

May 5, 2022

Dear Members and Attenders of Harris Covenant Church,

The Pastoral Search Committee is pleased to announce that we have invited Pastor Josiah Hagen to come to Harris Covenant Church as a candidate for our Senior Pastor. Pastor Josiah will be coming the weekend of May 14 & 15, 2022 so that we all have a chance to meet him and get to know him.

Sat, May 14

- **10:30 a.m.** Pastor Josiah will meet with the Leadership Team and Pastoral Search Committee to further discuss the position of Senior Pastor at HCC.
- **1:00 p.m.** The congregation (members and non-members) is invited to come to church to meet Pastor Josiah. We will have an open forum where we can all ask questions and a light lunch will be provided.

Sun, May 15

- **10:30 a.m.** Pastor Josiah will bring the message during our worship service.
- **12:00 p.m.** Potluck following morning worship when you will have more time to get to know Pastor Josiah and his family.
- **7:00 p.m.** Congregational meeting for everyone (members and non-members). This meeting will be a time of prayer, for our church as well as for Pastor Josiah, as we review our time with him. We will also use this evening hour to share with each other our thoughts and impressions of Pastor Josiah to help us discern if he is the person God is calling to be the Senior Pastor at HCC.

Sat, May 21

- **10:30 a.m.** Meeting to vote on the decision of calling Pastor Josiah to be Senior Pastor at Harris Covenant. Non-members are invited to attend this meeting and share in any discussion that takes place, but according to our Bylaws, only members may vote on this decision.

Pastor Josiah has an Associate of Arts Degree in Philosophy from Normandale Community College, an undergraduate degree in Leadership in Ministry from Concordia University, and a Master of Divinity Degree from Bethel University. He is married to Kathryn (Kat) and they currently live in the Roseville area with their two young children, Zoie and Ezra.

Kathryn (Kat), teaches as an Adjunct Professor at Concordia St Paul. She has a degree in Marriage and Family Therapy. She is working on getting licensed as a marriage and family therapist.

Here are a few links to sermons and devotions that Pastor Josiah has given in the past.

- Catalyst Covenant Sunday Live Service, 2/28/21 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eN7EWlSbWDY>
- Catalyst Online Service, 8/23/20 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fpe9osrDiT4>
- Catalyst Covenant Online Service 6/7/20 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bPFqzgGtnik>
- Catalyst Ephesians Devotional, Ephesians 6:10-17 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6ClvscGUpM>

God has led our paths together and we value this opportunity to share Pastor Josiah with you. We ask that you find time in your schedule to join us in getting to know Pastor Josiah, participate in the discussions and prayerfully consider calling him as Senior Pastor of Harris Covenant Church.

In Christ,

The Pastoral Search Committee

(Dan Johnson, Betty Schlipp, Marc Dronen, Jim Goranson, Sherah Jacobson, Seth Draper, Jim Axberg)