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Date: October 10, 2019

From: Rev. Dr. Vertie Powers

To: Chicago Metropolitan Association Congregations, Historical Institutions,
Ordained, Licensed, and Commissioned Ministers

Re: Call to Illinois Conference Acting Associate Conference Minister
with responsibility to Chicago Metropolitan Association

Greetings of God's grace, joy, and peace!

I write to encourage your attendance at "Inside Out: Sharing Our Gifts," the fall gathering of the Chicago Metropolitan Association (CMA).

At the October 19, 2019 Gathering there will be one important addition to the information sent out earlier. A call has been extended to an ordained clergy person and that person is now going through the process of becoming the newly called spiritual leader for CMA. The final step will be accomplished at our Fall Gathering by our voting delegates.

Voting delegates come from each local church with standing in the CMA. Each congregation is allotted two (2) lay delegates plus a youth between 14 and 22 years of age. All our historically related UCC institutions shall appoint one (1) individual as a delegate. All ordained, commissioned, and licensed ministers with standing in the CMA shall be voting members. All Association Council members shall have voting privileges. At each CMA meeting where business is conducted a quorum is necessary. The number for a quorum is seventy-five (75).

If you've already sent in your registrations, there will be a separate sheet at registration to note which attendees are voting delegates. So you do not need to register again as a voting delegate.

Please come and be a part of the ongoing history of the Chicago Metropolitan Association IL Conference of the United Church of Christ. Come and join in this celebration of new beginnings.