

# MISSION DISCERNMENT

*What is Mission Discernment? Congregations whose rostered leader (pastor, associate in ministry, deaconess, diaconal minister) has resigned, usually look for a new one. That process involves asking about where God is leading them, what kind of leader they need, and what gifts and skills that leader might bring. The congregation will have engaged in an **Exploring Your Expectations Workshop** and formed a Call Committee which puts together the Ministry Site Profile (formerly known as the Congregation Mission Profile). The Profile reflects the best prayerful thinking of the congregation, the Council, and the Call Committee. Once that Profile is filled out and forwarded to the synod office, the congregation moves to the next category. While in mission discernment, the congregation is usually served by an interim minister.*

## MISSION

MISSION DISCERNMENT	State	Congregation	Interim	Vacancy Pastor
Elwood	IN	St John	Jeff Iacobazzi	
New Castle	IN	Holy Trinity		Brian Derrer
Richmond	IN	St John	Jim Culver	
Cold Spring	KY	St Luke	Dennis Zimmerman	
Evansville	IN	Shepherd of the Hills		Don Gray
Linton	IN	Trinity	John Stacy	
Loogootee	IN	St John	Cindy Geisen	
Edinburgh	IN	St. George	Jerry Curry	Jim Kuchera
Camden/Delphi	IN	St Peter/St Matthew	Scott Vana	
Crawfordsville	IN	Christ	Jennifer Osheim-Owen	
Kokomo	IN	Christ		Sharon Walker
Angola	IN	Calvary	Angela Shannon	
Fort Wayne	IN	Faith		Richard Hartman
LaOtto	IN	Emmanuel	David Stephey	
Wabash	IN	Trinity	Larry May	
Valparaiso	IN	Christ	John Hawkins	
Brookville	IN	St Thomas	Donn Abdon	
Sunman	IN	St. John	Chad Adamik	
Versailles	IN	St. Paul		Ron Haseley

## SEARCHING FOR CANDIDATES

*Searching for Candidates: Once the Ministry Site Profile is submitted, the Bishop's office searches for qualified candidates who would bring the skills and values that would match well with the congregation. When the Bishop has found candidates that have the desired gifts, the candidate(s) are submitted to the Call Committee. The congregation then moves to the next category.*

	State	Congregation	Interim	Vacancy Pastor
Fort Wayne	IN	St. John	Vern Graham	
Louisville	KY	First	Judy Brennan	
Smyrna	IN	St. Paul		Robin Owen
Sunman	IN	Zion	Ken Witt	

## INTERVIEWING/EXTENDING CALLS

*Interviewing/Extending Call: Congregations who have received one or more candidates interview those candidates. If none of those candidates is the right one for the congregation, the congregation will move back into the "Searching" category. If a candidate is extended and accepts a call, the congregation is removed from the list.*

### INTERVIEWING/EXTENDING CALLS

Columbia City	IN	Grace	Joyce Gerwing
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### CALLS ACCEPTED - 2011

Lexington	KY	Gethsemane	Laura Altman
Milan	IN	St. Paul	Sue Socha
Angola	IN	Calvary - Interim	Angela Shannon
Louisville	KY	St Paul	Shirley Ross-Jones
Richmond	KY	St. Thomas	Barry Neese
Elwood	IN	St John	Mary Lundquist
Jasper	IN	Redeemer - Interim	Jennifer Osheim-Owen
Valparaiso	IN	Valparaiso University	Brian Johnson
Valparaiso	IN	Valparaiso University	Charlene Cox
Indianapolis	IN	Asst. to the Bishop	Heather Apel
Gary	IN	Bethel	Rob Saler
Fort Wayne	IN	Gethsemane	Debra Meuter
St. John	IN	Holy Shepherd	Mike Zurek
Richmond	IN	St. Paul	Bob Meckley
Richmond	IN	St. John – Interim	Jim Culver
Elwood	IN	St. John – Interim	Jeff Iacobazzi
Lexington	KY	Bluegrass Hospice	Mr. Gerald Klim
Kokomo	IN	Habitat for Humanity	Mark Sloss
Indianapolis	IN	Bethany	Michelle Elfers
Indianapolis	IN	Cross and Crown	Christine Wulff
Jasper	IN	Redeemer	Adam Ruschau
Valparaiso	IN	Christ - Interim	Erica Gibson-Even