

Resources for you to use as you begin working on your Congregation's Ministry Site Profile

To aid the council as you begin your work on the Ministry Site Profile, the synod has prepared two survey forms for the congregation's input.

- 1) Transition Survey As a first step in the call process, this survey asks congregational members about the closure with the departing pastor, gives a snapshot of their thoughts about the congregation's ministry, and asks for insight about a future pastor.
- 2) Pastoral Gifts and Tasks This form requests congregational input which is directly related to the Ministry Site Profile (items 11 and 12).

These forms should be distributed to as many members of the congregation as possible. Hard copies are included in this packet, and can be photocopied and handed out on Sunday morning or mailed as needed. Online google forms are also available as links to put on your congregational website or in an email to your members. The goal is to get as many responses as possible in order to accurately reflect the views of your congregation when completing your Ministry Site Profile. Allow ample time for members of the congregation to respond on the survey forms and return them to you.

After the deadline date, forward all of the completed forms to the synod office. A member of the synod staff will compile the information; and we will send you an objective, unbiased summary of the "Congregational Survey", and a tabulation of the "Pastoral Gifts and Tasks" form. It is our hope that these documents will help you as you complete your Ministry Site Profile and the Seven Reflections on Ministry and Context; giving you a good synopsis of the congregation's thoughts relative to pastoral gifts and tasks, and ministry needs of the congregation. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments after you read over the tabulation and summaries, please call the synod office.

If you would like additional help assessing your congregation's mission and ministry, Pastor Elise Rothfusz, our synod's Director for Evangelical Mission is available to meet with your council.