



An announcement from the Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee ...

We, on the SPPR Committee, were introduced via a Zoom video conference to our next pastor, who will begin July 1st. The new pastor is **Reverend Robert Dean**, who is being appointed by Bishop Webb to provide pastoral leadership for our congregation. The Conference Cabinet has identified these vital gifts in Rev. (Rob) Dean: a down to earth personality, an inclusive and progressive theology, a good preacher and worship designer, an interest in community outreach and a vision to reach the un-churched, and he is also good at pastoral care.

The Rev. Dean is an ordained Elder, having served at the [Maine, NY Federated Church](#) for the past six years. He brings with him his wife **Kayti**, who works in the mental health field, and also is studying for the ministry. I am sure that they will bring **Grace, Joy and Hope** to our church. Grace is their 12 year old, Joy is their 10 year old, and Hope is their 2 year old --- three daughters!

Please feel free to ask our committee members for more details during this transition. Over the next few months we will put together a transition team to help welcome Rev. Dean and his family. If anyone would like to join the transition team, please contact me.

Please pray for all of the churches and pastors involved in this move.

Peter and the SPPR Committee

2020 Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee Members: Mary Louise Gallagher, Charlie Dyke, Karen Dean, Peter Cooke (Chair), Paula Austic, Mary Ochs, Sylvia Mitchell, Susan Lodinsky, Judi Eastburn (Lay Leader), Natalie Scholl (Pastor)
