

Church Leadership Connection
The Call System for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Mif #: 08889.ADO

Ministry General Information

Ministry Number	08889
Ministry Name	Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church
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WWW Address	http://www.mountolympuschurch.com/home
Ministry Size	251 - 400 members

Ethnic Composition	
	Asian 3%
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 1%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander 2%
	White 93%
	Other 1%

Average Worship Attendance	229
Church School Attendance	100
Curriculum	The Gospel Project by Lifeway
Yoked	False
Presbytery	UTAH PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS
Community Type	Suburban

Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization [Show Statistics](#)

Information about the position

Position:	Head of Staff (who supervised one teaching elder and other staff)
Experience Required:	5 to 10 Years
Specific Title:	
Employment Status:	Full-time

Language Requirements:	
	English

Other Language:	
Statement of Faith Required:	True
Clergy Couples:	

Training/Certificate Requirements:	
Other Training:	

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Brief Church Mission Statement:

To send people forth as caring, sharing, sacrificial, courageous, compassionate, and passionate followers of Christ who share the good news of God's love in Christ with all who will listen, and work for justice and peace in a broken world.

We worship the one God, who exists in three persons: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We know God through the Lord Jesus Christ, God's only Son, who is fully God and fully human. His death on the cross is how people have been reconciled to God, bringing forgiveness of sins. His resurrection in the body conquered death. We are made right with God, and have eternal life, through Jesus Christ alone. Human beings are created in the image of God but have become lost through sin. We are made right with God through grace as we accept this gift through faith. The Holy Spirit dwells in all believers to make the life of Christ a reality in us. The Bible is the authoritative and inspired Word of God. The church is the body of Christ and includes all those who confess Jesus Christ as Lord. We are a local expression of the universal church. Every believer is called to be a faithful member of a church and in covenant with God and others. Baptism recognizes God's gracious claim on our lives and is a sign of our faith in him. The Lord's Supper, or Communion, is the bread and the cup with which we give thanks for Christ's living, dying, and rising. To be a Christian is more than merely believing the right things. It requires living a life exuding love.

What is the congregation's or organization's vision for ministry:

MOPC's vision for ministry is:

To invite people to experience Christ through living in relationships of love, acceptance, and forgiveness with others. This is done with prayerful discernment which permeates all aspects of our church life and necessitates inviting others to join us in worship, and Christ-centered fellowship.

To offer joyful and dynamic worship where the congregation encounters and experiences God. Through music, prayer, teaching, emphasis on God's word, and our closing charge we are challenged and reminded of our commitment to Christ, the needs of the world, and the power of the Holy Spirit who leads us to serve.

To nurture, support, and equip the congregation to grow towards becoming passionate followers of Christ. This occurs through being transformed by God's Word through Bible studies for all ages, Christian education classes, gathering in small groups for growth and support, and guidance for discovering and using spiritual gifts.

To send people forth as caring, sacrificial, courageous, and compassionate followers of Jesus who share God's love in Christ, and work for justice and peace. The ways in which we serve others are multifaceted, including local and global missions, as well as showing Christ's love to those we encounter in our everyday lives.

Overall, we seek to grow, learn, and live in relationships that embody God's grace within the dynamic community of our Church in order to equip members to spread the good news of Christ.

How do you feel called to reach out to address the emerging needs of your community or constituency:

At MOPC we end Sunday services reciting a Charge of encouragement to each other; it starts with "go out into the world in peace and love, proclaim the good news" and concludes with "honor all people."

We believe service is part of Christian embodiment, part our own spiritual growth and reflection of Christ's work on earth. Therefore, we aim to develop meaningful relationships with sustainable mission partners and provide a variety of opportunities for all ages to engage in outreach both locally and globally. MOPC has a Christian daycare and kindergarten, with most children attending being from non-Christian homes. We collaborate in outreach to homeless/low-income persons, refugees, campus ministry, international students, and people leaving polygamy. And because the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is headquartered in Utah, our congregation seeks a loving approach to bridging a relationship despite the acknowledged differences.

To address specific trends of mental health, suicide, and substance abuse, MOPC offers a weekly support group for parents of addicted teens, AA meetings, and material to equip staff/youth leaders with training and resources to handle a variety of situations.

Globally, MOPC supports active ministries in Kenya, Tanzania, Myanmar, and several closed countries.

We are prayerfully open to expanding our mission outreach. We want people to know the peace, love, and saving grace of Jesus Christ, both within, and outside, our congregation.

