

October 4, 2023

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement during September as we were in the latter half of Phase 1: Discovery & Engagement, as we met with the Staff, Session, and Diaconate.

We wanted to briefly share that we met last Friday and reviewed all of the information that you, the congregation, the Staff, the Session, and the Diaconate shared with us. First, thank you--not only did you provide invaluable input, but you also shared your hearts with us. We are deeply grateful and humbled by your willingness to trust us in this way. Second, gathering this feedback was a critical step in knowing who we are as a church, what our values and priorities are, and seeing what some of our needs are. Again, thank you for participating in Phase 1!

We are now working to put together and prioritize all of the feedback we have received. (We are looking forward to sharing more specifically with you soon--thanks for your patience!). This will help us craft materials to officially enter into Phase 2: Collection of Candidates.

Please continue to pray! We are confident that God has gone before us and knows the man whom he is calling to serve as the next senior pastor of his flock at Carriage Lane. So please join us in praying for:

- you, our church, that God will prepare our hearts and minds to call and receive with joy the man God has for us.
- the PSC, that we will be diligent in the process and be granted wisdom and discernment as we evaluate men to recommend to the congregation for a call.
- the man whom God is calling, that God will protect him and his family and prepare his heart to serve with us.

Additionally, please continue to pray for the PSC, specifically for wisdom, unity, and protection.

Grace and Peace,
The Pulpit Search Committee

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