

MVUUF in Transition Timeline

Search for a New Settled Minister

Task	Approximate Timing
Finding Direction	
Ministerial Settlement Representative (Rev. Barbara Child) comes to MVUUF and preaches about Search Process on a Sunday	January 12, 2014
Congregation elects Search Committee (SC) at specially called congregational meeting	April 2014
Completing the Self-Study	
SC begins working with UUA regional consultants	April 2014 - Jan 2015
UUA facilitator conducts Beyond Categorical Thinking Workshop with congregation	June – Sept 2014
SC creates, distributes, analyzes and shares results of congregational survey and other information gathering.	June – Oct 2014
Framing the Search	
SC composes congregational record (CR) and compiles information packet for interested ministers	July – Nov 2014
SC completes online Application for minister and online Congregational Record	No later than Nov 30, 2014
Beginning the Search	
SC begins official search after regional approval	by Nov 30, 2014
SC receives and evaluates ministers' packets; and conducts group phone interviews	Jan – early Feb, 2015
SC selects and schedules three or four pre-candidates for week-end visits, including preaching in out-of-town pulpits	Feb– early March, 2015
Selecting and Electing the Candidate	
SC selects first choice candidate and conducts reference and background checks	March - April, 2015
SC makes offer to selected candidate	April 4, 2015, no earlier than noon
SC announces candidacy	April 2015
Candidacy week – candidate spends a week with MVUUF and conducts two Sunday services. At end of second service, congregation votes on whether to call the candidate as our settled minister.	April – June 2015
Interim minister completes term of service with MVUUF	July 31, 2015
Welcoming the New Settled Minister	
New settled minister arrives	Aug – Sept 2015