



Ears to Hear.....Hearts to Love.....Wills Devoted to Serve

Dear Church of Our Redeemer Family,

The phrases above from the Prayer for Church of Our Redeemer express the heart of our mission. Father John has demonstrated these important principles in his faithful shepherding of our Parish. In his retirement, we wish him and Denise happiness, health and contentment and we will miss them greatly. This new chapter in Father John's life also opens up an exciting chapter in the continuing story of Church of Our Redeemer.

The Vestry has studied the transition process, met with the Diocese and most importantly sought God's guidance on our next steps. We look forward to working together as a Parish in determining our short and long term goals. We begin this process with our first Town Hall/Congregational Meeting on May 22nd at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall where we present our timeline for selecting our new Priest and elicit feedback from the Parish who will be an integral part of the process.

During the next months, our services and activities will continue as planned with additional opportunities for fellowship and participation. In order to make this a successful process, we all must be committed to working together. Here are some ways to participate:

- Pray
- Attend Town Hall/Congregational Meetings
- Provide feedback
- Attend church and coffee hour
- Participate in special activities
- Volunteer your time, talent and treasure

The Vestry has arranged for a Priest on Sundays to lead worship and administer the sacraments, as well as, for a Priest-on-Call for any pastoral needs during the week. In addition, there will be a Vestry member on call at all times.

Communication is of utmost importance and the Vestry is taking great care to be transparent and informative. We will provide the following:

- Weekly Sunday updates
- Weekly E-blasts
- Website – <https://aldiechurch.org/parish-transition-process/>
- Additional congregational meetings
- Parish survey
- Vestry minutes (on Parish bulletin board and in church office)
- Vestry meetings open to everyone on the second Monday of each month

Please feel free to address questions or concerns to any Vestry member on Sunday morning or via email at the following:

Patti Gile – pgile50@gmail.com
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Susan Hollinger – sgholl@yahoo.com
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We have also set up a designated email - transition.redeemeraldie@gmail.com that you may use to contact the vestry at any time with questions or concerns regarding the transition process.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support as we travel this exciting path together.

Church of Our Redeemer Vestry,

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