

March 17, 2020

Dear Members and Friends of Fellowship Presbyterian Church,

On behalf of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC), it is with great excitement that I inform you that Session has called for **special congregational meeting on April 19th after the 9:30AM single worship service**. The purpose of the congregational meeting will be to vote on our recommendation to you for Fellowship's next called and installed pastor and the terms of call.

Having reached this point means that the PNC extended a call to a candidate. The candidate then passed a Suitability and Fit Interview conducted by the Salem Presbytery Commission on Ministry (COM), and the agreed upon terms of call between the candidate and the PNC have been approved.

Presbyterian polity gives the congregation the responsibility of approving the candidate and the terms of call. At the congregational meeting the PNC will introduce the candidate and present the terms of call. Detailed information will be shared by the PNC in written and verbal form as well as a video. The candidate will not be with us.

At this time, an on-sight, in-person worship service and congregational meeting is planned for April 19th, but this may change depending upon CDC recommendations regarding COVID-19. If we have to postpone the meeting, you will be informed. If our recommendation is approved, the new pastor is scheduled to begin at Fellowship on June 1st, with the first Sunday to be June 7th.

In closing this is a defining moment in the life of Fellowship. I encourage everyone to remain united and active in the life of the church. Fellowship offers a rich spiritual experience for its members and Christian kindness to our brothers and sister in our community and in the World. This is an exciting time. With so much happening in our world welcoming a new pastor gives us hope for a bright future.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve and for all the prayers over the past 14 months.

Peace,

Mark

Mark E. Kirstner, PNC Co-chair

PNC Members

Jim Spain-Co-Chair, Steve Brandt, Susan Harman, Charles Layno, Yanique McLeod, Donna Steele

