



November 19, 2008

Dear President Brenneman,

One hundred eleven years ago, The Peoples Church of East Lansing began as the "Great Experiment," blending the American Baptist, Presbyterian (PCUSA), United Church of Christ, and United Methodist faiths into one congregation. We now seek a strong Senior Pastor to lead us into the next chapter of our dynamic faith journey.

My name is Jim Kelly and I am the chair of the Senior Pastor Search Committee at The Peoples Church. We have been tasked with the honor of calling The Peoples Church's next Senior Pastor. As a committee, we intend to post this call in *The Christian Century* and on all four of our denominational websites, however, we would like to directly contact a cultivated list of potential pastors.

Through your professional relationships, the network of alumni, staff, and clergy with whom you have served, you may be aware of individuals who are ready for the call to our church. Perhaps, our next Senior Pastor is in your network? If you feel this could be true, please contact me via the church office or a direct email at spsc@thepeopleschurch.com.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. In addition to our website, if you would like more information, please feel free to reach out to me and I would be glad to have a conversation or facilitate contact with Rev. Case Van Kempen, our interim Senior Pastor. We know God has already chosen our next Senior Pastor. It is our responsibility to guide that person home.

Respectfully,

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So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. -Ephesians 4:11-13 (NIV)