

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The First Presbyterian Church of Dexter, New Mexico is seeking a pastor for a permanent position.

Located in Southeastern New Mexico, First Presbyterian Church has served this small, agricultural community for generations as an active, caring and involved church. Having a facility that is paid for has allowed us to share our faith, fellowship, support for the community and youth of all ages, and mission; making the church the hub of the community.

We are looking for a pastor that God has called to be:

- Grounded in sound doctrine
- Caring and able to share love
- Inclusive and welcoming to all ages, including youth and children
- One who appreciates and enjoys living in a rural community
- Someone who leads by example
- A person with a heart of mission and evangelism

Further information about our church is available at firstpresbyterianchurchdexter.org

To apply, please send your Personal Information Form, resume and sermon recordings to:

The First Presbyterian Church Search Committee by email to:

pastorsearch.dexter.nm@gmail.com

Pastoral Job Description

First Presbyterian Church Dexter, New Mexico

Scriptural Bases: *So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ as well as a partaker in the glory that is to be revealed. Tend the flock of God that is your charge, not by constraint but willingly, not for shameful gain but eagerly, not as domineering over those in your charge but being examples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd is manifested you will obtain the unfading crown of glory. (1 Peter 5:1-4)*

And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the cunning of men, by their craftiness in deceitful wiles. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every joint with which it is supplied, when each part is working properly, makes bodily growth and upbuilds itself in love. (Ephesians 4:11-16)

Worship and Teaching (Approximately 30% of time)

There are certain responsibilities that fall solely to the Pastor with regard to worship and there are other areas that he/she may provide leadership, instruction, or assistance.

- Primary: Preaching and Sacraments
Leading/Planning Worship
Coordinating Music
- Secondary: Youth Ministry
Knowledge of Worship Technology
Confirmation Class
Resource Church Committees
Choir

Pastoral Care (Approximately 30% of time)

The Pastor is to be active in ministries of Christian care, especially as they pertain to his/her training and office.

- Primary: Visiting Members in Need
Wedding and Funeral Services
Pastoral Counseling (within the limitations of training)
- Secondary: Premarital Counseling
Greet New Members/Visitors

Greater Church and Community Involvement (Approximately 30% of time)

The Pastor represents the interests and mission of the church.

- Primary: Presbytery Membership and Involvement
Moderate Session and advise committees
- Secondary: Local School and Community Involvement
Pecos Valley Alliance

Personal Development (Approximately 10% of time)

There are certain habits that support the Pastor's work that relate particularly to personal and spiritual growth, leadership development, health and stability.

- Primary: Family obligations as a husband and father
Time Spent in Study/Reading
Spiritual Disciplines
Continuing Education
Observe days off and take vacations
- Secondary: Exercise of Mind and Body