

**Subject:** Pines Church follow up  
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Hello, Micah

I had a few additional questions for Matt Gioia after thinking more about the presentation he gave last evening to the School Committee. I reached out to him this morning, and he asked that I route my questions through you to send to him for answers. My assumption is that he'll provide some answers to you to then route back to me.

I wanted to get a better sense of how the Pines Church approaches issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion and around their messaging around some key issues relevant to marginalized communities. Specifically, I'm curious:

- Is the Pines Church receptive of same-sex marriages? Do they consider marriage only to be between 1 man and 1 woman?
- In addition to my question on marriage, I'm also wondering if Matt can share more information on where the Pines Church stands on issues such as:
  - Access to safe and affordable abortion
  - Access to gender affirming medical care
  - Conversion therapy for LGBTQIA+ individuals (youth and adults)
  - Inclusive sexual education and access to birth control for youth

I'm also curious if we have a School Committee policy on the rental of school space already in place? If so, can you please send to me?

Thanks for your help in addressing my questions for Matt.

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