IMPORTANT

Update From Church Council

Back in January and February, our Call Committee was formed based on numerous recommendations from the congregation and Church Council. The council studied these recommendations and named a Call Committee to reflect the congregational make-up.

In late spring, it was brought to our attention that there is a line in the church by-laws under the At-Large Committee section that was inadvertently overlooked when the Call Committee was formed. This line states that the At-Large Committee is to recommend candidates for the Call Committee and that the church is to vote on that committee.

This was brought to our attention by someone going through the by-laws, regarding an unrelated matter. Church Council has had a thorough discussion; we unanimously feel that with the search and call process already thoroughly underway, and the Call Committee doing such good work, starting over was not a realistic option.

So, our first step was to ask the At-Large Committee if they would consider approving the existing Call Committee, which they did, unanimously.

Regarding having a congregational vote on the existing Call Committee, we felt this step was unnecessary, given the situation. Since our current search and call process has made such a determined effort to include the congregation, both in recommending Call Committee members and in participating in the process with multiple Listening Sessions, we feel that we already have a strong consensus both on the makeup of the existing Call Committee and the process we're using.

If you have any concerns, we want to hear from you - please email me.

We sincerely apologize for the error. We are grateful for the faithful work of the Call Committee and are convinced that this is the committee that would have been chosen had the intended process been followed. Thank you for your understanding and support!

—Jamie Anderson, Moderator