

## *Lake Superior Interfaith Community Church*

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Fall greetings to you, dear church family!

As your board of trustees, we are reaching out at this time to share important information about upcoming issues and events. Please read through our letter.

**First** of all, we want to remind you that our Annual Meeting and election of trustees will take place at 10:30 on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in serving as a trustee, please let president Carol Kari or any board member know. We may have a slate of candidates by the meeting, but nominations from the floor are also accepted.

Our bylaws require that we renew our membership annually, and you must be a member in order to vote in our election or be a trustee. Also according to the bylaws, candidates must be an 'active voting member' of the congregation.

You may renew your membership either in person or by mail, by filling out the membership form and making a donation in any amount.

As an additional incentive to attend our meeting, we are having our annual Book Sale and fundraiser that day from 10:00-1:15. Drop-off day for books, CDs, and DVDs is the previous Sunday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

And happily, our friend Rev. Phyllis McCoy will be our speaker that day. Her topic will be "All Things Are Connected".

**Secondly**, we want to inform you of two proposed changes to our bylaws. These changes will not be voted on until December 4<sup>th</sup>, because we are required to give members of the congregation adequate notice to consider the changes.

Change number 1: The number of board trustees will be permanently reduced from seven to **five**. We have received advice from three different sources (including Rev. Hutchinson, known fondly as 'the Rev') that having a board of five members will best suit our needs at this time.

Change number 2: The elected officers will return to just the president and vice president (meaning that the secretary and treasurer will be chosen by the members of the board itself, not elected by the congregation). It was done this way successfully for many years, and we feel that it is appropriate to return to this format.

This may seem like a lot to digest, but for many of us, the annual meeting and elections are routine annual events. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to voice them at church, or send us an email.

We look forward to seeing you soon, and we are grateful that you are a member of our church family!

From the LSICC board of trustees,

Carol Kari

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