

CHRIST'S MISSION, OUR MISSION

June 27, 2019

To the Inland West Mission Center

Dear friends,

It is my joy to share with you the news that John VanDerWalker has accepted the position of Inland West Mission Center President effective November 1, 2019. John currently serves as the Samish Island Campground Facility and Business Manager. Previously employed by Community of Christ, John brings 17 years of field ministry experience serving in various capacities, most recently as USA Mission Support Leader.

Inland West Mission Center staff, Advisory Council, and interview team partnered with Community of Christ Human Resources and Director of Field Ministries to conduct the search for a new mission center president to fill the vacancy left by Brad Martell's recent resignation. John plans to attend Inland West Mission Center Conference September 27-29 in Whitehall Montana. His appointment as Mission Center President will be presented to the conference for a sustaining vote. John and Sandy VanDerWalker plan to reside in the greater Spokane Washington area.

I will continue to serve as the Interim Inland West Mission Center President through October 31, 2019.

My thoughts and prayers are with you throughout the summer season. I am especially mindful of all who will participate in the rich Community of Christ camping traditions offered across the mission center, an experience which continues to shape and form us as a people of God.

Love and blessings,

Robin Smkhar

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