Transition Update from the Interim Ministerial Task Force

Rev. Shari recently sent an email and list of FAQ all about her upcoming departure from Westside. My letter was also included and all three of these items are currently housed on the <u>Transitions page</u> of our Westside website http://www.westsideuu.org

I also wanted to share some additional information with you to give you an idea of what will be taking place in the weeks ahead as we begin our search for an interim minister.

We have formed a 5 member transitions task force that is charged with the task of hiring an interim minister for Westside to begin on or around August 1st, 2020. The team is made up of current board members Janell Weaver, VP, Reed Bilz, Secretary, Marc Hart and Tom Woods, Directors and myself.

As you can see, we will be working within a much shorter time frame than the Ministerial Search Committee that brought Rev. Shari to us. That group spent approximately 18-20 months together. The interim search will last less than 12 weeks!!!!

Westside's packet for interim ministers went public on Friday, April 24th. Interim ministers that are interested in Westside had until May 2nd to submit their names to the UUA. The UUA Transitions office sent our task force the names of ministers interested in Westside on May 4th.

We have set up interviews with some of the candidates and our deadline to send our decision is May 20th. If all goes well, we could have an interim minister selected by the end of May - no later than mid-June. The minister would move to Fort Worth sometime in July and begin serving our congregation at the beginning of August.

In the meantime, we welcome your input, questions and suggestions. Please contact the board and the Interim Task Force by emailing: board@westsideuu.org

Very Sincerely Yours, Carol Cappa Board President