

# An Important Announcement

Dear RLC Family,

After considerable thought, prayer, and conversation with Cathie, I have decided that the time has come for me to retire from parish ministry at the end of this year.

**My last Sunday with the congregation will be December 27, and my final working day will be December 31, 2026.**

There will be much more to share in the weeks ahead about the transition process and what comes next for RLC. For now, I simply want everyone in the congregation to hear this news at the same time and directly from me.

We still have nearly three months of ministry together, and I fully intend to be your pastor throughout that time. There will be opportunities later for reminiscing, celebrating, and saying our goodbyes. But we're not there quite yet!

I am deeply grateful for the ministry we have shared and for the privilege of serving as your pastor. I also trust that God is already at work in whatever comes next—for this congregation, for Cathie and me, and for the ministry we continue to share between now and the end of December.

If you have questions, please feel free to speak with me or with any member of the Congregation Council.

In Christ,

*Pastor Bill*