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Dear Wesley Memorial Family,

For many years, it has been one of the greatest honors of my life to serve as your pastor. Together we have worshiped, prayed, celebrated, grieved and watched God move in powerful ways in the life of this church.

One of the beautiful truths about the church is that it has never belonged to any one pastor. It belongs to Christ, and Christ faithfully leads His people from one season to the next.

After much prayer and reflection, I want to share that I will be retiring as Senior Pastor of Wesley Memorial, at the end of August. Beginning September 1, I will be entering a new season of life. This new season of life will allow me to devote more time to teaching, writing, travel ministry and ministry to the wider Church. I look forward to continuing to lead Bible studies during this interim while we search for a new Senior Pastor. Tammy and I are also looking forward to a little more time with our family, especially experiencing the world through our granddaughters' eyes, and embracing the opportunities this next chapter will bring.

While this is a transition for our family, I want to assure you that Wesley Memorial's mission and direction remain strong. God has been doing beautiful work in and through this church. That work will continue. The ministry, vision and calling that we share together remain firmly in place. The same God who has guided us in the past will continue to lead us into the future.

During this next season as our faithful leadership team begins the process of identifying our next Senior Pastor, the Reverend Dr. Ken Lyon will serve as interim Senior Pastor. He with our other pastors, staff, and Board of Directors will guide us as we enter the next phase of doing God's work. We are truly blessed to have Ken lead us during this time of transition, and I know he will serve the Wesley Memorial family with wisdom, care and faithfulness.

Although I will be stepping away from my role as Senior Pastor, Tammy and I will continue to hold Wesley Memorial close to our hearts. High Point is our home.

Thank you for the love, support and partnership you have given to me and our family over the years. It has been a joy to walk alongside you in faith. Wesley Memorial has never been just a place where I have served. It is our family that Tammy and I love deeply. I look forward to the months ahead as we continue to celebrate what God is doing in and through Wesley Memorial.

In His Grip,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeff Patton".

Pastor Jeff