

Associate Pastor Call Committee Participation

As communicated in the congregation forum Sunday, May 19th, Pastor Mike Schmid will be retiring January 2027, and the St. John's Lutheran Church Board is looking for volunteers interested in serving on the Pastoral Call Committee.

The plan is to select participants representing a cross section of members from the congregation to form the Call Committee. This committee will conduct a search to call an associate pastor position to work with our lead pastor to enable a smooth transition. As retirement approaches, the pastoral roles will begin to transition, as the associate takes on leadership.

The Board is looking for members with a broad view of the congregation's ministry, who embrace the congregation's mission and are active in the life of the congregation. The length of service on the committee is expected to be 6 to 9 months but may be longer based on available candidates.

Responsibilities will include:

- Reporting to the SJLC Board of Directors
- Working with congregation members, consultants and the district to determine the key characteristics, qualities and experience that we as a congregation are looking for in a pastor.
- Working with the district for guidance in the process and to identify candidates available for a Call.
- Conduct interviews with candidates
- Submit recommendations to the Board.

If interested please submit your name and contact information to the church office, John Van Hofwegen or Todd Yoder by Wednesday, June 5th.

Thank you for your consideration and prayers as St. John's goes through this process.

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