

Session Update

At its January meeting Session celebrated the programs of our Congregational Care department. We received presentations about the essential work of our Stephen Ministers, Deacons, and Prayer teams. Session members expressed great appreciation for the incredible amount and quality of care demonstrated by these dedicated members of our church family. Administration department and pastors led discussion of the current giving shortfall and proposed response. Pastors presented the key steps of Start, Grow, and Pray to immediately communicate with our congregation.

Pastoral staff presented slight refinement of the proposed *MVPC Denominational Relations Plan*. Since the first reading pastors had responded to the additional questions of Session and created an FAQ to guide the discussion. Session voted confirmation of the plan. Over the next several months the congregation can expect to hear more about this plan.

Farewell Events Committee

The Purpose of the Farewell Events Committee is to celebrate the ways God has worked through Jim and Joy's years of ministry at MVPC. Committee members include: Donny Bergen (co-chair), Bob Holt (co-chair), Roy & WJ Balzer, Eloise Bergen, Karyn Bergen, Steve & Hank Hagman, Rich & Karen Holine, Bill Irwin, Al Lundmark, George & Janice Nickelson, Tad & Karen Slocum, Steve & Dona Snow, and Dick & Marcy Terry. Please keep these people and their work together as a committee in your prayers.

Save the Dates!

Saturday, May 21st – Farewell Dinner for Jim & Joy Rueb

Sunday, May 22nd – Jim & Joy's last Sunday in Worship

Nominating Committee

Elders and Deacons prayerfully lead and serve our MVPC family. The Nominating Committee – Jeff Weaver (Chair), Stan Oberg, Karyn Bergen, Bill Grubbs, Sandy Busboom, Dick Terry and Leann Rodowicz – would like to hear from you regarding those you think would make good candidates to fill these important roles in our church.

Please contact any member of the committee or committee chair Jeff Weaver before February 13th with your nominations: 631-1703; jeff.weaver@wellscap.com. Include your name and contact information as well as the name of the person you would like to nominate for elder or deacon. Thank you!