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To our Dear Concordia Family,

As you know, Pastor Craig announced his intent to retire at the end of October 2022. We know that you are interested in the process of the Call Committee as we search for our next pastor. We thank you for your comments and questions. These are important as we move forward.

For our part, we have been praying, discussing, working, and planning for the Call Committee process. We have studied the congregational Bylaws. We have attended a Zoom meeting with the District President to consider the various requirements of the Call Committee process. We have gathered the information and outline for a congregational survey to make ready for our future efforts. With all of this in hand, we have laid out a potential timeline for the process. We have been busy!

At this point, we want to invite you into the process, making you aware of meaningful ways you can be involved. Please know that we want everyone informed and involved. Here is what we know so far:

1. Please join us in praying for the Call Process. This is an important process, a meaningful path under the direction of the Lord Jesus and the Word of the Lord.
 2. Do consider with your prayers how you might be involved in the Call Process. Many of you are certainly capable of being a part of the Call Committee, enabled to make a valuable contribution. We will need – and want – some of you to volunteer for this effort.
 3. As you have traveled and talked with various people, you may know of a pastor who you think might be a good candidate for us. Please share names with us, helping us generate a list of potential pastors to consider.
 4. **May 15, 2022 is an important date!** This is the Sunday when the Rocky Mountain District President Roger Schlechte will be with us to help us ramp up and kick off our efforts. He will be working with us to organize the Process, inform us more of the Process, help us with the initial efforts of the Call Committee, and getting us moving in a good direction.
 5. **May 15, 2022 is an important date!** We are asking that you make every effort to be present for this meaningful day. We are thinking about hosting a congregational potluck luncheon that day.
 6. Because *May 15, 2022 is such an important date for us*, we are encouraging you to let us know by then that you are willing to serve on the Call Committee. It is our hope, once you have heard more of the details from President Schlechte, that we can formalize the Call Committee that day, making ready for the next steps in the Process.
- For now, so that you are aware of how we are presently guided in our path forward, copies of our Congregational Bylaws are being made available this Sunday for you to review.

For our part, we have had many questions. We suspect that you *will have questions as well*. Please feel free to approach any of us with your questions *or concerns*. If we don't have a specific answer, your question will be helpful, giving us the opportunity to uncover a good answer and learn something in the process. Please do not hesitate when it comes to asking any question you may have. Thanks!

Truly Yours in Christ's Mission,

Ron Wentzel, President,
Jake Weber, Head Elder,
Mike Illenberger, Elder

Happy April Birthdays

04/09 Donna Gruis	04/12 Emily Craig	04/13 John Wharton VI
04/21 Mary Beth Bradfield	04/26 Jacob Riemenschneider	04/29 Shannon Smith
04/30 Geri Bateman	04/30 Beth Watson	

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