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Dear Fellow Advent Parishioners:

As we embark on a hopeful year together, we would like to introduce the Discernment Committee to you. The Discernment Committee was to be commissioned at church January 9th, having been approved by vestry in December. This diverse group of faithful people is well balanced between newer and long-time members, individuals with a variety of church involvement and gifts, and members from different life-stages.

The primary charge of the Discernment Committee is to understand what the congregation seeks in a new rector and to discern together which candidate best matches what the congregation wants--not to select who we want as a rector, but who you want. The full charge and all other information related to the search can be found on the Advent website under Clergy Transition [[click here](#)]. Feel free to speak to any member of the Discernment Committee. We will be transparent about the process, but must hold details about individual candidates in confidence.

Information on your hopes and desires for Advent will be gathered using a survey from Holy Cow Consulting that will launch on January 24th. More information on this congregational assessment tool will be forthcoming, but in the meantime, give some thought and prayer to imagining what Advent can and should be in the years to come.

Your prayers are essential to this discernment process. Advent's prayer team developed a wonderful daily prayer tool for all of us to use. You can find it here on our website or pick up a paper copy in the narthex. Please pray regularly for each other, Advent, for the candidates, and for the Discernment Committee.

Faithfully,
Sally Palic and Kim Hoeschel
Discernment Committee, Co-Chairs

Meet The Advent Discernment Committee

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP p. 818



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Meet The Advent Discernment Committee



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