CALL FORUM MARCH 15/18/19, 2018

What is the new call pastor has been issued?

The call is to serve as director of evangelism for the entire synod.

Pastor would be working with congregations around the country, making presentations, encouraging more congregations to do more evangelism, and developing materials for evangelism by use in congregations.

Why is there a vacancy?

This is not a new position. The position has existed for decades. The former director of evangelism, Pastor Mike Hintz, retired at the end of 2017.

Why is this a call for a pastor and not a lay person?

1. The call would involve much preaching for evangelism Sundays in congregations.

2. The call would involve spiritual and pastoral leadership for congregations and pastors all over the synod.

3. The call would involve a lot of work with pastors and presentation to pastors, which is often best done by a pastor.

4. This is not an ivory tower position or merely administrative. It requires a pastor with evangelism experience in a congregation.

What about this call is a pull on pastor's heart?

The opportunity to influence our entire synod in the area of evangelism.

The opportunity to work with a variety of congregations and pastors around the country. The call to serve in this position is a great honor and demonstrates a respect given by pastors all over our synod. The call was issued by the conference of presidents, the twelve district presidents who serve all over the country.

What about the ministry at Resurrection is a pull on pastor's heart?

I like being a pastor and serving God's people.

The opportunity to continue to serve with Vicars. (I would no longer serve with Vicars if I accepted the call and it is very unlikely Resurrection would continue to have Vicars.) There are many exciting things at Resurrection: opportunities to teach Bible 101, our ten year target and ministry plans, the opportunity to expand to more sites, regular preaching and teaching of God's Word to a congregation.

I love serving at Resurrection and at a congregation. I think I would also love serving as director of evangelism for our synod.

Please, your questions/comments. And please, please, your prayers.