

## Liberty Church, PCA

### Senior Pastor Job Description Applications

Requested by Wednesday, July 18, 2018

To apply, please send the following to: [Liberty.PNC@aol.com](mailto:Liberty.PNC@aol.com)

- Ministerial Data Form (MDF)
- Resume
- Links to three or more sermons preached by the applicant

Liberty Church, located in Owings Mills, Maryland, is seeking a Senior Pastor with a clear calling from God to preach the Word of God in the power of The Holy Spirit. The church was founded in 1969, built by dedicated members who renovated a barn into a house of worship. We have grown to 240 members with approximately 225 who worship on Sundays. We are an evangelistic-oriented church. Our church has a strong focus on missions as reflected by 20% of our annual budget being committed to missions and the support of missionaries. One of our main ministries is Liberty Christian School, which is located on the premises. Please visit [www.libertychurchpca.org](http://www.libertychurchpca.org) to learn more about our church.

We are seeking a pastor committed to the Reformed tradition (based on the Westminster Confession of Faith as a Doctrinal Summary of the Scriptures); reverent worship; expository proclamation of the Word; and evangelism to lead those within and outside the Church to receive Jesus Christ. Preaching must rely on the Holy Spirit to reveal the fullness of God's character, proclaim the amazing grace of the gospel, demonstrate Christ's greatness making Him worthy of our praise and adoration, convey our immense depravity before The Holy God, and work in the hearts of the congregation to bring about conviction of sin and desire for godliness. This person must meet the requirements for office as given in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and hold to both the theological standards and the form of government of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) denomination. This person will have a special God-given love and understanding for The Word and be devoted to the service of Christ by faithfully preaching and teaching the Word of God, administering the sacraments, and caring for the congregation. The ideal candidate will have demonstrated pastoral teaching experience.

The Search Committee and Session have identified the following areas of gifts and strengths which we are seeking. Specifically, the Senior Pastor should be very gifted in and passionate about filling the following ministerial roles:

- The Senior Pastor's primary focus will be the Word and Sacraments. He is to plan and lead the worship of the church in partnership with the music leadership, to exposit, teach, proclaim, and apply the Word of God as written in the Old and New Testaments, to administer the sacraments, and actively pray and intercede for the local body.

- A secondary focus for the Senior Pastor will be Pastoral Leadership, Discipleship, and Teaching. He is to nurture and challenge the congregation toward the goal of being Christ's servant disciples within the flock, within our individual families, and into our surrounding communities. He will serve as the Moderator of the Session, develop and disciple the Session, Deacons, and Staff. He will partner with elected church leadership and committee chairs to communicate vision and direction, supervising and coordinating the ministries of

the staff and committees. The pastor will have an active teaching role, interpreting and teaching the scriptures, theological concepts, history of the Church, and current events. • The Senior Pastor will have varying responsibilities in Pastoral Care (i.e., visitation and counseling) and Administration. The Senior Pastor will lovingly shepherd staff and the congregation and equip members of the congregation who are called to ministries of teaching and preaching and lovingly discourage those who are not called but desire to teach anyway.

Desired giftedness, skills, and characteristics:

- Biblical exegetical skills (expository approach)
- Strong doctrinal base
- Love of teaching and discipleship
- Pastoral care/loving well/shepherding
- Devotional and committed to prayer • Strong role model/example ministry

*The Reformation is not over. It cannot be over and must not be over until all who call themselves Christians have one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. The cause of sola Scriptura, sola fide, sola gratia, solus Christus, and soli Deo Gloria remains the cause of and for biblical truth. –R.C. Sproul*