



Ministry General Information

Ministry Name	Presbytery	Synod
Tropical Florida Presbytery	Tropical Florida	South Atlantic
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Mailing Address	Alternate Phone/Email	Community Type
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Congregation or Organization Size	Curriculum	Average Worship Attendance
Church School Attendance		
Intercultural Composition		

Information about the Position

Position Requirements

Position Type(s)	Language Requirements
Solo Pastor: Installed	English
Experience Required	Statement of Faith required?

No Experience/First Ordained Call Yes

Employment Status Are you open to a clergy couple?

Full-time No

Ministry Requirements

Church Mission/Vision Statement

Ascension Peace Presbyterian Church is grounded in the gospel of Matthew Chapter 28, Verses 18-20:

And Jesus came and said to them. "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore, and make disciples of all in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even to the close of the age."

Furthermore, the church seeks to be an inclusive, cross-cultural, cross-racial congregation, composed of every ethnicity in the area, celebrating fully its cultural diversity and making its members unique servants, witnessing for Jesus Christ.

Tasks, expectations, duties, supervision, assignments, and responsibilities for the position

Deliver biblically based preaching and teaching.

Actively work with church school leaders to increase the participation of children in our weekly church school and Vacation Bible School.

Lead and empowers others to lead Bible Study and prayer meetings.

Be actively involved with the worship and planning team in the preparation of bulletins and selection of music for worship services.

Encourage, support and expand the use of technology and online outreach.

Moderate the Session and meet with committees monthly or as needed.

Perform normal pastoral duties e.g. funerals, weddings, baptisms, new member classes, confirmation classes and visiting members in crisis situations.

Work with Evangelism Committee and other ministries in the church to provide a rich family oriented program and to encourage community involvement.

Compensation & Housing

Minimum Effective Salary

35000

Housing Type

Housing allowance

MDP - Narratives

How would you describe the congregation's/organization's specific vision for ministry? How will this vision impact the community? Is the congregation part of a ministry vision or program?

Our congregation seeks to empower members to live as Christ would have us to live with motivating sermons grounded in scripture. Our congregation is open to new ideas and innovation but does appreciate the traditional structure of the Presbyterian Church (USA) service.

The congregation supports various ministries within the church and community including but not limited to the Choir; the Evangelism Committee; Presbyterian Women; Presbyterian Men; the Financial Support Committee; the Grief Comfort and Support Committee; and the Seeds to Harvest Ministry.

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Our congregation is committed to community outreach in an effort to impact more lives and increase our membership. We have a business and collaborative relationship with a child care center located on our church property which serves many of the families in the community. We also have various social gatherings throughout the year.

What is the nature and context of the community in which your congregation lives out its mission/vision? How will you address the emerging needs that are impacting your community?

Our congregation and the community it serves is urban, intergenerational and diverse. We are the only predominantly African American Presbyterian Church in Broward County, the

second most populous county in Florida. Members commute from the northern and southern parts of the county. We reach out with ministries that engage people in understanding

of Jesus' commandments to love God and to love neighbors. We attempt to help our community by being a living testimony of what life in Christ looks like by showing love to our

community and world. Our goal is to help people participate in the life of Christian community, equipping them for living in the world and enabling them to grow as maturing

Christians in their journey of faith. We minister to sick, shut-in and bereaved members through visits, phone calls, cards and home communion. Local mission includes our

benevolence offering and Seeds to Harvest Program. We address the emerging needs of our community by joining with community based agencies to prepare and serve meals,

provide care packages and financial support for homeless and needy. Our Computer Lab Ministry provides intergenerational computer support by offering classes for after school

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students, adults and senior citizens. We lease educational space to a local day care agency to provide affordable childcare. We host forums on citizenship, financial planning, senior

citizen safety, voter registration and community policing to enhance the quality of life throughout our community.

How will this call help complement the responsibilities of other staff/volunteer positions, and the life of the congregation/organization, so that you may accomplish your short and long-term goals for ministry?

The pastor will help us reach our vision and goals by helping to lead and coordinate the actions of all members of the church towards our goals and vision harmoniously. They will acknowledge and integrate our different cultures in order to support inclusion. We are looking for a leader with experience or knowledge of different organizational settings and has the ability to get things done by formal and informal processes. The pastor will nurture and understand the importance of supporting our combined vision, practices and procedures according to the Book of Order. He or she will keep the church focused on the bigger picture and anticipate changes in our diverse community. Our next pastor will also allow the congregation to be responsible for their work and continue to build our feeling of belonging to a church that takes all members' concerns and feelings into consideration.

Provide a description of the skills, gifts and training the person you hope will become a part of your ministry must have, to lead the congregation towards the vision and mission established.

We feel that the characteristics needed by the person who is open to being called by Ascension Peace Presbyterian Church are: strong in the pulpit; good communicator; and bridge-builder. Preaching is most important for us and we are looking for biblically based, spiritually infused inspirational sermons from the pulpit. A good communicator is needed to

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advance the abilities of individuals and organizations through active listening, oral and written communication and presentation of information. We are also looking for a bridge-builder who can unite our congregation and organizations, connect people of different cultures, worldviews and theological positions. Because a significant number of our congregation are senior citizens, it is essential that we have a minister that will provide pastoral care and prayer to our members who are sick and shut in. Finally, we desire a pastor who can collaborate and ensure the integrity of our church, organizations, processes, and completion of projects in a timely manner within budget, as well as assist and guide us in the planning, execution and evaluation of said processes and projects.

What areas of ministry do you expect the person called to be responsible for? Share specific tasks, assignments, and programs.

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Optional Links

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