



Pastor Search Information

INTRODUCTION

City of Hope Presbyterian Church (COHPC) aspires to be a Christ-centered, relational, multicultural congregation. We belong to the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and gather to worship in Columbia, Maryland. We are searching for a Pastor with a deep passion for the Lord, for the Bible, for people, and with doctrinal views consistent with those of the PCA. The desired Pastor should exhibit the qualities of the office as listed in 1 Timothy 3:1-7. As a servant leader, he shall be a minister of the Gospel; be devoted to the service of Christ and the church; preach and teach the Word of God; administer the sacraments; and faithfully give himself to pastoral work. He will preach at most worship services; work with the Session and Diaconate; provide pastoral care for the congregation; partner with lay leadership to direct church ministries and lead COHPC to fulfill its mission to its local communities and the entire world.

COHPC VISION AND VALUES

For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. (2 Corinthians 4:15)

For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. (John 1:16-17)

Extending the Grace of Jesus Christ Through Community and Connection

We desire to be a community that both experiences the transforming grace of God in Jesus Christ and extends that same grace to all without distinction by:

- Extending grace to connect people to Jesus Christ
- Extending grace to connect people to one another
- Extending grace to connect people to loving service
- Extending grace to connect people to Kingdom Mission

For more information visit us at <http://cityofhopechurch.net/>.



DESIRED SKILLS AND GIFTINGS

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

- ❖ Passionate preaching and teaching of the Word of God as written in the Old and New Testaments, and a commitment to labor in study and prayer in preparation for these responsibilities.
- ❖ Loving heart for the congregation demonstrated through compassionate pastoral care and the spiritual development of the members.
- ❖ Loving heart for the world demonstrated through evangelism, community outreach, and commitment to missions.
- ❖ Loving heart for a broad diversity of people across ages, races, cultures, ethnicities, and socioeconomic statuses and a vision for seeing Revelation 7:9 fulfilled in the worship life of the local church.

To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all men, that by all means I might save some. (1 Corinthians 9:22)

APPLICATION PROCESS

If you are interested in applying, please send an email to the Pulpit Committee at pulpitcommitteecohpc@gmail.com with the following: a resume and letter of intent, your PCA ministerial data form, three or more sample sermons (e.g., web link or MP3 files), and two or more references. Applicants are encouraged to submit materials as soon as possible.