

Senior Pastor Search Updates:

Search Committee Formed

Parish Council is pleased to announce the formation of our Senior Pastor Search Committee. Frank Melnyk will serve as committee Chairman and Dick Johnson will serve as Co-chairman. The role of our Search Committee is to direct the search process from start to finish and to provide to Parish Council a recommendation for nomination of a new Rector. A two-thirds affirmative vote by Parish Council is required to bring a nomination to the congregation for an affirmative majority vote. Our Senior Pastor search process will give our church an opportunity to experience a spiritual journey relying on God's leading and discerning His will as we identify and "call" our next Senior Pastor.



Search Committee: Front: Frank Melnyk, Chairman, Cece Poister, Secretary, Vicki Hays Kunz, Holly Campbell, Bob Scheidmantel, Back: Dave Auman, John Mouganis, Dick Johnson , Co-chairman, Frank Kim, Therone Wade, Sr., Patrick Colletti and Doug Manges

January Update

Focus Groups Conducted - On Jan 19 – 21, approximately 70 parishioners participated in 8 focus groups facilitated by Jim Osterhaus and Chris Joyner from The Armstrong Group (TAG). The primary purpose of these focus groups is to gain an understanding of the church's preferences and priorities in a new senior pastor. Focus group input will be combined with the information gained from the congregational survey and the staff strength analysis to assist the Search Committee in creating the profile of the senior pastor.

February Update

Leadership Retreat Feb. 4-5

The Parish Council, Search Committee and staff leaders participated in a weekend leadership retreat facilitated by Jim Osterhaus and John Holm from the TAG organization. The discussions and exercises laid the groundwork for the Search Committee to construct our Church Profile and our Senior Pastor Profile. These two important documents will be completed prior to the search process being activated.

Search Committee Commissioned

On Sunday February 13, our Senior Pastor Search Committee was commissioned at all four services. Sr. Warden Bob Wagner introduced the members of the Search Committee to the congregation at each service and had the leadership of the church lay hands on the members during a time of prayer. We ask our church family to pray daily for our Search Committee and lift them up in prayer at small group fellowship, bible study and ministry gatherings.

please pray



Most gracious and Heavenly Father, look favorably upon us, the people of Christ Church at Grove Farm, in this time of transition as we search for a Senior Pastor. We pray that we would be guided by the power of the Holy Spirit and strengthened in our mission through You through worship, ministry and fellowship. We pray for the search committee, that their hearts and minds may be open to what Your Spirit is leading them to do. We pray for the Pastor whose name is only known to You alone, that he be open to Your call. Give us grace to follow what You lead us and may Your name be glorified through this entire process. Protect us Lord from the schemes of the enemy. May Your Kingdom come and may Your will be done on earth as in heaven. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

March Update

Prayer Meetings Scheduled

We will be meeting the last Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM in the Cry Room located in the rear of Wilson Hall on the following dates:

March 29, April 26

May 31, June 28

July 26, August 30

September 27, October 25

November 29, December 27

Contact info: Carla Batch, carlasdj@earthlink.net or 412.773.2893

May Update

The Search Committee has completed the Parish Profile and the Pastor Profile. They have been approved by the Parish Council and the Committee is ready to move to the next stage of the process which is to network and contact potential candidates. Candidate referral forms are available online [here](#) and also at the Welcome Desk. Forms should be placed in a sealed envelope and handed in at the desk or to a member of the Search Committee. All information will be treated as confidential.

Parish Profile completed.

[Click here to view.](#)

Congregational Survey Results complete.

[Click here to view.](#)

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Commission Senior Pastor

We are here 

Congregational Affirmation (vote)

Parish Council Nomination of Candidate

Search Committee Recommends Candidate to PC

Search Committee Interview Candidates

Network & contact potential candidates

√ Parish Council approves *Profiles*

√ Search Committee prepares/completes *Sr. Pastor Profile*

√ Search Committee prepares /completes *Church Profile*

√ Leadership Retreat facilitated by TAG

√ TAG conducts focus groups

√ Search Committee formed & affirmed by Parish Council

√ Congregational survey conducted

√ Parish Council secures services of TAG