

To: Members of First Congregational UCC-Great Falls and
Christ United Methodist Church

Fr: Dick Kloppel, Moderator FCUCC-GF
Karen Spencer, Vice Moderator FCUCC-GF

Re: Search and Call

In the days since Rev. Lynne Spencer-Smith announced her retirement, we have experienced a profound sense of loss. Her years among us have been a blessing, and we look forward to one more year with her. In the meantime, we will begin taking steps toward filling our pastor position.

Dick Kloppel, Moderator, and Karen Spencer, Vice Moderator, recently met with Conference Minister Tony Clark to review the Search and Call process. The first step is to form a Search Committee. We envision a committee comprised of people representing the diversity of our congregation (gender, age, years of membership, racial, cultural, economic, sexual orientation), as well as individuals involved in varied aspects of church life.

We are prayerfully approaching the selection of Search Committee members, seeking wisdom, sensitivity, and awareness that God may be calling certain church members to consider serving on this important team. If you would like to be considered for the Search Committee, or if you wish to nominate someone, please contact Dick Kloppel or Karen Spencer by **December 7**. They can also provide information regarding the process, time commitment, and responsibilities.

Inquiries/contacts do not necessarily commit you to the committee, and everyone who indicates interest may not be selected to serve on it. Our intent is to have the S&C Committee formed so it can be presented to the FCUCC-GF Council for approval at the December Council meeting.