



God is still speaking.
Cherokee Park United Church
Come listen with us

CHEROKEE PARK UNITED
CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST -
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)
SCHOOL: 9:00 AM / 11:00 AM
WORSHIP: 10:00 AM / 11:00 AM

Who is the Transition Team?



Andy, Jackie, Karen, Barb and Sandy



The transition team, appointed by the council and congregation, has led the congregation with gusto and enthusiasm and love.

Who is
Pastor Joy?



- I have been working in ministry since I was ordained in 1993.
- My formal training is in Social Work, Ministry, Christian Education, Chaplaincy, Psychotherapy and Transitional Ministry.
- In addition to my calls as a settled pastor...
I have served as transitional pastor in four different congregations, in Minnesota, Illinois, Arizona and Florida.
- My most important "experience" - is that I have a passion for the teachings of Jesus and idealism that church is the best place to bring in justice that Jesus intended. I believe in God that mysteriously is within everyone of us.



And I believe no one is perfect - but we all want to be.

I do believe God has called me to walk with you for a while. I respect and believe in what you value - and think you (all of us) can and must do church in new and better ways. And am glad it does not depend on me or you to make it happen.

The purpose of the transitional time is discovering a New Identity.

Churches change because of various pastoral leaders, changes in the world context, and modifications in internal circumstances. Over the last year and half, CPUC has participated in a unique opportunity. Congregational self study, experiments with new ways worship and outreach. The outcome will be a renewed purpose and identity.



The Mission Study is different than the Mission Statement. In fact, the mission study will help to write the mission statement. A successful mission study will show that CPUC is committed to a new future, and prepared to do a new ministry, and call a new settled pastor. It assumes, the congregation knows who it is and where they want to go next.

The following slides describe our process.



1. **Congregational Survey** –(done) Will be summarized and sent back to the Transition Team who will prepare it for the council and congregation.



2. Community Study –Another way of learning about the community to which we minister is to interview community leaders about what they perceive as the needs of the community. This is often an eye-opening experience. **January 18th, 2018** CPUC held a panel discussion with community leaders to find out needs in the community, that CPUC might engage or even partner with others. A meal was served and some of the congregation attended.



**3. Demographic Study – studies from Presbytery Website and the UCC:
A part of the process to understand what work God has to do for us in a certain time and place - is getting to know the needs of the community to which we minister. As part of the assessment of the community a demographic study is conducted, in order to understand who our neighbors are now and who they probably will be in the coming years.**



**4. The
Pastor
Nominating
Committee
will be
selected**



5. The Mission Statement will be developed by the leaders – at March Retreat. This will be used for the PNC to write the Ministry Information Form (PCUSA) and UCC Ministry Vitae.



