



November 10, 2008

Dear Church Family:

Eighteen months ago the Lord impressed upon me a life theme from the Gospel of Luke. In Luke 5:4, Jesus nudges Peter away from the comfort and familiarity of the shoreline into the deep waters of risk and adventure; "Put out into the deep water and let your nets down for a catch." A year and a half ago I began sensing God's call to a place of deep water – a call that eventually led me to Clear Lake Presbyterian Church.

Since arriving in March 2008 we have experienced more adventure together than any of us could have imagined! Anytime I get a twinge of doubt or discouragement (and they do get me sometimes), I am reminded that this is exactly what I prayed for. And, all the wide open opportunities and challenges facing our congregation at this time is evidence that God has us together for a reason.

I invite you to join the deep water adventure of what God is doing at CLPC in a tangible way with your financial resources. This weekend, November 15 and 16, is our annual pledge weekend. During each worship service you will have opportunity to bring forward the enclosed commitment card. Please give prayerful thought to your contribution.

Our primary work in the coming year is to assemble a cohesive and dynamic staff team of servant leaders. While this important work for the future goes on, it is imperative we maintain our commitments to existing programs and advance them.

I am blessed to have stepped into the deep waters of an extraordinarily generous congregation and am confident that your generosity will continue.

Yours in the Deep,

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