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September Newsletter

Month of Prayer for Pastor Search

Throughout September, Heritage is gathering in prayer for our Pastoral Search Committee and the shepherd God is preparing for our church.

To help guide your personal prayer time this month, here are 10 key prayer points adapted from Pastor Jeff Mingee's article, "10 Ways to Pray for Your Pastor Search Team" (published on For The Church):

- **Praise God for His Character:** Begin prayer by recognizing who God is, praising Him for His holiness, glory, and faithfulness to our church (Psalm 29:2).
- **Give Thanks for Salvation:** Thank God for your salvation and the salvation of our team members, praying for continued life-change and conversions even during this transition (Psalm 13:5).
- **Praise God for Church Gifts:** Thank God for the unique spiritual gifts represented across our church and on this committee, asking Him to empower those gifts for fruitful ministry (1 Corinthians 12:4).
- **Pray for Unity:** Ask God to give our search team an eager spirit to maintain unity, peace, and mutual encouragement throughout the process (Ephesians 4:3).
- **Ask for Wisdom:** Confess our reliance on the Lord and ask Him to generously grant spiritual wisdom and discernment to the team (James 1:5).
- **Pray for Candidates & Their Families:** Ask God to bless, direct, and encourage prospective candidates, their families, and their current churches during this season (1 Timothy 3:1).
- **Seek God's Leadership in Selection:** Pray for insight as the committee evaluates candidates, asking God to help them look past outward appearances and see what He desires for Heritage (1 Samuel 16:1–7).
- **Pray for Spiritual Protection:** Intercede for the committee members, knowing that seasons of transition can bring spiritual warfare, and ask for God's protection over them (1 Peter 5:8–9).
- **Foster a Supportive Congregation**: Ask God to give our entire church body a spirit of encouragement, prayer, and practical support toward the search committee (Ecclesiastes 4:9–12).
- **Rest in God's Sovereignty:** Praise God that the future of Heritage rests in His hands and that Christ will continue to build His church (Matthew 16:18).

September Dates

Finance/Trustees Meeting
September 16 at 6:30 pm

Finance Meeting
September 30 at 6:30 pm