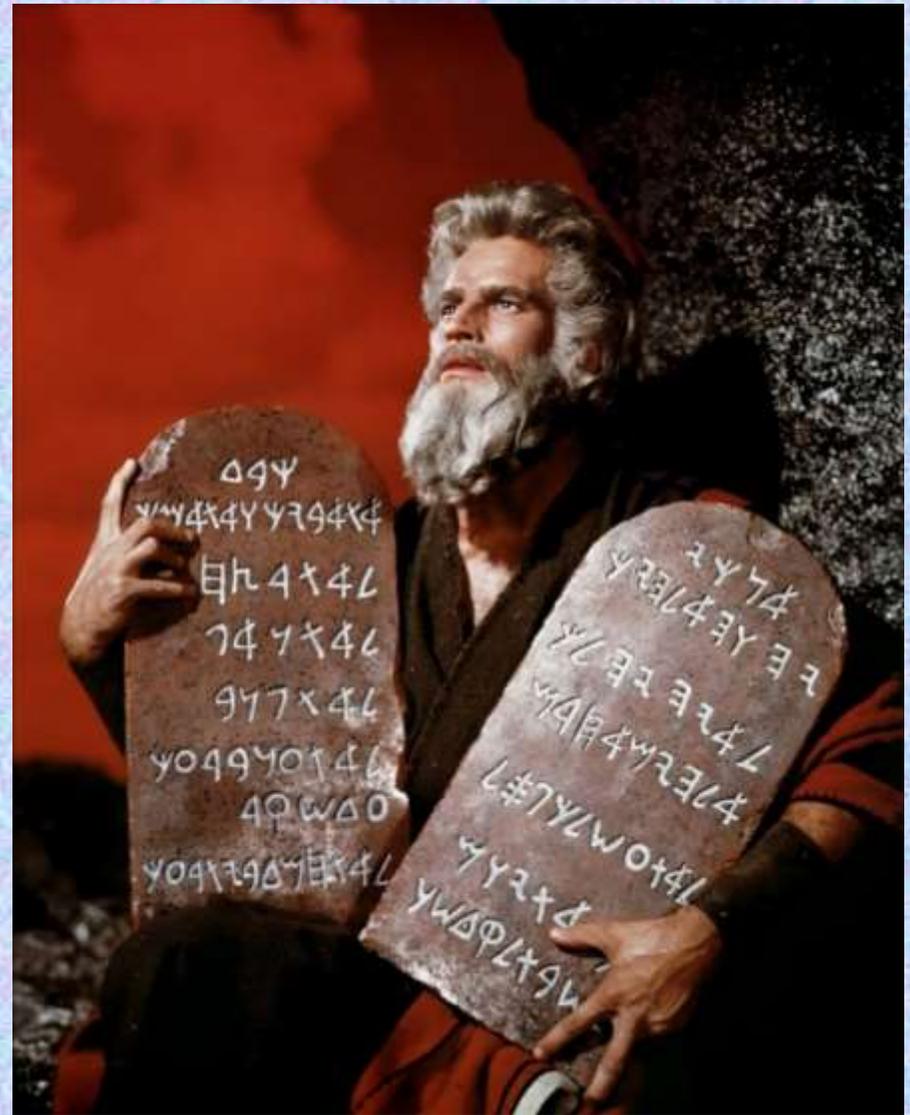
6. Report of the transition work

to be approved by Council and reviewed by Committee on Ministry (Twin Cities Presbytery) and UCC Conference.



**PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee)
begins to work on the Church ministry
profiles for the UCC and PCUSA**

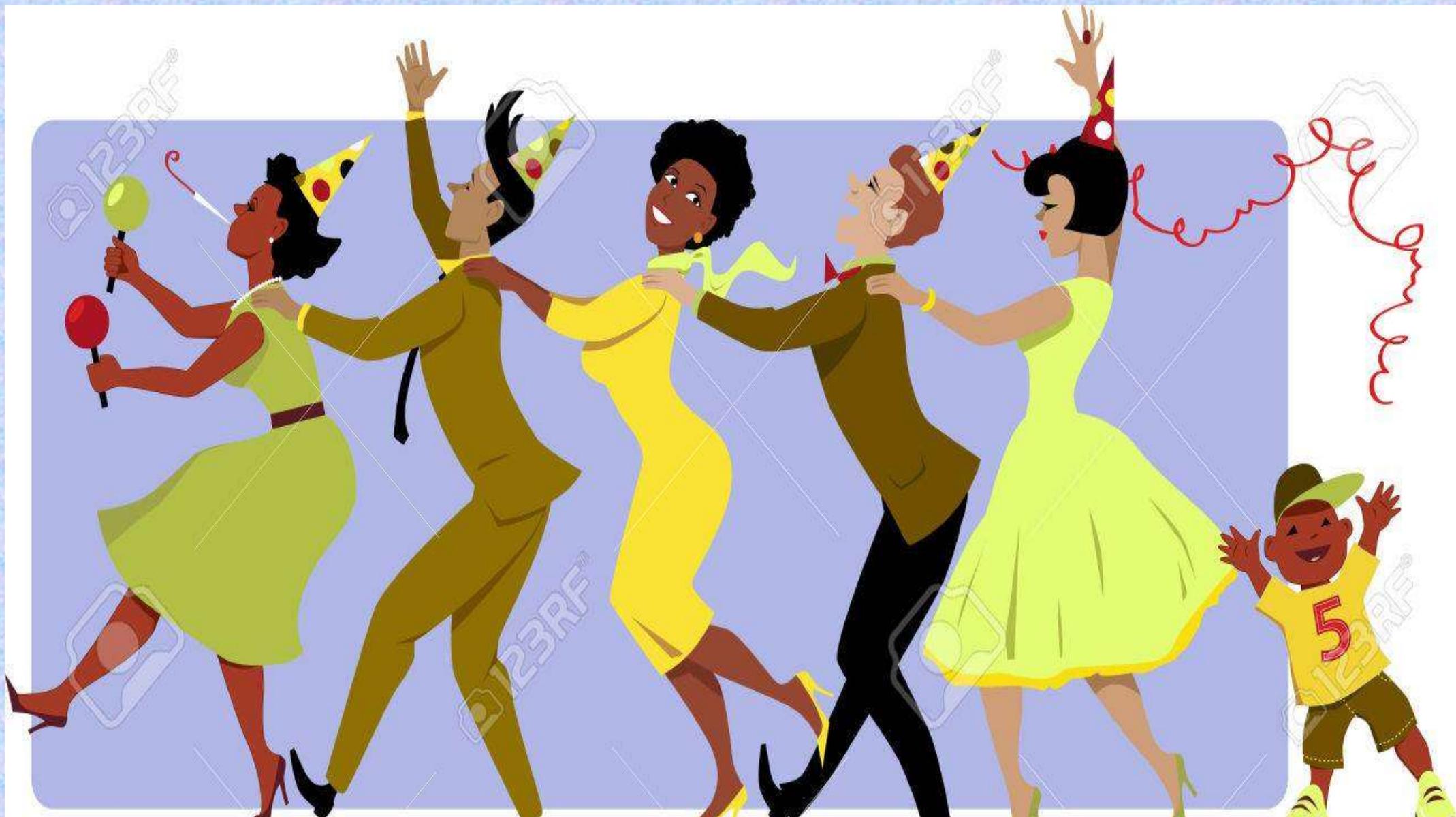
The profile is the congregation's formal notification to the Presbytery and UCC Conference's office that it is ready to enter the Call Process to select a new pastor.



The 75-Word "Want Ad"



Welcome to our New Pastor!



Questions?