

ROGER'S RECOMBOBULATION AREA: Ministerial Transition Timeline - 02.09.22

In spite of continuing challenges from the pandemic, the congregation is making good progress in this time of ministerial transition. It feels like we are on target for this to be a two-year transition. That timetable will include the creation and launch of a Search Committee later this spring. That group will build a profile of the congregation to share with prospective candidates for Lead Minister. That profile will include an overview of WBUUC's history, a sense of the qualities, characteristics, and skills the congregation is looking for in a new Lead Minister, and a distillation of aspirations the congregation has for its next chapter. Everyone in the congregation will have ample opportunity to give input that will help the Search Committee build the profile.

The Search Committee will get to know ministers who are interested in the position starting in December. It will slowly and carefully narrow the list until there are approximately three finalists. The Search Committee will spend a weekend with each of the finalists. In April 2023, the Search Committee will present a candidate to the congregation. The candidate will come for ten days shortly after, lead services on consecutive Sundays, and meet with all sorts of WBUUC committees and groups and teams. At the end of the ten days, there will be a congregational meeting where every voting member will have the opportunity to vote on whether to call the candidate as WBUUC's next Lead Minister.

We are getting a head start on building the profile of WBUUC for the search process with the Living Legacy History Project on February 20. I hope a LOT of you register for and participate in this event. All of you are part of the history and present of WBUUC. You all should have a voice in telling the story of WBUUC. We need your help with this!