

Hello Crossroads Church!

Paul Curtis here, Chairman of the Board of Elders, with some exciting news: We have a new Lead Pastor to recommend to the congregation! After a very long and in-depth search, we offered the job to Jason Anderson, who promptly accepted pending congregational approval.

Jason comes from Hosanna! Church in Lakeville, Minnesota. Hosanna! (hosannalc.org) is a large multisite church with four campuses. Jason serves as their Executive Pastor of Engagement and is a member of their teaching team. You can go to Hosanna's website or YouTube to learn more and see videos of his recent sermons. Prior to Hosanna, Jason was a pastor at Eagle Brook Church where he was most recently the Woodbury Campus Pastor and part of the teaching team.

Jason and his wife of 32 years, Amy, live in Lake Elmo and have three married adult children, 2 grandkids and 2 on the way. Amy is the Director of Consulting for the Unstuck Group (theunstuckgroup.com), a consulting company that helps churches work through strategic and operating issues to be the best they can be.

The search process was very thorough. The search firm we used, SIMA Partners, interviewed staff and elders to define our needs in the Lead Pastor role and then developed criteria to measure each candidate's fit with our needs. After hundreds of contacts and initial interviews, SIMA brought us three finalist candidates who then went through the SIMA evaluation process to determine their strengths and motivated abilities. With the SIMA results, thorough interviews, and lengthy reference checks, it was clear that Jason was the best fit for Crossroads.

Our constitution requires that the congregational members approve any Lead Pastor candidate before they can be officially hired for the job. We will have a congregational meeting on November 2 at 7:00 p.m. for that purpose. We will give more detail on the search process as well as give you an opportunity to hear Jason and Amy share their hearts for reaching one more for Christ.

Please click this [link](#) to RSVP for the congregational meeting (childcare is provided).

I am really excited for the next chapter in the life of Crossroads. God's faithfulness has no end when we seek his will in what we do. Thank you for your prayers for your church over the past several months. The elder board is looking forward to introducing you to the Andersons!

Paul Curtis

Elder Board Chair

