Jackson Township

Butler County, Pennsylvania

Encompassing the boroughs of Zelienople, Harmony, and Evans City

Presbytery of the Ascension Church Plant Profile

Presbyterian Church in America

Jackson Township Area Statistics

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 Population:
 22,515

 Ten Year Increase (2010-2020)
 33.5%

 Two Year Projected Increase (2022)
 14.6%

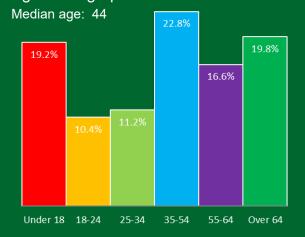
 Median Family Income:
 \$109,259

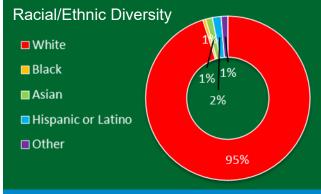
 Median Home Value:
 \$282,300

 Median Rent:
 \$1,106

 Poverty Rate:
 4.4%

Age Demographics



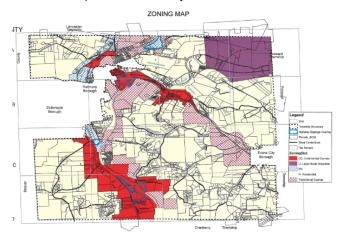


The Presbytery of the Ascension, in cooperation with area PCA churches, is seeking to plant a church in the rapidly growing corridor north of Pittsburgh, PA. Jackson Township, a desirable bedroom community, encompasses the boroughs of Zelienople, Harmony, and Evans City in southwestern Butler County, PA.

Zelienople is a popular destination for both highway travelers and visitors who are attracted to its small town charm. "Zelie" is conveniently located near 1-79 and US 19, and referred to by many residents as a "Crossroads Community."

Harmony, a quaint village of old brick and log buildings, is one of western PA's most historically important places and is a National Historic Landmark District. This town is packed with history and features shops, restaurants, cafes and more – a great way to spend a day walking about.

Evans City is the name given in 1882 at the city's incorporation of a borough of an old settlement. For a long time its site was a favorite camping ground for the Indians, who named the creek Big Beaver Run. When oil was discovered in 1915, it precipitated the growth of the little town. Evans City is located about five miles southeast of Zelienople and Harmony on Rt. 68.



While growing and changing, the local municipalities have taken great steps to preserve the neighborly feel of its long standing communities. But the area's greatest need is the gospel. The Presbytery of the Ascension is hoping that by God's grace a gospel movement will begin in Jackson Township that will spread throughout Western Pennsylvania and beyond.



Zelienople Harmony Evans Cit



Highlights:

Jackson Township is part of one of the fastest growing areas in Western PA, offering ample new housing and amenities.

With easy access to downtown Pittsburgh, from Zelienople, the Pittsburgh Int'l Airport (30 minutes south) Lake Erie (1.5 hours to the north) and within 20 minutes of Moraine State Park & McConnell's Mills State Park.

Education:

The area is served by the Seneca Valley School District, a top 10% district in PA.

(population over age 25)

96% High School Grad or higher

31% Bachelor's Degree

19% Graduate or Professional

50 colleges within 50 miles



Households with Children

Married Couple 85%
Single Mom 12%
Single Dad 3%

Candidate Strengths:

- Winsome and engaging intellectual, who can communicate the gospel and doctrines of grace clearly with the highly educated, as well as the blue-collar crowd
- Appreciates the values of this area: family, hard work, and being a good neighbor
- A heart for mercy ministry as some parts of these communities are afflicted with unemployment, broken homes, depression and drugs/alcohol addiction
- Ideally would have relational ties to Western PA

Support Network:

- Advice of experienced church planters in the region
- One-third of the expected financial support needed for first three years to be provided by the Presbytery

Imagine:

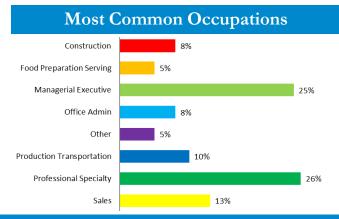
A church that leads people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and equips them to live their lives fully for the glory of God and to serve their neighbors out of love for Christ.

A church that actively, intentionally, wisely and faithfully seeks to plant new churches in surrounding communities and region.

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