

Church Leadership Connection
The Call System for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Mif #: 08317.AB0	
Ministry General Information	
Ministry Number	08317
Ministry Name	Pleasant View Presbyterian Church
Mailing Address	533 Royal Road Smock, PA 15480
Phone	(724) 677-2149
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WWW Address	
Ministry Size	101 - 250 members
Ethnic Composition	
	American Indian or Alaskan Native 1%
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 1%
	Middle Eastern 1%
	White 97%
Average Worship Attendance	55
Church School Attendance	16
Curriculum	The Present Word(Adults); Deep Blue(children)
Certified as eligible for participation in the Seminary Debt Assistance Program	False
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Presbytery	REDSTONE PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF THE TRINITY
Community Type	Rural
Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization Show Statistics	
Information about the position	
Position:	Solo Pastor
Experience Required:	First Ordained Call
Specific Title:	
Employment Status:	Full-time
Language Requirements:	
	English
Other Language:	
Statement of Faith Required:	True
Clergy Couples:	True
Training/Certificate Requirements:	
Other Training:	

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Brief Church Mission Statement:

Unrestricted by our Church walls, we discern our ministry to be active in the community listening to, caring for and nurturing all God's people. . . because Jesus said to do this!
We do this kind of ministry to demonstrate what the in-breaking reign of God will look like when it comes in full flower. Such *demonstration* is, we believe, at least as valuable as *proclamation*, especially when we have the opportunity to interpret our demonstration efforts to those with whom we partner: That, when we work to end illiteracy, or poverty, or loneliness, or stress, or other afflictions it's because of our commitment to Jesus Christ. By the grace of God, we seek to transform others so that together we may transform the world. *
As deacons, caregivers to God's world, we will proceed with this call by forming lasting relationships with our neighbors. We will grow in faith as we serve our brothers and sisters. We remain a Church open to change as we journey into the future.

***The wording of this paragraph is informed by the writing of Ruling Elder Bill Tammeus (member, 2nd Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, Missouri, a writer, journalist & blogger) in his December 8, 2014 article, "Why Do We Go Out?", printed in The Presbyterian Outlook.**

What is the congregation's or organization's vision for ministry:

Our vision for ministry begins with a strong belief that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior, and His teachings are the way. Our church practices include readings from the Bible, Small Talk for our younger members, "Passing of the Peace" (which brings our church family even closer together) and scripturally based sermons.
PVPC members seek out our ministry for spiritual guidance and leadership throughout daily routines. We strive to interpret the teachings of the Bible through life lessons and experience, music and education, and by supporting: Center for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, Crime Victims of Fayette County, Frontera De Cristo, EduKenya, Meadow Brook Haiti Mission, Boy Scouts of America and Pine Springs Camp.
Our ministry helps our families, neighbors and surrounding communities and is not confined nor defined by our church walls. We avail ourselves to numerous avenues to spread Our Father's word and love with our neighbors in the surrounding communities including: our men's Bible class, our women's group, VBS, Kingdom Kids, food bank, and living nativity.
PVPC is a friendly, family oriented, rural church. We are a faith based gathering of Our Father's children. Our Arms, Eyes, Ears and Hearts are wide open to God's calling and spreading of His word.

How do you feel called to reach out to address the emerging needs of your community or constituency:

As the people of Pleasant View Presbyterian Church, we feel that we have been called by the Holy Spirit to reach out and address the emerging needs of our community. With arms, eyes, ears and hearts wide open we can adapt to their changing needs by feeding the hungry with our food bank, that at one time distributed one hundred forty-five boxes of food to families every month in our surrounding area. Our C.I.A. (Christians in Action) has gone out into three local communities and built relationships with the youth by holding game nights, distributing back to school supplies, and hosting family fun night. We started Kingdom Kids which is a Bible study for children on Tuesday evenings, where we host approximately 20 children weekly. We also hold Vacation Bible School filled with Bible study, fun and games. All in all, we are a congregation that talks the talk and walks the walk by going outside of the walls of our church. We go into the community by hosting a Pike Days Barbecue and by Christmas gift wrapping at the Uniontown Mall allowing us to listen to the needs and concerns of our surrounding communities. We are looking and listening to God's calling and are open for change.

How will this position help you to reach your vision and mission goals:

We hope that the pastor will help us enhance our vision of the church in the areas of the worship service, helpful suggestions about youth programs, help bring back members who are not presently attending church with any frequency, visit the ill, and support the various community outreach missions in which we presently participate.
For us the message presented in the worship service needs to be inspirational and have practical applications in everyday life. The pastor helps us interpret the Bible through the sermons, the prayers, and the scriptures they select so that we can live more God centered lives not just Sunday but all week long.
Our youth programs are very important to us as a church. We offer Sunday School, a weeklong Vacation Bible School, and Kingdom Kids on Tuesday nights for 8 weeks in the fall and spring. One of our biggest challenges is to increase Sunday School participation.
To keep us connected when members are ill, we ask the minister to help us by visiting people in the hospital and taking Communion to our shut ins with an elder.
Our church has various community outreach missions. A pastor can be a great resource as a liaison between the church and community groups. The minister could help coordinate between those groups and the congregation. The pastor also could participate in the various community programs.

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Provide a description of the characteristics needed by the person who is open to being called to this congregation and or organization:

Pleasant View Presbyterian Church is a congregation made up of hard working, team oriented people who are not afraid to take risks. We are looking for a Spirit led pastor. A pastor to have successful experience at Pleasant View should be someone who is willing to jump in and get dirty, someone who is willing to be part of our team, our Pleasant View family. We see our pastor as someone who can keep us mesmerized during Sunday Morning Worship with Biblical knowledge and inspiring sermons as well as looking "outside the box" in regards to ministry opportunities. This congregation is known for spreading the good news of Jesus outside of the church building. We are very involved with the surrounding communities and want our pastor to be an active participant in our outreach. Our pastor should encourage members to join in and give of their time and talents, and work with our committees. They should facilitate positive change.

What specific tasks, assignments, and program areas will this person have responsibility?

The pastor will be expected to excel in pastoral care such as taking time to visit our home bound members, visiting those in the hospital, and opening his or her door to those who need counseling. In addition, many activities that Pleasant View is presently involved in that we would like to continue with our pastor include: Food Bank, community outreach programs as well as extracurricular activities that we plan throughout the year. One of our largest programs is Christian Education. Our pastor would be expected to take an active role in our Kingdom Kids program, Vacation Bible School and especially Youth Group. We are hoping for a pastor that will help us develop more effective Sunday School and Youth Group programs. The pastor would be expected to attend monthly meetings of the Board of Session, Board of Trustees and the Board of Deacons as well as the sporadically scheduled meetings of the Worship Committee. The pastor would be encouraged to attend the sub group church committee meetings as well as Redstone Presbytery Meeting. The pastor will be responsible for the day to day maintenance of the manse and the manse property, including but not limited to cleanliness of the house, grass cutting and keeping the walks snow free in the winter. It is the financial responsibility of the Pastor should he or she be physically unable.

Optional Links:

FACEBOOK: PLEASANT VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Leadership Competencies:

Preaching and Worship Leadership

Spiritual Maturity

Public Communicator

Advisor

Externally Aware

Entrepreneurial

Strategy and Vision

Collaboration

Interpersonal Engagement

Flexibility

Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary: \$49,400

Housing Type: Manse

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References:				
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Has the Pastor Nominating Committee and Search committee affirmed its intention to follow the Form Of Government in this regard?

Yes

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