Canoeing the Mountains 45-MinuteConversations

9:15am in the Gallery/11:45am in the Front of the Church

Gathering/Opening Prayer (2 mins)

Introduction (25 mins)

* What is this all about? (Why are we here?)
* How did we get here?
* What do we hope to accomplish? (Where is this all leading?)

How do YOU feel about this conversation about adaptive change? (12 mins)

* Feeling Words
* Hopes & Concerns

Next Steps: Where Do We Go From Here? (6 mins)

* Step One: A Series of Four Questions
  + #1: Can you remember a significant change at St. Matthew’s (or another church you engaged in) in the past, that you were worried about, but is now the norm?
* Creation of Ongoing Discernment Conversations – Information, Conversations, Feedback Loops – Please Plug in and Participate Where You Can (This only works best if each one of us participates)!
  + Weekday Book Group Study
  + Sunday Mornings - Sermons, Announcements, Formation Conversations
  + St. Matthew’s Book Group Conversation – Fall meeting tba
  + October27 – November 10: Cottage Meetings
  + Reports to Parish & Leadership Groups
    - Website (See Tabs for “Canoeing”) – Visit Periodically for Updates
  + Future Parish Conversations
  + Your ideas!
* Formation of a Working Group to Oversee St. Matthew’s Ongoing Process of Discernment
  + Personal discernment/Listening: Is God calling you to help lead this effort?
* Ultimately Planning, Implementing, and Evaluating Adaptive Change Experiments

Closing Prayer