Council members,

On behalf of the entire Call Committee and with great joy I would like to inform you that we have secured a "candidate of choice" for our call, and that we have a pending agreement with the called pastor to fulfill the call at Resurrection. The contract is being reviewed and finalized by all parties as soon as possible.

Due to the pastor's current circumstances and their desire to properly and gracefully inform their current congregation of their new call, we CANNOT release the name of the candidate at this time.

Please understand this, and know that we will inform you at the earliest possible time. Release of the candidate's name would only harm the candidate and their current congregation.

Furthermore, in order to keep the process moving as quickly as possible, we will be announcing this coming Sunday August 13, 2023 that there will be a congregational meeting held to announce and vote on the acceptance of the called candidate no less than 10 days from this Sunday the 13th. This is to follow ELCA and constitutional requirements that such meeting must be announced at two consecutive Sunday services and must be no sooner than 10 days from the initial Sunday announcement. Additional forms of communication will also be used to inform the congregation.

Meeting details are being planned as I write this note and will be announced this Sunday.

Thank you for your support and understanding of the Call Committee’s work throughout this process, and going forward, as we begin a new and exciting phase at Resurrection.

Steve Jacobson

Call Committee Chair