

Council Update

July 17, 2016

Council will meet July 21. Among the agenda topics is approval of a contract with Rev. David Sieplinga to serve as our interim pastor. Subject to Council approval, we anticipate that Rev. Sieplinga will start September 1 and begin leading worship and preaching on September 11. He will be working about 30-35 hours per week; part of that time will be sermon and worship preparation, which will be done from his home in Kalamazoo. He will be at River Terrace approximately 3 days per week. He will attend some worship services, and elder, and council meetings prior to his start date.

In addition to leading worship and preaching, Rev. Sieplinga will be attending meetings of the council, elders, transition team, staff and worship team. A major role will be assisting us in forming a search committee, preparing to call and calling a new pastor. His work will include helping us to discern and resolve any issues that should be addressed prior to the arrival of a new pastor.

The transition team has not met since the last Council update. They will be meeting this Wednesday, July 20.

Please keep River Terrace Church, Rev. Sieplinga, the Council, and Elders in your prayers.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6