



Regional Minister Report

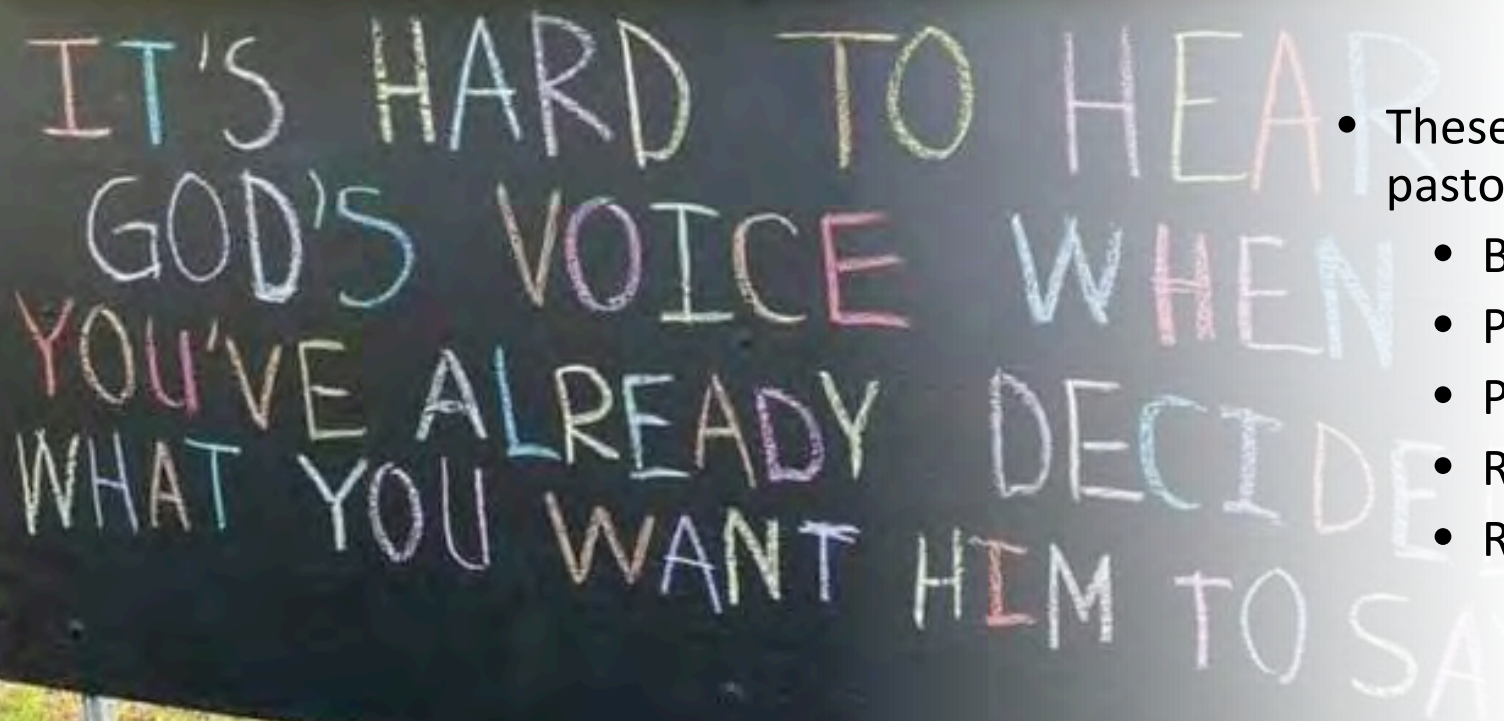
- Regional Board
- Meeting on June 27, 2022

Thank you for continued Sabbatical Support!

- Using 27 of my vacation days, Donna and I went on a week-long retreat with the Center for Courage and Renewal, visited sacred spaces in Ireland, Northern Ireland, and Scotland, learned much about the history of racism in medieval Europe, and interviewed the current pastor of the church where Thomas Campbell preached.



