

From: Pastor Bill, Pastor Kristen, and Gerald Possai (Staff Parish Relations Committee Chair)

To: Bemus Point United Methodist Church Family

Date: April 5, 2020

Dear BPUMC Family,

On behalf of our Staff-Parish Relations Committee, Bishop Mark Webb, and District Superintendent Suzanne Block, it is our joy to share with you that Pastor Joe Pascoe will be coming to us as our next Lead Pastor as of July 1st.

Please watch this short video to find out more: <https://youtu.be/B9suhUFQhjQ>

Pastor Joe is the Lead Pastor at Park UMC in Sinclairville, and will continue in that role as he also assumes the role of Lead Pastor here at BPUMC. This creates a new model of regional ministry in which two separate churches with their own staffs are overseen by one Lead Pastor. Pastor Joe will be working with our Staff-Parish Relations Committee to build a pastoral team that will be unique to BPUMC. Our current staff will remain in place, and we will continue ministry as Bemus Point UMC.

Our Bishop Rev. Mark Webb, DS Rev. Suzanne Block, and our Pastor-Parish Relations Committee have met with Pastor Joe and are excited about the possibilities for impacting our neighbors for Christ that this regional model of ministry holds. Pastor Joe has strong leadership skills along with a deep and winsome faith, and we are looking forward to the many gifts he will bring to this church.

Please join us in thanking God for his provision!

In Christ,

Gerald Kristen Bill