



IMPORTANT UPDATE

Brian Rhen (TLP) & Jon Pedley (Church Chair)

January 13, 2023

Hello PCC:

I want to give you an update on my potential future and have you hear from Jon (below) about the next steps at PCC.

As of December 8, 2022, I was accepted as a candidate for a Co-Lead Pastor role at Arvada Covenant Church in Arvada, Colorado. If it is God's will, on February 19, 2023, I will candidate in Arvada and be confirmed by way of a congregational vote. If voted in, my last day at PCC will be Sunday, March 19. My plan would be to commute to Colorado for three months as of April 1, with the whole family moving in late June.

This is an update and not a formal resignation letter, since we are waiting on God's confirmation. I do want to thank you all (staff and congregants) for the opportunity and support you have provided me during this transition season. God has used it to grow, shape, and show me the future.

With sadness, joy, and anticipation for us all—

Brian H. Rhen
Transition Lead Pastor

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Well, that was probably as very sad and surprising for all of you as it was for me, given that Brian has served PCC and been a much-cared-for part of our community for many years (he began at PCC in July of 1995!).

I am adding to his words to tell you a little more about what the church and your leadership is doing in the light of this news.

First of all, with Brian's pending departure, the [PCC Officers](#) are seeking an interim pastor for this extended transition season and are beginning to coordinate with our [Pacific Southwest Conference](#) leadership to assist us with that effort. More detail will be provided at our Sunday, January 29, Stakeholder Meeting at 11:45am in the Worship Center.

Secondly, please continue to pray for the PCC Search Team, who have been working very diligently. This past fall into December, they courted two applicants as a potential Co-Lead Pastor team, yet in the end each applicant chose other ministry options ([see 12.19.22 update](#)). Though very disheartening, the Search Team is resilient, persevering, and seeking who God is calling to lead PCC. Please continue to pray for their ongoing efforts. They have my full trust and support.

Lastly, we are planning to celebrate and care for Brian and his family if they make this transition. More information would be coming about how you can participate if that happens.

This is difficult news to hear and so as not to be discouraged, we are trusting in the Lord and His sovereignty through this process and are excited to see where He will lead us. To paraphrase the people of Judah when faced with overwhelming odds: we don't know what the future will hold but our eyes are on You!

Yours,
Jon Pedley
Chair of PCC Leadership Team