



***If you have suggestions or questions for the Affirming Working Group, please contact them by email: [bethanyaffirming@gmail.com](mailto:bethanyaffirming@gmail.com)***

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***IT ALL STARTED IN... response to Session's decision to explore the possibility of Bethany becoming an Affirming Ministry, as defined by the United Church of Canada. As a faith community we seek to understand and celebrate the diversity of humanity as God created us; to find ways to be open, respectful and to feel safe, to welcome people who experience life in different ways from our own, learn from them, and explore positive ways to interact. We want to start a positive conversation, so we all understand what it means to be an Affirming Church. We value your input. Honest, and respectful discussion will enrich our experience as believers. Join us on our journey.***