

Synod Transitions – Spring 2012

Synod Roster Transitions

Heidi Lembke Johnston, called as pastor of Faith, North Quincy, Mass.; was ordained Jan. 28 in Natick, Mass.

Pr. Melissa Buono, called to special service as Interim Pastor in the New England Synod

Pr. Johanna Kiefner, called to special service as Spiritual Care/Bereavement Coordinator for the Visiting Nurse Association of Greater Lowell, Mass.

Judith Smith, Associate in Ministry, called to special service as Family and Adult Programs Director for Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of New England.

Pr. Paul Sinnott, called as pastor of St. Paul, Torrington, serving with Pr. Michael Millum

Synod Leaders News

An ad hoc committee formed by Synod Council and members of the Doing What Matters facilitet team met with synod conferences during Jan. and Feb. and prepared a list of responses to four vital questions about [electing a new bishop](#) for our synod. During March, seven [Mission Area Assemblies](#) will continue discussion on the qualities of a bishop and formulate questions for the nominees at our [Synod Assembly June 8-10, 2012](#). Assembly will be held once again at the MassMutual Center, Springfield, Mass. Synod members: come, listen and share how God is calling you to “do what matters.” All registration for Assembly must be done via our online link by June 7.

Congregations in Transition

Connecticut

Bethany, Cromwell	Intentional Interim
Christ, Middletown	Self Study
Emanuel, Manchester (Assoc.)	Interviewing
Good Shepherd, Hamden	Awaiting Candidate
Immanuel, Meriden	Awaiting Candidate
St. Mark, Norwich	Interviewing
St. Paul's, Middletown	Self Study

New Hampshire

Holy Trinity, Newington	Interviewing
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Rhode Island

St. Mark, Woonsocket	Self Study
St. Peter, Newport	Self Study

Massachusetts

Bethlehem, Sturbridge	Interviewing
Christ the King, Holliston	Intentional Interim
Grace, West Springfield	Self Study
University, Cambridge	Intentional Interim

New York

Vermont

Good Shepherd, Jericho	Awaiting Candidate
Good Shepherd, Rutland	Awaiting Candidate