



ABOUT PARK CHURCH

Park Church is a non-denominational, Christian church based in Monmouth County, NJ. Our vision is to see a growing community of Christ followers, working together to make Jesus known, inviting and inspiring others to follow him.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Park Church's lead pastor works together with Park Church's board of elders to set the vision for the church. The lead pastor directs the church's staff, volunteer leaders and full community to fulfill that vision through Park Church's ministries. The lead pastor will serve as the lead preacher and teacher for the community – preaching thoughtful, engaging and relevant sermons. The following lists describe the responsibilities of the lead pastor in further detail and provide some of the qualifications for application to the position.

Responsibilities:

Work with the board of elders to discern and set the vision for Park Church; communicate Park Church's vision

Lead and oversee Park Church's staff, volunteer leaders and ministries to fulfill Park Church's vision

Actively engage with and lead the Park Church community

Work with the board of elders to allocate Park Church's budget, discern the optimal staff structure/positions and hire staff members

Work with the staff to discern the optimal organizational structure for Park Church's ministries; engage and recruit volunteer leaders for ministries

Preach thoughtful, engaging and relevant sermons 35-40 times per year

Qualifications:

Minimum of 5 years of experience as a lead pastor OR as an associate pastor within a large church community (500+ members)

Master of Divinity degree

Theological formation consistent with Park Church's.

Park Church is a non-denominational Church with a missional foundation. See parkchurchnj.com for more information; additional information will be provided during the interview process.



TO APPLY

Please send a resumé & cover letter along with links to video or audio of 2 recent sermons to: search@parkchurchnj.com

VISION *Park Church's vision is to see a growing community of Christ followers, working together to make Jesus known in Monmouth County, and inviting and inspiring others to follow him.*

CENTRALITY OF CHRIST *Jesus is Lord. He is our redeemer, who has saved us by His grace. He is our only help, and hope. He is the head of our church. Therefore, we value all practices and patterns of behavior that foster genuine connection with him, putting us under his gracious authority, care, and guidance.*

SCRIPTURE *We believe that scripture is God's word, and the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ. In all matters of faith and practice, the scriptures are our guide. Therefore we value activities which help us hear God's address through scripture, and we will direct resources, time and energy to that end.*

PRAYER *God's love for us includes His decision to listen to us when we pray. When we bring our needs to him in prayer, and listen to Him, He offers the guidance and help that we need. He gives us the power to do the good that He calls us to when we ask for it in prayer. We therefore value prayer as a vital and necessary part of our relationship with God.*

WELCOME *We value patterns of life together that welcome all people, as God in Christ has welcomed us. Ministries will be created to connect people who are in various places in faith and life to the mission of God in and through our church.*

SHARED MINISTRY *We value every member as a participant in the ministry and mission of the church, believing that Jesus has given gifts to all, for the upbuilding of the body of Christ in love. Therefore, for the sake of faithful participation in the mission God has given us, we will value commitment to membership and to relationships of mutual upbuilding. And we will value efforts which responsibly form people for effective leadership and witness.*

OUTREACH *Following the pattern of God's redeeming activity in Jesus, we value efforts that seek to reach out to others with the good news of the Gospel. In Christ, God has reached out to the world. Empowered, equipped, and sent by him, we will seek to reach out as his ambassadors, heralds, and witnesses in ministries that are oriented outside of our church.*

MERCY *Reflecting God's self giving and healing love for the world in Christ, we value actions of compassion and mercy for all. We will remain committed to caring for one another in love, and turning outward to the world around, using our resources to serve others in need.*

RENEWAL *Park Church is a community for the world. We value all efforts to join God in the renewal of all things in Christ. As we are made new, we become agents of the Gospel in every vocation, relationship, institution and endeavor for which God has made us and the world around us. In this way we point the world to the hope and promise of what is to come, when all things will be made new in Christ.*