

Rev. Sara Tonje,

The Session chose Pastor Sara Tonje as the Interim Pastor at The Presbyterian Church of Fremont. Who is she?

She is from Rapid City, South Dakota and went to college at Lewis and Clark College in Portland Oregon. She lived in the mountains of Nepal for over six years. Her theological education was at Princeton Seminary where she graduated with prizes in preaching and community engagement. Her ministry interests include biblical storytelling, faith sharing with all ages, mission work and lively creative collaborative worship.

She has been on the leadership team to take teens to the PCUSA Triennium, to Calvin Crest and to church lock-ins, but none of them so scary to the basement at The Presbyterian Church of Fremont! Sara's mom was homebound with Alzheimer's, so she understands the care of the isolated, and vulnerable. She is creative, compassionate and Session was told her superpower is to bring out the best in members of the congregation.

She raised three sons with her (ex)husband from Cameroon, the youngest is a senior at Central High School in Omaha. She loves to be outdoors, understands less than she should about basketball, is a Colorado State University Ram fan, enjoys refinishing rocking chairs, has no idea how to can tomatoes or play bridge and is an alto.

Her tasks here will be to help us do the work of the interim or transitional ministry: come to terms with the church history, discover the identity we choose going forward, plan an effective use of leadership, create a culture of kindness and faithfulness, develop, and celebrate the unique vision of The Presbyterian Church of Fremont.

