



August 6, 2017

## Search and Call Summit

Saturday, August 12th

9:00 am—12:noon @ St. Luke's UCC, Trappe



Join us for a "Search and Call Summit" to explore best practices for search committees and tips for completing the new Local Church Profile.

This is an opportunity to learn from others who are going through the search process and your conference staff. This event would

be especially beneficial to interim pastors, search committees, church leaders that anticipate having a search over the next few years (will your pastor be retiring?), and churches that want to use the new Local Church Profile as an assessment tool.

All congregations of the United Church of Christ are being encouraged to complete parts of the Local Church Profile when they are **not** in a time of transition. This will serve to help churches look at the work that can be done now, when the leadership is stable, and also prepares the church so that a future search can be accomplished much faster than the current two-year minimum.

This event is free, but you must register, so that we can have materials ready. Register at the PSEC website, [psec.org](http://psec.org).

Contact Rev. Sharon Morris ([morris@psec.org](mailto:morris@psec.org) or 484-949-8774 ext. 302) with any questions.

## The 3 Great Loves Initiative

**What is Three Great Loves?** It is a call to the love of children, to the love of neighbor, and to the love of creation," Dorhauer told the gathering on Saturday morning, July 1. "During the next biennium, we want to discover what an entire denomination committed to Three Great Loves can do to change the world."

About the 3 Great Loves Initiative

The United Church of Christ has a vision of a just world for all. In this world all are welcomed, everyone is loved and justice is inherent. The 3 Great Loves is the denomination's opportunity to express how our Love of Neighbor, Love of Children, and Love of Creation work together to address the inequities in our current world.

Beginning at Synod 2017 and ending at Synod 2019, through the lens of the 3 Great Loves, the United Church of Christ in its many settings of ministry will discern and lift up how we act upon these 3 Great

Loves. As we do so, we will tell the story of how we are impacting and transforming the world, as covenantal partners united in common purpose and mission.

During these upcoming two years, there will be moments of special invitation to participate in this denomination-wide undertaking. One by one we will focus on each of the 3 Great Loves in service to our communities.

**Love of Neighbor** - How does your church incarnate the love of Jesus in seeking to love your neighbor?

**Love of Children** - How does your church embody its love for children?

**Love of Creation** - How does your church uphold the mandate to steward the Earth by demonstrating a love for creation?



Follow the 3 Great Loves initiative at <http://3greatloves.uccpages.org/> !