

**“We can’t continue like this” – closing, amalgamation, re-imagining or ???**  
**Information to consider and requirements along the way**

If you are a community of faith / pastoral charge, beginning to think about the possibility of amalgamation, disbanding (closing), realignment or reimagining a different future, this will require different resources and different timelines. Please contact the Pastoral Relations Minister, Judy Hare ([jhare@united-church.ca](mailto:jhare@united-church.ca)), or Pat Bird ([its.patricia.hjlp@gmail.com](mailto:its.patricia.hjlp@gmail.com)), Chair of the Committee on Community of Faith Support, as soon as possible in your discussions to access this resource:

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