

As Christ Church journeys through a season of prayer, listening, and learning together, the **Affiliation Discernment Process Timeline** will be a helpful resource. It includes the preparation that has brought us to this point, as well as dates and times for upcoming events that will help everyone keep their eyes on Jesus as we pray, listen, and learn. You are encouraged to engage as you are able.

Christ Church Sugar Land Affiliation Discernment Process Timeline, Updated 09/08/2022

Learn and Prepare - June 2022 - August 2022

J29 Task Force will:

- Gather information
- Set up J29 email
- Develop a FAQ
- Develop a Glossary
- Develop J29 website/webpage content. Target for going live is early August.
- Gather questions for the Small Group Listening Tour
- Develop "Talking Points" for the Small Group Listening Tour
- Develop J29 presentation and agenda for Town Hall Gathering
- Attend the TAC District Future Discernment Task Force presentation August 7, 2022

Engage and Communicate – July/August/September/October, 2022

July 11, 2022 - J29 gmail account goes live.

Early August, 2022 - Congregational letter #1 via email and USPS

August 1, 2022 - Website link to Discernment web page goes live on Christ Church webpage.

August 7, 2022 - District Discernment Meeting at St. Peter's in Katy (4:00-5:30).

August 15, 2022 - Joint meeting of the Trustees and Finance to consider affiliation implications

August 28, 2022 - Distribute the DailyPrayer guide (printed and online link).

September 25, 2022 – **4:00 pm-Called Church Conference** - Members present at the September 25th, Church Conference will vote on whether to call an October 12, 2022, Church Conference for an affiliation vote. **Following the September Church Conference vote, the regularly scheduled Church Council meeting will be called to order.**

September 26, 2022 - Congregational letter #2 via email and USPS to announce the decision regarding calling an October 12, 2022, Church Conference

October 2, 2022 - Last day to join the church if desiring to vote, should a vote be called

October 12, 2022 – Church Conference, date reserved for a possible Church Conference affiliation vote, based on the September Church Conference vote results.

- Confirmed members present will vote by ballot.

Discernment Process Timeline – September 1 - October 10, 2022

Prayer and Listening for God's Guidance

Enter this phase with the following core values

- Grace
 - Peace
 - Love
 - In the spirit of John Wesley...Do no harm
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- **August 17, 2022, Daily Prayer Walk (at the church) SignUpGenius** for members to select dates to participate opens. Sign-up will also be available at the front desk.
 - **September 1, 2022 - October 10, 2022, Daily Prayer Walk**, inside and outside
 - **September 1, 2022, 12:29 pm Daily Moment of Prayer** begins.
 - **October 10-12, 2022, a labyrinth** will be set up in the sanctuary for prayer walks.

Prayer and Listening to the Members of Christ Church

Small Group Listening Tour (ex. Home Groups, Sunday School classes, Bible Study Groups, etc.) use talking points to share information and hear the questions/concerns of the congregation.

- Dates will be scheduled as requested by small groups.
 - Using existing structures, Home Groups, Bible Studies, Sunday School classes, etc., the task force and pastors will share affiliation information/conversations with small groups.
- **September 19, 2022:**
 - **Monday Morning Coffee** with pastors and task force members, **10:00-11:30 am**, in Jacob's Well.
 - **Monday Night Desserts** with pastors and task force members, **6:00-7:30 pm**, in Jacob's Well
- **October 10, 2022:**
 - **Monday Morning Coffee** with pastors and task force members, **8:30-10:00 am**, in Jacob's Well.
 - **Monday Night Desserts** with pastors and task force members, **7:00-8:30 pm**, in Jacob's Well

Prayer and Education for the Members of Christ Church:

September 18, 2022 - Town Hall Educational Meeting, 4:00-6:00 pm, live in the sanctuary and live streamed. Affiliation information will be presented by guest pastors followed by a time for questions and answers. Questions will be submitted by text or question cards, which will be provided. For those on livestream, questions may only be submitted via text.

October 9, 2022 - Town Hall Educational Meeting, 4:00-6:00 pm, live in the sanctuary and live streamed. Affiliation information will be presented by guest pastors followed by a time for questions and answers. Questions will be submitted by text or question cards, which will be provided. For those on livestream, questions may only be submitted via text.

Childcare will be available during all events.