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## 2026 APPOINTMENT TIMELINE

1. Please remember that **appointments are not final** until they are set at Annual Conference.
2. **There is to be NO** contact with the appointment beyond the initial introductory SPR Chair welcoming call until the introductory visit.
3. **There is to be NO ANNOUNCEMENT** of projected appointment in the bulletin or from the pulpit or through social media before **April 19, 2026**
4. In light of the stress of moving, the Cabinet has set the following schedule to encourage a smooth and healthy pastoral transition:  

<b>June 21, 2026</b>	Last Sunday in the current appointment.
<b>June 23, 2026</b>	Moving day
<b>July 6, 2026</b>	First day in the office in the new appointment.
<b>July 12, 2026</b>	First Sunday in the new appointment.

Variation from this schedule must be coordinated between the pastor, the S/PPRC chairpersons, and the sending and receiving superintendents.

The departing pastor is responsible for arrangements for:

- 1) worship on June 29 and July 6.
- 2) pastoral needs through June 30, 2026.

The sending Superintendent is to receive notification of these arrangements by **May 31, 2026**.