

Dear Church Family,

We are thankful. We are grateful for the Missions Conference and the encouragement to us as a church in our mission to send many out to let the gospel be known in all the earth; and what a good reminder of one of our core distinctives as a church, to equip and extend through missions, exalting our God. We thank God for blessing the Prayer and Praise Night, for the 40-50 voices lifted in prayer and song for our church and for the world. And we are grateful for the announcement from Marion and Ginger that they are committed to stay until we have found a new lead pastor. We try to avoid being pressured by timeline in this work, as we seek the right man to fit this church, and the Clarks' continued ministry to us keeps such pressure at bay. As always, we are grateful for your prayers—and we pray for all of you, too!—in this time of transition and waiting.

We have reviewed more sermons, received more interested candidates, and are pursuing a few more new leads. We are enjoying some good and deeper discussions with a couple of the candidates that are further in the process; they are asking good questions of us, too! We are grateful for our conversations with Josh Eby, the consultant we mentioned in the last update. Josh Eby is a PCA pastor. He grew up in the PCA in Colorado and California, where his dad served as a church planter. He has served our denomination in a number of ways, including as a church planter, missionary, and founder of a ministry. He's the founder and Executive Director of Vida House, a ministry that supports churches and non-profits working in diverse, distressed, and displaced communities and trains their leaders in and for cross-cultural life and love. He works with PCA churches across the country as a pastoral consultant, specializing in helping churches through pastoral transitions. Josh constantly reminds us, "what is God doing in this? And what does health look like?" We are thankful for his time and for the wisdom he imparts.

What would you like to ask us? What are your thoughts and suggestions? We are scheduling "office hours" again on November 27 and December 4, and we would love for you to come see a couple of us during the fellowship or Sunday school hours on those Sundays. You can use this [link](#) to sign up for a particular time or date. We will host these office hours in the office of Jon Evans (the office between the office manager's and the front room in the office building).

We are thankful for you, our church. We pray as Paul did for the church in Ephesus, "that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the work of his great might." (Ephesians 1:17-19)

In Christ,

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