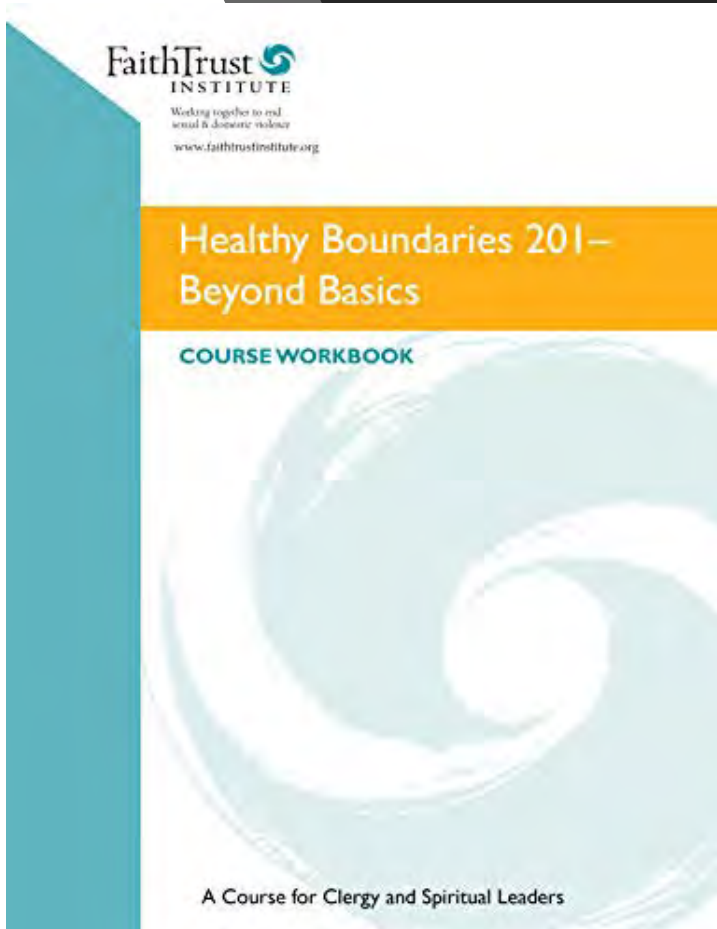
Congregations in Transition



IT'S HARD TO HEAR
GOD'S VOICE WHEN
YOU'VE ALREADY DECIDED
WHAT YOU WANT HIM TO SAY

- These congregations are seeking pastors:
 - Blue Springs (Interim)
 - Park Hill
 - Pleasant Hill (Interim)
 - Raymore
 - Raytown (Interim)

New Skills



- I completed the Faith Trust Institute Healthy Boundaries Facilitator Training in May
- I will be leading three Healthy Boundaries Trainings this summer and fall that will be open to congregational leaders as well as clergy.
- At least one of these workshops will be online and open to all Regions
- Cost will be limited to workbook purchase to make it more accessible

Tri-Regional Partnership

- Our Region's representatives are joining peers in Kansas and Nebraska Regions in August for a workshop in [Leading for Change](#).
- Our Region will host online workshops required for clergy continuing education for all three Regions – one way that we are demonstrating the potential of partnership



General Church Work



- Governance Committee will launch conversations about proposed changes to the Design this summer
- The Clergy Support Team is expanding our care for clergy with General Commission standing
 - I chair these teams and appreciate your support for doing that

Coming up . . .

We will decide (with help from 5 Learning/Discerning Sessions) about the future of Tall Oaks at the September 26 Board meeting kcdisciples.org/TODR

26 Sep.

December

I am asking our Board to prepare to receive in December a recommendation for a season of discernment about the future of our Region with a goal of a decision before the end of 2023



Special Thanks

- Ms. Jenna Beck
- Rev. Dr. Lara Blackwood Pickrel
- Rev. Laura Phillips

Each of these leaders has worked diligently to assure a great summer church camp experience for KC Disciples at Tall Oaks while Rev. Yost-Soltani is away

