

May 1, 2012

Dear FIUCC Congregant:

During February the ONA Task Force wrote a draft resolution and statement that was presented to the Deaconate and the Church Council for input during their March meetings. Both groups enthusiastically endorsed the drafts.

Attached you will find the draft resolution and statement. This mailing is the first step in bringing the resolution to a vote. An informal group meeting will be held during Wednesday Night Live at 7:00 pm on May 9, 2012 to discuss any possible alterations to the resolution and statement, and where the statement might appear (e.g. website, placard on the wall, rainbow symbol.) The draft resolution will be printed and available to the congregation in the narthex on May 6 and May 13 per the bylaws.

At the annual meeting on May 20, after the regular business is concluded, Carolyn Curls will yield the floor to Bill Fox, the ONA Task Force chairperson, and he will read the draft resolution and statement, call for a motion and second, and invite BRIEF statements from congregants during a discussion period. After the call for questions, the clerks will distribute, collect and count the paper ballots.

Thank you for your interest in this important step for our congregation. Please join us on May 9th with any questions or insights you would like to share. If you can't join us May 9th, please send any written questions or insight to any ONA Committee member via email or to Patty Metzger at 1036 Hyak Drive, Fox Island and they will bring them to the Q & A session.

Sincerely in Christ,

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