

## **PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Federated Church Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) held its first meeting on March 24, 2021. After a steep learning curve, getting to know and understand the requirements of each denomination, we set out by fine tuning our data forms, submitting them and waiting for responses.

We didn't have to wait too long as the PCUSA process attempts to match us with candidates who had submitted their information forms and were deemed a match for us. Collectively we reviewed almost 70 potential candidates narrowing the number down to something manageable and then having a few of those drop out on their own.

The PNC conducted 4 interviews either in person or electronically. On December 1, 2021 the PNC, by unanimous vote called the Rev. Dr. Edward Yang to be our Solo Pastor. The PNC was overjoyed when Pastor Yang accepted our call which was announced to the congregation present and online at the Sunday service on December 19, 2021.

The next steps include Pastor Yang meeting with the Presbytery Commissions on Ministry for an interview and then a formal vote by the congregation at our annual meeting in February. After that there will be an installation event and of course this will include a celebration for the joy we all share.

The PNC members: Tim Warren, Julie Graham, Nichole Miller, Katie Claus, Bill Royer, Dave Melick, Terry Norris and myself want to thank the congregation for their trust in us and their patience as we followed the lengthy process of discernment to validate, what we all felt in our hearts, that we had our candidate among us all along.

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