

We're currently looking for a person to fill in as an Interim Pastor or Full Time Pastor. We are a small congregation in Southeastern Michigan near the Ohio border. There is a parsonage located next to the church available for housing. Desirable services would be leading Sunday morning worship service, Bible study class before Sunday morning worship, leading a contemporary Wednesday or Saturday evening service and providing pastoral support in times of need (i.e. funerals, weddings and baptisms when necessary). We prefer an applicant that preaches liturgy based on the Lutheran Book of Worship and sermons based on Biblical teachings. I have attached a job description.

To apply for this position and arrange for an interview, please contact Connie Sieler, call committee co-chair at csieler@d-pcomm.net or (517)447-3991 home phone or (517)442-7560 cell phone.

Pastor Position

Basic function and responsibility:

1. Serve as a pastor to the congregation of Zion Lutheran Church of Ottawa Lake
2. Leading Bible study class before Sunday morning worship services
3. Lead contemporary Saturday evening worship services
4. Lead Sunday morning worship services
5. Lead special services (i.e. Advent services, Christmas Eve and Christmas services, etc.)
6. Provide support and pastoral care in times of need (i.e. perform weddings, funeral services and baptisms when necessary)
7. Home, hospital and nursing home pastoral care visits for homebound and sick Zion congregational members

Skills required:

1. Preaching liturgy based on the Lutheran Book of Worship
2. Must be able to understand, believe and interpret the doctrines of the Lutheran church
3. Sermons based on Biblical teachings

Reporting Relationships:

1. Reports to Zion's Church Council

Desired Personal Characteristics:

1. Strong Christian character
2. Strong communication skills with groups and one-on-one
3. Personal computer skills to support creation of communication pieces in a variety of media forms (i.e. Power Point presentation, Facebook video recording)
4. Compassion for struggles and concerns of others
5. Desire to further the mission of Zion Lutheran Church, which is "to make Christ known to all people, aiding them to become baptized believers, equipping them to become committed disciples of Christ and inspiring them to become Christian servant-leaders in God's church and world".

Education Requirement:

1. Graduation from an accredited seminary