

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

Mif #: 21913.AD0

Ministry General Information

Ministry Number	21913
Ministry Name	First Presbyterian Church of Texarkana
Mailing Address	516 Pecan Street Texarkana, AR 71854
Phone	870-774-6453
Fax	
E-Mail	office@firstprestexarkana.org
WWW Address	www.firstprestexarkana.org
Ministry Size	101 - 250 members
Ethnic Composition	
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 2%
	White 98%

Average Worship Attendance	45
Church School Attendance	20
Curriculum	Varied
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Presbytery	Pines
Synod	SYNOD OF THE SUN
Community Type	Small City
Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization Show Statistics	

Information about the position

Position:	Pastor Interim
Experience Required:	0 to 2 Years
Specific Title:	
Employment Status:	Full-time

Language Requirements:	
	English

Other Language:	
Statement of Faith Required:	True
Clergy Couples:	

Training/Certificate Requirements:

Other Training:	
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Brief Church Mission Statement:	
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To reflect God's love and grace in Jesus Christ to all.

What is the congregation's or organization's vision for ministry:	
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We envision First Presbyterian Church, Texarkana, AR, as a community of faith which proclaims the good news, glorifies God, builds up the body of Christ, equips disciplines and welcomes all. Grounded in the reformed tradition, we see ourselves as a community glorifying God through worship, study, fellowship, service and music,

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

For our 100 years, our church has sought our ways to serve God in the community. We support existing ministries which successfully address and advocate for the homeless and the impoverished. We currently supply cleaning supply buckets to those transitioning from homelessness into homes, distribute Thanksgiving gift cards and create Angel Quilts for chemo patients. Our church members provide a meal to a local shelter, Randy Sams. Every Christmas, a special tree is put up for Evergreen Ministries, a home for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, where members can provide presents for adults of this organization. We engage our children in Godly Play, a style of learning Bible stories through the five senses. We welcome new guests, friends and people of need to our family night supper on Wednesday nights. Many of our church members volunteer and assume leadership roles on various committees in the community.

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

The interim pastor should inspire us to use our unique gifts to respond to God's call, to help us better understand our faith, and to establish us as a place where grace can happen.

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

Our church seeks a dynamic shepherd who can inspire from the pulpit and lead with spiritual maturity and integrity. The pastor should be capable of building effective connections with individuals of all ages and backgrounds. This pastor should develop trust and respect inside and outside the congregation with having a natural orientation to encourage people to work together. We seek a pastor who possesses a compassionate demeanor and the skills to reach and engage in a wide array of learners while providing direction, guidance and a faith which inspires hope. This person would possess maturity, maintain a calming presence and have a healthy appreciation of self. We seek a pastor who can identify and lead where change is necessary.

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

The pastor should be responsible for the duties and responsibilities identified in the local Staff Handbook and Policy Handbook of the Church Operating Manual. The pastor should follow those responsibilities listed in Section G-2.0504a of the Book of Order.

Optional Links:

Leadership Competencies:

Compassionate

Hopeful

Preaching and Worship Leadership

Spiritual Maturity

Communicator

Technologically Savvy

Change Agent

Strategy and Vision

Collaboration

Interpersonal Engagement

Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary: \$65,000

Housing Type: Housing Allowance

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References:				
Name	Address	Phone Numbers	Relation	Email
Rev. Lance Jones	221 Parker Pt., Hot Springs, AR 71913	(501) 276-7281	Temporary Pastor	jlancej742gmail.com
Rev. Dianne Brown	5130 McNatt Ln., Texarkana, AR 71854	(903) 826-0926	Former Pastor/Friend of Cogregation	greganddiannebrown@gmail.com
Stacy Cogbill	6131 Windy Hill Dr., Texarkana, AR 71854	(903) 824-0405	Long Standing Member	cogbillstacy@gmail.com

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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