



To the congregation of Fifth Avenue Baptist:

After coming to a unanimous decision on a candidate, your Pastoral Search committee has requested of Church Council the scheduling of a special business meeting for Sunday, June 26th, 2016 at the conclusion of our 10:45 worship service. The purpose of this special business meeting is to vote on the calling of this candidate as Pastor of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church (and to simultaneously vote on the calling of the Associate Minister of Education).

The Pastoral Search Committee has been engaged in the task of selecting a candidate that meets the needs of the church through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Since the inception of the committee in August of 2015, we have been seeking the will of God with direction from the people of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. We have considered numerous candidates over these last ten months and have now been guided to the selection of one to bring for your consideration. The committee's recommendation meets all the requirements that have been set forth concerning theological orientation, formal education, pastoral experience, spiritual leadership, and vision of ministry.

The visitation weekend will begin on Saturday, June 25th and continue through worship on Sunday, June 26th at which time the candidate will deliver the sermon. Multiple opportunities will be provided throughout that weekend for you to meet and get to know the candidate and the family. This will include a question and answer period during our normal Sunday School hour at 9:30 am on Sunday morning. Detailed profiles will be provided throughout the visitation weekend so that you can make a fully informed decision. The Pastoral Search Committee will be available to help with your understanding of our selection process and to provide our insights on the candidate.

The committee is very pleased and excited to reach this point in our process. We look forward to your full support of the candidate on Sunday, June 26th and your participation in this opportunity to get to know this incredible family that God has brought into our presence.

May God Bless this process,

Fifth Avenue Baptist Pastoral Search Committee