



Assistant Pastor of Church Planting

Summary

University Reformed Church (PCA) is seeking candidates for an Assistant Pastor to serve with its daughter church plant, Fellowship Reformed Church (PCA), in Mount Pleasant, MI. Applicants should be a recent graduate from a rigorous seminary and be ordainable in the PCA. Ideal candidates will have an evident heart for Christ, for His Church, and for those who are lost and perishing apart from Him. Ideal candidates will also be interested in the work of church planting, with an openness to planting in the Great Lakes Presbytery.

Fellowship Reformed Church is a young PCA church plant in Mount Pleasant, MI operating under the oversight of University Reformed Church's Session. Mount Pleasant, MI is a university town, being the home of NCAA Division I Central Michigan University (10,000+ undergraduate students, 4000+ graduate students) and a well-attended local community college. Mount Pleasant, MI is also the home of the Saginaw-Chippewa Tribal Lands. Approximately 43,000 residents live in the Mount Pleasant zip code. We have had 30+ people regularly gathering for Bible Study.

Qualifications

- 1. We're seeking a candidate who meets the biblical requirements for elder found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-9, and 1 Peter 5:1-4, maintaining a lifestyle of Christian integrity in humble dependence upon God's grace.
- 2. The candidate will either possess or be close to completing an M.Div. from a robust evangelical seminary.
- 3. The candidate will embrace the ordinary means of God's grace (Scripture, sacrament, prayer) in their personal Christian life and their philosophy of ministry, working well under the vision of the Lead Pastor and the provisional session.

Responsibilities

The successful candidate will be involved in all of the various tasks associated with the early and ongoing stages of planting a church. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Prayer for the church plant members and regular attenders
- 2. Evangelistic outreach (formal and informal), especially to local college campuses.
- 3. Sharing in preaching and teaching (at least 6 times each year)
- 4. Assisting in shepherding and home visitation
- 5. Hospitality and investment in discipleship meetings with other believers
- 6. Assist in worship and liturgy planning
- 7. Volunteer coordination & development of new ministries as the church plant grows

Compensation and Benefits

The term of the position will ideally be at least three years, or as otherwise arranged. The church plant pledges to pay at least one third of the call package. The candidate will be asked to raise the remaining funds to cover their remaining financial need (the package will vary depending on family status and experience). Package includes 4 weeks paid time off, 1 week of study leave, medical and dental insurance, and other benefits. The compensation package is appropriate for the cost of living in the Mount Pleasant, MI area. The candidate will receive coaching for raising financial support (if desired), and will be asked to raise full financial support prior to relocating to Mount Pleasant.



Meet the Lead Church Planter

Devon Rossman was raised in central Michigan in a Christian home. In college he attended University Reformed church and was introduced to expository preaching and Reformed theology for the first time. After sensing a call to ministry, Devon attended seminary at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, MI and obtained his M.Div. while serving as a Church Fellow Planting at Shepherd PCA in Kalamazoo, MI. Devon is married to Taylor, and they have five children: Liesl, Dorothy, Adele, Edmund, and one on the way.

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