

ULC Discernment Process

How is God calling us into the future?

You have probably heard the exciting news - the end is in sight for our mortgage! As we come upon this milestone, there is no better time to think about what God's vision for our church and our community is for the future. Beginning in May, Council will be hosting small group discussions to engage the congregation in prayerful consideration of what is next for us. We encourage you to consider the following:

- Who are we...our identity, historical strengths and patterns, our assets, our strengths, and challenges?
- Who is our neighbor...who are the people who live in our neighborhoods? What are their longings, fears, hopes, dreams, and spiritual needs? What are the needs of those in our community and around the globe?
- What is God calling us to be and do... Based on the insights from the previous questions and grounded in prayer, what directions should our ministry take over the next 3-5 years?
- We also ask that you keep our ULC discernment process in your prayers. Discerning God's vision for the future is some of the most important work we can do. We hope to ground the process in openness to God's presence and guidance while we work towards letting go of what we need the church to be to allow God's Spirit to reveal what we can be in the next chapter(s) of our ministry.

On May 16, Council will be introducing this process during the Sunday Forum. Then you will have the opportunity to participate in one of four small group discussions to be held via Zoom from 6:30 to 8 :00 p.m.

To pre-register on Zoom for a small group discussion, please choose from one of the following dates:

- [May 20th \(Thursday\)](#)
- [May 26th \(Wednesday\)](#)
- [June 2nd \(Wednesday\)](#)
- [June 10th \(Thursday\)](#)