

## February 1, 2020 REVISION: Pastoral position opening

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We are conveniently located in the Foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains. Gatlinburg, Pigeon Forge, and Dollywood are nearby. The University of TN Knoxville campus (home of the TN Vols) is within a 20-minute drive. East Tennessee is filled with a diversity of attractions, recreational areas and annual festivals.

### **Brief Church History:**

The Home Mission Committee of the Knoxville Presbytery formally organized Trinity Presbyterian Church on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1945 with 27 charter members. Reverend W. J. Boyd was the first pastor of Trinity. The pastors that came after Reverend Boyd were Reuben T. Allen, J.R. Ellington, Robert G. Schwanebeck, Basil P. Albert, William H. Bell Jr., Robert L. Craggs, Timothy Stigers, and David H. Anderson 1998-2019.

On June 10, 1973 the congregation of Trinity voted to withdraw from the Presbyterian Church in the United States. In October of that year Trinity became a charter member of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

### **Mission statement:**

Trinity Presbyterian Church, PCA exists to represent the living God, and to obey the commands of Christ; to be His witnesses in the world and to disciple those whom the Father has given to His Son.

We're striving to become the kind of church described in the Bible, where there's Bible based teaching, heart-felt worship, honest friendships, on-going prayer, and compassionate care for those in need.

### **Church demographics:**

- Weekly services are Wednesday evening Bible Study and Sunday morning Sunday School and Worship Service.
- Monthly Christian fellowship activities consist of an evening of song with a meal held on the first Sunday evening of the month, birthday celebrations held monthly immediately after Sunday morning worship with cake and ice cream, and one additional fellowship activity that changes monthly. The Ladies of the Church meet twice monthly.
- Our Sunday Worship attendance averages 30 and Wednesday Bible Study is ten to fifteen.
- The majority of our members are seniors with approximately one third being middle age and virtually only one or two youth.
- The church is physically located in Maryville, TN with the manse being located approximately a mile away from the church in Alcoa, TN. Alcoa City Schools was named as a top performing school system for 2017 and earned the "Exemplary Designation."

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## **Position opening:**

- Pastor with the knowledge, skills and ability to lead, teach, and help us in the revitalization of our church. The ideal candidate would be skilled in recruiting youth and meeting the needs of all ages in their Christian journey. Pastoral duties would include conducting worship services, home and hospital visitations, and participating in church activities. Youth ministry challenges will be inclusive of relational discipleship, administrative oversight, and ministry development. This position will report to the Session. There will be opportunities for personal growth consistent with the growth of Trinity.

## **Worship Ministry:**

- While we have a deep love for the old hymns, we recognize newer music can be a needed change to assist in growing our ministry.
- Evaluate our current situation, develop and implement innovative solutions to expand the worship ministry.
- Conduct worship services.
- Meet monthly with the Church Leadership for prayer and planning.

## **Youth Ministry responsibilities:**

- With our current situation of a predominately “senior” congregation and basically no youth, considerable effort should be placed on recruiting young families resulting in increasing our youth attendance. We recognize youth are the future of Trinity PCA.
- Assist parents with the discipleship of their youth.
- Continually explore opportunities for growth of the youth ministry through service projects, trips and retreats, etc. Engage the youth through Christ centered curriculum.
- Provide opportunities for the church membership to assist in youth programs by being actively involved and through mentoring.

## **Qualifications:**

- Posses a reformed understanding of the scripture.
- Be of strong character and demonstrate that by actions.
- Have a musical aptitude.
- Possess good communication skills.
- Be an ordained Teaching Elder in the PCA.

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