

Transition, Transition, Transition...

In case anyone has not heard this is a year of transition. As a session and congregation, there are plans to be made and actions to be taken. We are moving in the direction of having a change of leadership in 2010. From now till then there are things which must be done in cooperation with Presbytery's Committee on Ministry.

First, the Nominating Committee elected at the December congregational meeting must meet in order to have a Pulpit Nominating Committee. This committee can be composed of three members from the congregation and two from session. The chairperson will be from the congregation.

Second, this committee will be elected at a congregational meeting with the report of the Nominating Committee.

Third, the Pulpit Nominating Committee will meet with the representatives from the Committee on Ministry in order to understand its responsibilities.

The actions needed should begin as soon as possible. The Nominating Committee members are: Chairperson, Debbie Firm, Lesa Costlow, Eleanor Weiss, Eric Barnhouse and Mary Ann Chorpenning. We all need to be praying for this committee and for the Pulpit Nominating Committee when elected.

The remainder of the year will necessarily involve the need to have staff added because as pastor, I will be retiring soon after the ordination of Jason early in 2010.

The remaining months of 2009 are critical as changes must be made in order for ministry to continue and the mission of Jesus Christ given the necessary efforts to bring people and the Savior together.

More about transition in future newsletters.

- Your Pastor