



LOVE ALL, SERVE ALL, IN JESUS' NAME

October 3, 2023

Gloria Dei Church Congregation,

Church Council is very excited for you to meet Pastor Brendan Galvin, who we are highly recommending to you as our term-call pastor for a period of two years. In a previous letter to the congregation, we explained the Term Call process that the Council had engaged in with the Synod. We have met with him several times, interviewed him, heard him preach two sermons, and have had many conversations with him. We believe that he would be an excellent fit for Gloria Dei Church. We think you will love his energy and enthusiasm.

Pastor Brendan was an ordained Methodist pastor and anticipates becoming ordained into the ELCA within the next year. He is married with a wife and a 2-year-old daughter and lives in Lansdale. At this time, he will not be using the parsonage but may at some future date. His most recent experience was Pastor of Parish and Youth in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Doylestown and is on an interesting spiritual journey of his own. His skills are team building and leadership development, teaching and public speaking, strategic visioning and design thinking.

Pastor Brendan will be here on **Sunday, October 22** at one service at **10:00 am** to meet and preach for us. Immediately after the service, you will be asked to vote to accept Pastor Brendan as our term-call pastor starting immediately. If the vote is in the affirmative, there will be an opportunity for fellowship in Sacred Grounds after worship and the vote.

Six months before the end of the 2-year term-call, the Council and Pastor Brendan can agree whether to continue or end the relationship. If both parties agree to continue, the Council will recommend to the congregation that the call be regularized, and once again the congregation will have the opportunity to vote on the call.

Thank you sincerely for your prayerful consideration,

GDC Church Council