Hello!

My name is Pastor Jeff Zehnder, Head Pastor of Fairview Reformed Presbyterian Church in Western Pennsylvania, a PCA body. Feel free to look up our church online. Our church is looking for a new staff member.

We are an active church with many ministries. And we need some ministry help. We are looking for a man to serve in ministry in multiple ways, but his primary calling will be leading our student ministries at Fairview. Ideally, musical worship leading would be his other labor, via guitar or piano. But other possibilities of ministerial work could include: Helping design Sunday worship services, occasional Sunday worship leadership, occasional preaching, outreach ministry or leading mission trips, being a ministry coordinator for our many ministries, or something else in which the candidate has a particular gift or skill that would fill a need here. Fairview has one of the strongest Reformed youth groups for our county right now, with servant-oriented youth and youth leaders.

We are looking for someone with a calling to students right now. Either non-ordained individuals (vocational school or college graduates) or seminary graduates both can apply. One reason we seek a recent seminary graduate is that we believe we are positioned to provide a perfect place for a new pastor to start a lifetime of ministry. We have a relatively healthy, social church with a supportive, united session. We can provide a means toward ordination, should the candidate desire it. Lastly, one should expect a fair amount of contact with the head pastor, with co-laboring and mentoring as he is able to provide it. Character matters greatly to us. We are looking for someone who is Godward in his life, God-dependent in prayer, authentically loves God’s word and loves to teach God’s word, highly responsible, self-initiating, able to facilitate a team of volunteer leaders, and either comes from a small town life or is willing to be molded by God to meet that calling. But again: someone who senses a call to serve students right now.

Our location is both rural and industrial in way of life, with bushy trees, woods, rivers, creeks, peaceful farms, old and new factories, and a collection of smaller rural towns, about an hour from Pittsburgh and 35 minutes from Geneva College. Fairview is a mission- and teaching-oriented fellowship. We do not expect perfection. But we believe in faithfulness.

Thank you for your interest! Please apply by sending a resume and cover letter (and mdf, if you have it) to me at pastorjeff@fairviewpca.org. Ensure either your resume or mdf has references for us to contact. A sound file or link to a delivered sermon or message would be a great help. We desire to call someone before the fall of 2020, but Covid delayed our original plans already.

Yours in the lamb, Jesus Christ,

Pastor Jeff K. Zehnder

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1 Our musical style is blended, historic hymns and newer songs, and music direction would include multiple musicians.