

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

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Ministry General Information

Ministry Number	72521
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Ministry Size	N/A

Ethnic Composition	
	Asian 1%
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 1%
	Hispanic Latino/Latina, Spanish 1%
	Other 97%

Average Worship Attendance	0
Church School Attendance	0
Curriculum	
Certified as eligible for participation in the Seminary Debt Assistance Program	False
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Presbytery	MAUMEE VALLEY PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF THE COVENANT
Community Type	N/A

Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization [Show Statistics](#)

Information about the position

Position:	General Presbyter/Executive Presbyter/Presbytery Leader
Experience Required:	No Experience
Specific Title:	General Presbyter
Employment Status:	Full-time

Language Requirements:	
	English

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

Training/Certificate Requirements:	
	Clinical Pastoral Education Training

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Interim Ministry Training

Other Training:

Brief Church Mission Statement:

We are called by Jesus Christ in this time and place, Living as covenant community; transforming lives and communities in Jesus Christ; making healthy transitions as leaders & congregations. We are the Presbyterian Church, USA regional body of Christ, in Northwest Ohio & Southeast Michigan.

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

As a presbytery, we are bound together by more than geography and polity—we are connected by our PC(USA) identity, our calling to mission, and our fellowship as a covenant community. We are a collegial presbytery, working together across a wide theological spectrum as we seek to equip the local churches to be followers of Christ. We cherish our fellowship together, whether engaged in the worshipful work of a presbytery meeting, sharing the Lord's Supper together, supporting one another in crisis, or singing together at Beer and Hymns.

Our current restructuring efforts are intended to further equip our congregations by developing new models of ministry and leadership development. We seek to creatively cultivate local leadership and empower our churches in all their diversity of size, theological orientation, and local settings, so that each of our churches may display the love of God. Our vision is to be a model to other presbyteries of new ways to do ministry in changing times.

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

NW Ohio and SE Michigan, once prosperous and homogeneous, are now experiencing economic insecurity and increasing diversity. Our churches see the changes, but find it challenging to minister effectively in a changing world. As a presbytery we support our smaller, financially struggling congregations through our Commissioned Ruling Elders for Pastoral Service program. We train and empower leaders through classes in preaching, Bible basics, and the Lord's Supper. We also encourage collaboration and sharing of resources among our congregations. In addition, we are exploring and trying flexible models for calling and sustaining our pastors. Hearing the cry that the pastoral search process is too lengthy, we are leading the way in calling pastors to a temporary-to-installed model, as in this current search for a new General Presbyter (GP).

As a presbytery, we seek to grow in vision and faithfulness that, wherever our communities are located, we might be able and willing to follow Christ in serving our neighbor and sharing the good news of the Gospel to whomever we encounter. A specific example of this is an emerging collaboration for urban ministry in downtown Toledo, a project in which multiple congregations are contributing financial, volunteer, and prayer support in order to initiate a new cooperative ministry.

Above all, we seek to grow in our prayerfulness as we discern God's vision for our Presbytery

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

We are looking for our GP to provide gifts of wisdom, creativity, imagination, and flexibility to challenge and guide us on our unfolding journey. This person will provide clear and collegial leadership, shepherding us through the transition to a new presbytery structure. Our GP will help us to expand our vision and courageously experiment with new ideas and new ministries.

Our GP will foster relationships with individual pastors and elders and encourage collaboration among our congregations. S/he will be a pastor to our pastors and the "face" of the presbytery through regular visitation to our churches. Our GP will help connect our churches to each other and to the wider denomination, empowering churches with resources to minister in relevant ways in today's world.

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

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We seek a person who is comfortable leading transition, helping us envision new ways of structuring ourselves and new possibilities for ministry. This person will be caring and concerned about the well-being of leaders and congregations, supporting, challenging, nurturing, and guiding us.

In the midst of difficult times—whether it is a church conflict, a building disaster in a congregation, or a disagreement on the floor of presbytery—this person will be a calming voice and a non-anxious presence, prayerfully leading. The GP should be a creative thinker, open to new ideas and possibilities, with strong experience on which to draw.

We are looking for a team builder and collaborator, someone who inspires us with new vision and is willing to walk beside us toward the future to which God calls us.

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

With a small but able staff, our GP is responsible for the day-to-day ongoing tasks of the presbytery office and community. Our GP will play an active role in working with the Council to design presbytery meetings, and be available to guide teams and committees of the presbytery as needed. S/he will maintain contact and expertise on denominational matters and be our key resource in our connections with the PCUSA.

Communication with and among the churches of the presbytery is essential. Our GP will help promote collaboration and partnerships among churches, such as the Grace/Collingwood (Toledo) urban ministry initiative.

In addition to the day-to-day leadership of the presbytery, our GP should be a person of vision, shepherding us through our transition to a new model of governance and leadership.

Optional Links:

<https://www.facebook.com/firstpresnorwalk/>

Leadership Competencies:

Hopeful

Spiritual Maturity

Public Communicator

Willingness to Engage Conflict

Organizational Agility

Strategy and Vision

Collaboration

Interpersonal Engagement

Bridge Builder

Motivator

Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary: \$60,028

Housing Type: Housing Allowance

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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