Announcement of Pastoral Internship
St Peter's Presbyterian Church (PCA), New Orleans, LA

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Job Description
St Peter’s Presbyterian Church, based in the Mid-City neighborhood of New Orleans, announces an upcoming vacancy for a pastoral intern beginning in late summer/early autumn 2017.

The ideal candidate for this position will be a committed believer in the divinity and sovereignty of Jesus Christ, possessing both a heart for pastoral ministry and care, and a passion for the nurture and growth of the individual, the family, the neighborhood, and the city. The candidate will either have a graduate degree (M.Div or D.Div) from a recognized seminary or be close to its completion, provided that completion will not greatly interfere with the duties of this position. While personal membership in the PCA is not required for the candidate, understanding of and accordance with our theology, our liturgy, and our beliefs regarding church polity and governance are required.

The main duties of this intern include:
- assisting the senior pastor with weekly worship;
- undertaking occasional preaching and regular leading of Bible studies and prayer meetings;
- maintaining daily spiritual disciplines, including Scripture reading, prayer, and reflection;
- pursuing pastoral care of parishioners in the congregation;
- performing administrative and outreach tasks involving church functions and lay ministries;
- participating in regular meetings with pastoral staff and the church leadership team; and
- engaging in any other efforts that promote the growth of the church and the well-being of its members, as needed and as they arise.

In general, the average work-week will not exceed 40 hours, though such ministry will not always follow a 9-5 Monday-Friday model. Apart from the skills required of any pastor-in-training—first and foremost a deep love for Christ and for fellow man, and a core knowledge of Biblical history and theology—other professional skills required include excellent communication, reliability, dependability, and some technological literacy (for maintaining websites and other media).

Compensation for this position will be competitive, and commensurate with an entry-level position for a recent seminary graduate. Start date for the position is somewhat negotiable, but the candidate should expect to start no earlier than July 2017, and no later than September-October 2017. St. Peter’s welcomes applications from candidates of all backgrounds, ethnicities, geographies, and denominations.

Contact
Pastor Shane Gibson, shngbsn@stpetersnola.com. Candidates should submit a cover letter (1-2pp.) describing their interest in the position and their qualifications, as well as a brief testimony of their faith in Christ. A current CV, including 2-3 references, is also required. Applications will be received until the position is filled.
About St. Peter's
St. Peter’s Presbyterian Church is a new community of faith, a church plant of Redeemer Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Uptown New Orleans. A member of the PCA denomination and a recognized plant under the Louisiana state Presbytery, St Peter’s first began holding services in January 2015, and since that time has sought simply to love and serve our neighborhood, and share the good news of God’s love for humanity with our neighbors, family, and friends. Our parishioners come from all walks of life and live all over the city, but we are bound by a common love of Jesus Christ and of the city of New Orleans, and seek actively to engage in advancing God’s kingdom through worship, service, prayer, and fellowship.

While grounded in a core liturgy, worship services at St. Peter’s are ecumenical in nature and contemporary in style, and our doors are open to all. Regular services take place every Sunday at 9am in Gaudet Hall at St. Luke's Episcopal Church at 1222 N. Dorgenois Street, with additional smaller Bible studies and prayer services throughout the week. More information about our history, beliefs, and ministries is available on our website at http://stpetersnola.com.