

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

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Ministry General Information

Ministry Number	01486
Ministry Name	Faith United Presbyterian Church
Mailing Address	200 S. 8th Street Monmouth, IL 61462
Phone	309-734-5129
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E-Mail	faithup@maplecity.com
WWW Address	www.faithpresmonmouth.org
Ministry Size	101 - 250 members

Ethnic Composition	
	Asian 1%
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 1%
	White 97%
	Other 1%

Average Worship Attendance	85
Church School Attendance	16
Curriculum	Ralph Milton lectionary story Bible; sermons4kids.com
Certified as eligible for participation in the Seminary Debt Assistance Program	False
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Presbytery	GREAT RIVERS PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF LINCOLN TRAILS
Community Type	Town

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

Information about the position

Position:	Solo Pastor
Experience Required:	First Ordained Call
Specific Title:	
Employment Status:	Full-time

Language Requirements:	
	English

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

Training/Certificate Requirements:	
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Other Training:	
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Brief Church Mission Statement:

We are a community of faith committed to serving Christ, spreading God's word to our neighbors and the world, and enabling Christians to do God's work.

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

Our vision is to be a church where love works, as defined by Jesus' commandment to love one another. We will learn and evolve to meet changing needs in our congregation, community, and world, where God calls us to act. Faith UP is in a time of self-discovery and change, accepting the reality that we will not look the same as we once did in the past, but the church will still continue to be a vital force in the lives of its congregation and community. One example is our WNL program which serves children grades 1-6 in our church and the community. We provide school pick-up, Bible study, music, and a sit down dinner complete with church members as table parents. Another example is our annual August ice cream social, which provides outreach in the community, involves almost every church member, and brings in needed funds for church and mission projects. Over 25 years ago we were challenged to partner with the village of Kandithankulum, India, when two Monmouth College professors from India who were a part of our congregation, shared the needs of this small village. Being part of building a medical clinic and outfitting school children with uniforms and school supplies, along with numerous other basic needs of the village, has connected us with God's children in another part of the world. These are just a few of the examples of our call to be disciples of God's word. We, at Faith, believe in mission whether it be inside Faith UP, in our community, or half a world away.

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

Emerging needs are evident in our congregation and in our community. Faith UP is strong in its desire for a full-time pastor, one who will help lead us and teach us God's word. We aspire to become a congregation where staff and laity are supported, respected, and encouraged in their ministries. It is important that we all, led by the pastor, work as one cohesive body to fulfill our church mission goals.

Ever aware of the need to build membership, we also are concerned with involving new members in the life of the church. Building cohesiveness among people in the congregation will strengthen the relationships within our church. We must become financially sound to strengthen Faith UP for the future, and call upon the entire congregation to contribute to this endeavor. To be known as a welcoming church is a goal. We also desire to embrace people of all ages, races, economic levels, sexual orientations, abilities, and religions. Finally, we seek to strengthen our relationship with Monmouth College—a Presbyterian church-related liberal arts college and a source of pride in Monmouth and at Faith UP.

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

At Faith UP we believe each person is called to ministry, and together we endeavor to become a congregation that shows love just as Jesus taught us to love God, one another, and our neighbors both near us and far away. The pastor called to serve will carefully learn who we are and what we do, then articulate thoughtful ways for us to worship, serve, and better build our faith in the years ahead. We expect our new pastor will help us develop and implement strategies to reach new people and to integrate them and their life experiences into our congregation. We envision our pastor helping to equip and encourage us to make changes to attract members from the Monmouth community, young adults, and families with children and youth. He/she will participate in ecumenical and interfaith organizations and events in order to help the congregation build bridges in the Monmouth and Warren County areas to connect and work with people of different cultures, world views, and beliefs. We look for a leader who will challenge us to do all this together.

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

Our church has a desire to reinvigorate and renew. With that in mind, Faith UP desires a pastor who has vision, initiative, and is a self-starter. We look for a communicator with the ability to relate across age groups and one who will be able to inspire and motivate us with new ideas and ways of doing things. He/she should be able to listen to us, work with us, and then coach and collaborate with us. Demonstration of the personal qualities of compassion, patience, and humor are important. Finally, we seek that person who believes in Faith UP's potential to be a vibrant congregation in the life of our community.

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

The **pastor** at Faith United Presbyterian Church will perform routine pastoral duties. In addition he/she will be actively involved in our church's outreach in the community and in interfaith experiences. This includes fostering connections with the Monmouth College community—its chaplains, students, administration, and faculty. Our pastor will visit shut-ins and serve them Communion and assist the Outreach Committee in visits to prospective members. Fellowship group opportunities will be cultivated by the pastor, along with providing guidance for the Christian Education program and youth ministries, which includes leading Confirmation. The pastor's presence at our successful Wednesday after school program open to all children ages first through sixth grades is vital. Wednesday Night Live has been in existence at Faith for twenty-seven years and is an important part of the church and its outreach in the community.

Optional Links:

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https://facebook.com Faith United Presbyterian Church
 www.faithpresmonmouth.org

Leadership Competencies:

Compassionate
 Preaching and Worship Leadership
 Spiritual Maturity
 Communicator
 Technologically Savvy
 Risk Taker
 Financial Manager
 Collaboration
 Interpersonal Engagement
 Motivator

Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary: \$46,717

Housing Type: Housing Allowance

References:

Name	Address	Phone Numbers	Relation	Email
Rev. Dr. Teri Ott	700 E. Broadway, Monmouth, IL 61462	309-550-8751	Chaplain-- Monmouth College	teriottmonmouthcollege.edu
Rev. Charles Cunningham	125 Knox Road 940 N., Galesburg, IL 61401	309-221-8168	transitional pastor	chas3_99@yahoo.com
Rev. James Benson	Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church 2324 18th Ave. Rock Island, IL 61201-3615	309-788-4050	COM Liaison	james@goodshepherdpres.org

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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