

**JANUARY 28, 2019**

**PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE:** The PSC met on January 28 to review and approve our candidate questions and interview process. We also discussed the five applications that we have received during the first two weeks of our search process. We were in agreement that none of the applicants would be a good fit for Hickory U.E.P. Church. We also were informed by Christopher and our Presbytery that a number of pastors are networking on our behalf with individuals that they believe might be a good match for our needs. Again, we are looking for strong candidates that possess demonstrated gifts in leadership, preaching/teaching, compassion, administration, pastoral care. We also understand that no one individual will be strong in every one of these areas. We expect many more applications in the weeks ahead. Our next meeting will be on February 11.