

# **VOTE TO EXTEND A CALL TO LEAD PASTOR CANDIDATE**

We are excited to present the candidate for Lead Pastor at the upcoming Annual Meeting.

This candidate demonstrates gifts for ministry that we as a congregation value. She has served in both congregational and synod office settings, sees faith formation as a gift of our church and is energized by people using their gifts together. She is excited to join us in creating a space where the “all” in “all are welcome” means welcoming all people to nurture a relationship with God, from the youngest seeker to the oldest among us. She hopes that her openly queer identity will also help us to live into that welcome and foster a space where those who have been hurt by the church can find community. This candidate’s gifts in administration and vision setting will be exciting to engage as Saint Andrew lives into its next steps.

All of those involved in the call process have found her to be warm, compassionate, thoughtful and energizing. We believe she will be a great addition to the ministry of Saint Andrew Lutheran Church. It is clear to us that this candidate loves Jesus and is excited to be a part of this congregation - a congregation that seeks to live out our discipleship both within and outside the walls of Saint Andrew.

The annual meeting will be part of the January 30, 9:15 am service. We will be voting, per the recommendation of the Call Committee and Church Council, to formally extend the call to this candidate to be our next Lead Pastor. Due to confidentiality, we are not able to share her name, picture or videos until the annual meeting.

Come learn more about who we feel the Holy Spirit is leading into this ministry we share!