## Hello Church!

Welcome to September! I hope you all have found new or familiar routines as we transition from summer to fall. As we are moving into a new season, I wanted to update you on a few topics from the Leadership Board.

## Two new congregations at Roseville campus

We're excited to share that two new congregations are renting worship space at the Roseville campus. Ebenezer Church began holding services on August 1, and International Miracle Makers began on September 1. Please join us in giving them a warm and heartfelt welcome as they settle into their new worship home!

## Progress with insurance appraisal panel

Regarding our insurance claims for roof damage at both campuses, the long-awaited insurance appraisal panel meeting was held in early August. This panel reviews evidence and damage to determine the final settlement amount, and their decision is usually binding. There are a few more questions the panel wants to address, but this is good progress. We hope to have a final determination soon.

## **Our Future Together updates**

In August, we shared that we had signed a contract for design services with Miller-Dunwiddie to help guide us in exploring options for consolidating into one location. Their work will begin in September with a review of current building assessments and stakeholder meetings, continuing through the fall as they develop initial designs. The process will pause in December so we can be fully present during the Advent season. We anticipate a congregation-wide meeting in January to review their findings and designs.

Also in August, we held initial discussions with two real estate teams to gather high-level estimates for the Roseville and St. Anthony Park campuses, should one or both be sold. Their estimates aligned with a recent appraisal completed for insurance purposes. One important takeaway is that selling either location could take 12 months or longer to complete.

Just as we transition from summer to fall, we're also transitioning in the Our Future Together process. I think about this journey as considering three questions: Where are we? Where do we hope to be? How will we get there? These questions are not about our physical location, but about our future state.

In my view, we have been working on the "Where are we?" question these past few months. This fall and early next year, the Miller-Dunwiddie team will help us work on the question "Where do we hope to be?" After that we will address the question of how we get there.

Please reach out to me, any member of the Leadership Board, or Pastor Jen if you have any questions.

Regards,

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