

## **Pastoral Care Ministry**

One of Jesus's key ministries was that of presence with those in need, a ministry he clearly charges his disciples (us) to continue. At St. Michael's, we are beginning a Pastoral Care Team. Over the years, we've had various incarnations of this ministry, but with a growing congregation, we recognize the need to have a more formal pastoral care ministry.

If you are interested in being part of the Pastoral Care Team, we'll have an introductory lunch gathering on Sunday, January 14th, following the 10:30 am service. That's Second Sunday as well. We'll talk about the basics of pastoral care, explore our call to this ministry, and find a time to gather for more in-depth training.

To be part of St. Michael's Pastoral Care Team, you don't need prior experience in pastoral care. You simply need a sense of the importance of the ministry of presence with those in our community who need to know they are loved.