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How will this position help you to reach your vision and mission goals:

The Pastor will motivate and lead Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church (MOPC) as we seek to grow into the church God wants us to be, challenging us to grow through Bible-based teaching, and guiding us to seek God's direction for this growth. The Pastor will act as the architect of worship and an influencer for transformation, preaching the Gospel, teaching scripture, and modeling key characteristics of Jesus (humility, forgiveness, encouragement, truth-telling, prayerfulness, and listening to the Holy Spirit), inspiring others by example to live as disciples of Christ.

The Pastor will act as a steward of MOPC's programs that nurture the faith of all ages (children, youth, adults, and seniors) and provide pastoral care and compassion to those in need in the church and community around us. The Pastor will engage with elders, staff, and ministry leaders, who are all eager to partner with the Pastor to implement our vision and achieve our mission goals. In the contemporary religious milieu, and in the geography of Salt Lake City, the Pastor will have occasion to interact with people of different religious backgrounds and theological viewpoints. With this in mind, there are great opportunities for building bridges while keeping true to Christian doctrine.

The Pastor will inspire and equip MOPC in our commitment to being Christ-centered and showing the love of God to those around us.

Provide a description of the characteristics needed by the person who is open to being called to this congregation and or organization:

We desire a Pastor who has a rich and deep personal relationship with Christ and has a heart to have a life shaped by God. This is closely tied to the Pastor's study of God's Word as the guide to salvation, and the ability to clearly and effectively pass this knowledge along via biblical preaching and teaching. This would include regular prayer, and a heart for listening and accepting God's guidance. The Pastor would be authentic, approachable, and have a good sense of humor. Along with this, the Pastor should have a strong support system and be resilient, in order to best handle the highs and lows of pastoral responsibilities in a healthy way.

MOPC is involved in a variety of ministries, but the congregation would like to see more growth and further outreach developed in the future. This will require a Pastor who has a vision for sustainable Christ-directed growth, is compassionate, organized, self-motivated, and is able to facilitate and mentor members and staff to best use their gifts.

The Pastor will need to model productive conflict management and flexibility in supervision that fosters personal growth and accountability. In a similar vein, our congregational size and breadth of activity requires that our Pastor collaborate effectively with others and can delegate tasks as appropriate. The Pastor should also promote meaningful connections and possess the ability to help facilitate strong bonds between members of the congregation.

Walking on water is optional.

What specific tasks, assignments, and program areas will this person have responsibility?

The Pastor will lead and preach at Sunday morning services (8:30 and 11), and teach the Bible as the dynamic, transforming, authoritative Word of God. The Pastor will help the congregation envision their mission and ministry to each other and the world through the recognition, development, and commitment of their unique spiritual gifts given by the Holy Spirit. This will involve guiding members in becoming disciples of Christ and developing a biblically based community of faith devoted to Jesus through prayer, Bible study, and ministry to the world in his name. The Pastor will provide direct care for the congregation through counseling and prayer, as well as coordinate care through staff, Deacons, Stephen Ministers, and other lay leaders.

The Pastor will serve as Head of Staff, including the Directors of Worship, Youth Ministry, Children's Ministry, the Childcare Center, and the "The Mount" (Sunday evening service), mentoring and equipping them to become Spirit-led servant leaders, who accept and carry out responsibility for the congregation's spiritual development and ministries.

The Pastor will serve as Moderator of Session—guiding, motivating, and collaborating with Elders as they develop and oversee the vision/mission of the church and run stewardship campaigns.

The Pastor will designate and maintain office hours with other availability by appointment, and will periodically lead membership classes, perform baptisms, weddings and funerals, and participate in the Presbytery.

Optional Links:

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Utah Travel Guide: publication of the Utah Office of Tourism

<https://www.visitutah.com/media/15893453/utahtravelguide-2017-optimized.pdf>

Mount Olympus Presbyterian Pastor Search web page URL

<http://www.mountolympuschurch.com/pastor-search>

Mount Olympus Presbyterian church website

<http://www.mountolympuschurch.com/home>

Mount Olympus Presbyterian Fellowship web page URL

<http://www.mountolympuschurch.com/about-us/fellowship>

Leadership Competencies:

Preaching and Worship Leadership

Spiritual Maturity

Teacher

Entrepreneurial

Strategy and Vision

Collaboration

Interpersonal Engagement

Bridge Builder

Motivator

Personal Resilience

Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary: \$85,000

Housing Type: Housing Allowance

References:

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Perry and Lay Leng Ng	2 Shining Oak Dr, Littleton CO	801-635-9524	Former members of our church	pnll@comcast.net
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Paul and Maggie Burgess	604 Kirk Rd, Apt #11, Decatur, GA 30030	801-608-6466	former young couple who married here	paburgess92@gmail.com

Has the Pastor Nominating Committee and Search committee affirmed its intention to follow the Form Of Government in this regard?

Yes

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