

DFA – We have got it bad. . . . Denominational Fracture Anxiety.

We do live in unprecedented times as United Methodists. As the clock ticks down to Feb. 23rd and the General Conference prepares to vote on human sexuality, our denomination's unity stands in great peril. We don't know what way the vote will go. We don't know who might be excluded and who might be included in the United Methodist future. We don't even know who "We" will be, come February! Nothing may change, everything may change! It's hard to step into the unknown without some fear and trepidation. But two things we do know:

- 1) We all feel anxiety.
- 2) We most often deal with anxiety best together with God and with each other.

Won't you join us on Sunday January 27th, for a time of healing, worship, prayer, time with Dr. Mary Bellon, Iowa Conference Counselor, and time to talk deeply with each other.

A couple cool and slightly weird things about this meeting:

- 1) We want you to carpool and begin the healing discussions right away. So please include your email address and your point of departure. We'll send you discussion questions and possible carpool riders.
- 2) Please bring your favorite anxiety food to share: Chocolate, potato chips, chocolate, ice cream, chocolate. . . You know what I mean.

So, come, tough guys, fainters, laconic or verbose! Come joins us! It will be better because you're there!

Yours in Christ

Paul