

Staff-Parish Relations Committee

Church Council Report

February 2015

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee continues to meet twice monthly as we work to accomplish our many goals.

Job descriptions are being refined and finalized. Thanks to Sally Hines for contributing her talent and skills to the documentation of finalized job descriptions for us.

The newly created CUMC Employee Guidebook has been approved by SPRC and is presented to the Church Council for adoption.

A reminder that the purpose of hiring great staff into interim roles is to ensure that the necessary work gets done while we determine the most effective roles and responsibilities required/desired for fulfilling the mission of the church—making disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. That determination includes what knowledge/skills/abilities, how much time, and what compensation packages are optimal. Currently the position of Choral Director is posted and a new role of OnCenter Worship leader is evolving. Our intent is remain open to the possibilities and talent of those who present for consideration in the filling of these roles. Our goal is to finalize what roles/responsibilities are needed as permanent and to be fully staffed within the next several months.

Our candidates for ministry continue to move forward in their journeys. CUMC members Tyler Ward and Nikki Young were successful in their first interview with the District Committee on Ordained Ministry. They will now be assigned mentors with whom they will complete further assessment and activities including background and psychological testing. SPRC provides financial support to them for fees associated with these checks. Certified Candidate Anitta Milloro continues her seminary studies. Pastor Sarah was recommended by the Board for Ordained Ministry and will be ordained as an Elder in full connection this June at the Annual Conference.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at home at 630-369-3296 or by email at sprc.chair@communityunitedmethodist.org.

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