Grace Church Buckhannon

Interim Pastor Position

Overview: Help a young church continue its mission of outreach and experience "almost heaven" West Virginia. Grace Church in Buckhannon, WV is seeking an Interim Pastor to preach, teach, lead worship, provide pastoral care, share in outreach, and guide the Session during a period of pastoral transition. The Organizing Pastor who came in 2019 is planning to leave at the end of 2026. This full-time position will be available as early as January 2027 and is expected to continue for a year.

Grace Church: Grace Church has a strategic mission of "sharing, delighting, and growing in the grace of God." Along with reaching its local community, Grace church started a Sunday evening service for worship and outreach in the neighboring town of Elkins which is 30 minutes east of Buckhannon in 2025. Other outreach efforts include packing weekend food for the local elementary school right next to the church.

The church particularized in 2025 and is blessed with a large facility in a good location. There is a healthy balance of ages and stages of people at Grace. The average weekly worship attendance is 75, and many people come from 30 minutes away or more. The church budget is sufficient to support a full-time pastor and a well-rounded program. It is served by three Ruling elders.

You can learn more about Grace Church by visiting the website at www.wvgrace.com.

Buckhannon: Buckhannon is located in north-central West Virginia. There is a private college (West Virginia Wesleyan), a local hospital, and a stable population. People enjoy the many outdoor recreational opportunities the area affords such as skiing, cycling, boating, fishing, and hiking. There are also many parks and cultural attractions throughout the state.

You can learn more about Buckhannon at www.visitbuckhannon.org.

New River Presbytery: New River is a small Presbytery with seven churches but has a robust RUF campus ministry at WVU and several prospects for new church plants. Members of the Presbytery are caring and supportive of one another.

Process: If you are interested in being considered for the position please submit an MDF or resume and links to recent sermons to Chris Meeker at cjmeeker@yahoo.com.