

# Cup Evangelical Presbyterian Church 530 Blackhawk Rd. ~ Beaver Falls, PA. 15010 724-843-1594 cupepc.org

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### Job Description – Pastor/Teaching Elder CUP EPC

Summary: The pastor is called, working with the elders, to lead the congregation in fulfilling the vision of the church. The primary responsibility of the teaching elder is to provide spiritual leadership, guidance, and pastoral care to the congregation in accordance with the teachings of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. The pastor will serve as a shepherd to the congregation, nurturing their faith, facilitating their spiritual growth, and fostering a sense of community within the church.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

- 1. Preaching and teaching. Deliver engaging and biblically sound sermons and teachings that inspire and edify the congregation to seek the Holy Spirit's direction in all aspect of life.
- 2. Pastoral care. Provide compassionate care and support to individuals and families in times of need, including counseling, visitation, and prayer ministry. Officiate at weddings and funerals.
- 3. Leadership development. Equip and empower lay leaders and volunteers for ministry, fostering a culture of fruitful discipleship and service within the church community.
- 4. Ambassador. Lead efforts to purposefully engage with and serve the local community, demonstrating Christ's love through acts of compassion and evangelism.
- 5. Administration and governance. Oversee the administrative functions of the church along with the staff. Lead staff meetings.
- 6. Collaboration. Work collaboratively with and provide guidance to church elders, deacons, trustees, staff, and other ministry leaders to implement the vision of the church.
- 7. Lead the Session. Prepare the agenda and act as moderator of session (elder) meetings.
- 8. Worship. Attend worship committee meetings and work closely with the lead elder of this team.
- 9. Sacraments. Serve communion on a regular basis.
- 10. Membership. When appropriate, hold classes for prospective members and conduct confirmation classes for youth.
- 11. Continuing education. Pursue ongoing personal and professional development through study, training, and participation in denominational conferences and events.

#### **Qualifications**

#### Required

- A deep personal faith in Jesus Christ.
- Ordination or eligibility for ordination in the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.
- Graduate-level theological education from an accredited seminary or theological institution.
- Strong communication skills, both oral and written, with the ability to communicate biblical truths effectively and knowledgably with wisdom and compassion to diverse audiences.
- A shepherd's heart for pastoral care and a willingness and ability to engage and successfully communicate with people of all ages and backgrounds.
- Adherence to high ethical standards and a commitment to integrity in ministry.

#### Preferred

- Pastor experience and demonstrated ability to provide effective leadership in a congregational setting.
- Proficiency in pastoral counseling and conflict resolution.



## Pastor ~ Rev. Dr. Marc Shefelton Director of Children & Youth Ministries ~ Joel Cunniff

