Moving Forward Better Together

Congregational Updates on Sunday, September 11 at 11:30am

On Sunday, September 11 at 11:30am (right after the 10:15am worship service), the combined Moving Forward Together (MFT) committee will be hosting an informal congregational meeting to give updates on our process and progress. During the meeting, the Naming Subcommittee will give an update on the results of the last round of congregational input on narrowing down the possible names of the potential new church.

The meeting will begin in the sanctuary with both congregations together. We will then split our congregations into two separate areas of the building, in the event that there are questions that members would feel more comfortable asking their own consistories without the other congregation in the same room. There is much that we still need to work on and discuss together, and so there are yet questions to which we do not have answers. We still want to hear the questions and concerns of our members and provide information about that which we can answer at this point.

As we are following the "Folding-In" process in the book *Better Together*, as a part of that process, after we have completed our 30+ tasks, we plan to have another "FAQ" (frequently asked questions) session(s) well before having a final vote, to make sure that we have as many questions address and answered as possible, that we have not inadvertently overlooked a question or concern, to make any final adjustments from congregational input, and to give time for all to think and pray about the vision of the new church and the leading of the Holy Spirit before the actual vote.

Please read the article included in this newsletter with the updates from the MFT committee about the work that has been done so far.

For those who cannot make the meeting in person, but would like to join virtually, we plan to have this meeting available through Zoom. Since the second half of the meeting will be in two separate rooms, we have two separate sets of Zoom log in information.

For the congregation of Zion UCC:

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