee:
  - A Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is elected by the congregation at an appropriately called Congregational Meeting and, once elected, is responsible to the whole congregation.
  - A PNC is to be representative of the congregation.
  - Covenant's Officer Nominating Committee (current members are Max Wilson, Hal Hunter, Sally Nagle, Bob Hart, Sharon Benner, and Tony Madden) will nominate people for the PNC.
  - If you have suggestions for members to serve on the Pastor Nominating Committee, please speak with one of these people.

The Session hopes that everyone will ask for God's love and guidance during this important time in the life of Covenant. Though the future is uncertain, it is also exciting. Current session members are Helen Davis, Hal Hunter, Lynnea Hunter, Melanie Jones, Evelyn Kemp, Alan Lewis, Anne Smith, Andrea Sutter, Charles Trifiletti, Max Wilson and Christian Zembower. Next year's class consists of Eileen Madden, John Merriss, Sally Nagel and David Wood.

### **Correction to the December Courier:**

**RE: The birthday list on the Refrigerator Page:** If you received a printed newsletter, please add Allura Sutter's name on December 29<sup>th</sup>!

### PEOPLE IN OUR PRAYERS

Rose Willis, Eileen Madden, Doris Sanders, Mary Bell Orr (the Underwood's daughter's mother-in-law), Amy Hecht, Margaret Sullenger, Arlene Wilkinson, Chris Adler Hillhouse, Helen Davis, Pat Wiley, Betty Maletich, Sue Sheffield, Hugh Underwood, Everrette Dale Thompson (Phyllis Thompson's uncle), Jon Christiansen (missionary), Bob Rice (missionary), Peggy Underwood, Eric Smith (son of former members Keith & Pam Smith), Barbara & Jerry Ladich, Jack Fletcher, Bob Maletich, Corrine Broyles, Elva McCartt, Marie Britt, Hazel Hinkle (John Merriss' sister-in-law), Patsy Young (Butch Carr's cousin), Arthur "Bud" & Eileen Kelsey; Tim Jones, Joyce Ford & her family (all friends of Butch & Harriette Carr)

*If you know of other reasons for rejoicing or concerns you would like to share with others please complete a prayer card with your requests.*

### THIS WEEK AT COVENANT:

#### Today, December 11

9:45a	Sunday School
11:00a	Worship Service
12:30p	After Church Lunch
1:30p	Session Meeting

#### Monday, December 12

7:00a	AA Meeting
7:00p	Nominating Committee Meeting

#### Tuesday, December 13

11:30a	Friendship Circle
5:00p	Human Resources Committee Meeting
7:00p	Property Committee Meeting
7:00p	AI-Anon Meeting

#### Wednesday, December 14

7:00a	AA Meeting
5:00p	WNL!
7:15p	Choir Practice

#### Thursday, December 15

##### **COURIER DEADLINE**

8:00a	Men's Bible Study
9:30a	Women in the Bible
Noon	AI-Anon Meeting

#### **Youth Montreat Fundraiser Trivia Night**

#### Friday, December 16

7:00a	AA Meeting
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