

Grace & Peace Presbyterian Church 321 S Limerick Road Limerick, PA 19468-1607 Email: contact@graceandpeacepc.org

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Our Need - A Solo Pastor

Grace & Peace Presbyterian Church (G&P) is seeking a full-time solo pastor for our church community.

See our <u>Job Description</u> at the bottom of this document. Email your information to <u>contact@graceandpeacepc.org</u> with the subject line "Pastor Application".

Our Story & Mission

Grace & Peace is a church plant started in Spring City, PA, by pastor Bill Mayk in the early 2000s with the support of the Philadelphia presbytery and local PCA churches. In 2006, having moved to North Coventry, G&P became a particular church of the Metro-West Philadelphia Presbytery where we worshiped at West-Mont Christian School for 16 years and grew to about 85 average attendees. In April of 2020, G&P moved to St. James UCC church in Limerick, PA, which gave us a building with more permanent facilities that includes worship space, an office, and meeting rooms. Limerick is a growing suburban community and one of the largest townships in Montgomery County.

The reality - We need to Rebuild and Refresh the Church

- We have had many families move away or leave the church since the beginning of covid. The remaining members are active and faithful to the work of the church.
- Our regular attendance has fallen to about 40-50.

Our Core Values

Grace & Peace desires to glorify God through worship, fellowship, and outreach to the Limerick area. We are committed to remaining faithful to the Scriptures, true to the Reformed faith, and obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ. We are an inter-generational congregation that values being a "family," the regular means of grace, encouraging the fellowship of the saints, and a mission to share the gospel.

As a church, we seek to:

- worship in a way that honors God with Christ-centered preaching and the regular administration of the sacraments.
- teach doctrine that is true to the Scriptures and the Reformed tradition.
- develop relationships that are dependent on God's grace and guided by love and holiness.
- <u>obev</u> the Great Commission through gospel-centered ministry that demonstrates the compassion of Christ and the need for God's saving grace.

We aspire to:

know Christ and understand our faith such that we are able to organically "be Christ" to those we encounter. We seek to know Christ and share our lives.

become mature Christians as individuals, as families, and as a congregation.

have a pastor who shepherds and leads the session to be shepherds of the congregation. We seek a pastor that prioritizes getting to know the congregation individually.

Our Worship

We have an hour-long worship service that meets at 10:30AM.

- We uphold the centrality of Jesus Christ in expository and systematic preaching.
- We currently celebrate the Lord's Supper weekly.
- We confess our faith as a congregation using historical creeds of the church such as the Apostles or Nicene creeds.
- We encourage family worship but provide a nursery for those under 5 years if they cannot attend the full service.
- We value God-centered hymns which allow the congregation to be in God's presence, give Him praise, and build community by the expression of words in song. We select hymns in alignment with our theology such as those in the Trinity Hymnal or composers such as the Gettys and Stuart Townend. We encourage our musical members to help with accompaniment under the direction of our pianist. In the past, we have had violin, guitar, and flute accompanying the keyboard. Our goal with all worship music is to support God's people in singing praises to our God as our creator, redeemer, and king. We believe music should not be performance-oriented, distracting, or elitist.

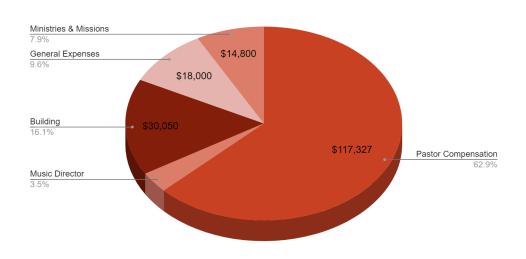
Current Church Activities

Bible Study and Fellowship

- Sunday School for adults and children every other week before worship.
- Home Group (two times per month) for: fellowship, singing, bible study (currently using sermon text), and prayer.
- Men's and Women's Bible studies
- Quarterly Men's breakfast and fellowship (Saturday morning) which often includes a guest speaker.
- Committees: Outreach, Missions, Women's Fellowship and Education

Stats

- Our church currently has a solo pastor and a congregation composed of 40 family units with 70 communicant and 17 non-communicant members. There are 4 ruling elders and 4 deacons. Our weekly attendance averages around 48 worshippers.
- We meet for worship at a leased church facility in Limerick, Pennsylvania.
- Our current pastor, William Mayk, is the organizing pastor. He is scheduled to retire in September of 2024.
- Grace & Peace was made a particular church in October 2006 in the Metro-West Philadelphia Presbytery of the PCA.



Budget

Background on Our Building

In the beginning of 2020, we negotiated a contract with St. James UCC church in Limerick, PA, to lease the fellowship hall for worship along with multiple sunday school rooms and storage space. We have access to these rooms and a kitchen throughout the week along with a permanent church office. We hope to move our worship to the purpose built worship space (sanctuary) and are currently engaged with the leadership of St. James to consider this option. We have had a great relationship with St. James since moving here in 2020.

Job Description

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• The candidate will have the opportunity to minister in various contexts that are consistent with a growing suburban location. A suitable candidate should have some pastoral experience.

Responsibilities

- Preaching/Teaching.
 - o Lead and preach at Sunday worship.
 - o Administer the Lord's Supper weekly during worship.
- Assist in counseling/discipling and other general pastoral duties as needed.
- Cultivate home group ministry.
- Lead the Christian Education Committee and oversee the educational opportunities at G&P including Sunday school and youth ministries.
 - o Recruit, train and disciple youth volunteer leadership.
 - o Work with other leaders to better integrate our youth into the life of the church.
 - o Assist in family discipleship activities.
- Assist in leadership training at G&P.
 - o Identify future leaders and oversee their spiritual growth.
- Participate in community outreach activities in conjunction with the Outreach committee.
- Participation at Presbytery and General Assembly.

Benefits

- 1. Salary commensurate with experience
- 2. Retirement fund contribution
- 3. Medical and Life/Disability Insurance contribution
- 4. A vacation and study leave
- 5. Six-month sabbatical at 7 years

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