



Associate Pastor - Discipleship Ministry Description

About Messiah

Messiah Lutheran Church, located in Weldon Spring, Missouri (St. Louis suburb), is a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). Messiah serves 2800 members, while 990 members worship weekly during one of three (mostly contemporary) Sunday Services. 365 preschool - 8th grade students attend Messiah Lutheran School, a National Blue Ribbon School. Mission work is important to Messiah, with ongoing projects in Uganda, Poland, Guatemala, South Dakota, and in St. Charles/St. Louis, Missouri. See www.messiahnetwork.org for more information.

About the Position

Messiah is seeking a dynamic and gifted pastor to join our ministry team. We desire fresh leadership and vibrancy in our ministry, especially in the area of discipleship. Our new pastor will work to build healthy ministries and relationships with members and our community so that those who are connected to Messiah grow in their faith and relationship with Jesus.

Primary Responsibility

To carry out the Biblical role of overseer, pastor, shepherd, proclaiming the gospel and administering the sacraments and provide spiritual care and leadership so that Messiah is focused on reaching our community and growing as disciples who make new disciples.

Qualifications

Messiah is committed to calling a pastor who embodies the values of our ministry - a man who is culturally relevant, biblically sound, and outwardly focused. As such, we desire the following talents and skills:

- Active disciple of Jesus and an ordained (or willing to become ordained) member of the LCMS.
- Biblical requirements of a pastor.
- Ability to work well in a team, collaborative setting
- Solid interpersonal, planning, teaching, and mentoring skills.
- Innovative, Strategic leader
- Genuinely able to communicate scripture in practical ways.
- Possesses an enthusiastic and fresh understanding of ministry.



Responsibilities

- In connection with staff leadership, develop and execute a vision for community engagement so that new people are reached and are connected to Jesus.
- In collaboration with staff leadership, develop and execute a vision for discipleship so that all who are connected to Messiah are growing as disciples and making new disciples.
- Be a leader of leaders - multiply himself by identifying the gifts and talents around him, seeking to develop and release others to do the work of ministry.
- Lead Messiah's small group ministry.
- Equip people for missional living in our community.
- Preach, lead worship, and conduct other pastoral duties as assigned.