

## **Christ Episcopal Church Part-Time Associate Rector**

*Christ Episcopal Church (“Christ Church”) is a historic parish with a contemporary outlook in the Diocese of Maryland. We were established as Queen Caroline Parish by the Maryland legislature in 1727. The name Christ Church was first used when our historic “Old Brick” building was consecrated in 1811. Old Brick is used for our 8 a.m. worship each Sunday, as well as other events and celebrations throughout the year. Our other church building, “New Brick,” was consecrated in 1993 and provides space for many of our services and gatherings.*

*We are a Christ-centered, diverse, open and affirming church. We have three services on Sundays including a children’s service as well as online morning prayers each weekday and monthly Taize services. We are involved in numerous social justice and outreach ministries in our community, the nation, and internationally. We love and value our children. We celebrate the diverse gifts and personalities of our youth and seek to provide a strong Christian foundation through education, worship, and ministry.*

### **Job Summary**

We are seeking an Associate Rector who is dedicated to teaching God’s word with warmth and conviction. Candidates should thrive on being engaged with our parishioners. The ideal candidate will be able to work productively with a multicultural staff and congregation including clergy and laity.

This part-time Associate Rector position is for 20 hours per week.

### **Key Responsibilities**

- Take primary leadership of youth and family ministry.
  - developing and implementing God-centered educational programs for our teenagers and young adults.
  - Support the 9:00 am children and family service.
  - Integrate families with younger children into parish life and provide them opportunities to participate in worship, formation, and ministry.
  - Connect, build, and foster relationships with and among parents and families.
  - Organize and support family events that foster community cohesion.
  - Collaborate with parents to build a thriving youth program.
  - Other responsibilities assigned by the Rector.
- Share preaching, presiding, and other sacramental duties with the Rector and non-stipendiary clergy.
  - Prepare and deliver sermons that connect with the congregation and inspire spiritual growth.

- Work with the Christ Church pastoral care commission to provide compassionate and empathetic pastoral care to individuals and families in times of joy, sorrow, and crisis.
  - Conduct hospital visits, home visits, and engages in active listening to understand the diverse needs of the congregation.
  - Offer guidance, counseling, and support for personal and spiritual growth.

### **Other Responsibilities**

- Attend staff meetings, Vestry meetings, parish activities, and fellowship events as appropriate and as time allows.
- Assist the Rector with overseeing all our ministries, provide helpful guidance to them, and strategize for ministries that have yet to start.
- Administrative, leadership, teaching and communication tasks as needed.

### **Specific Knowledge and Skills**

- Is an ordained Episcopal priest or a transitional deacon.
- Able to communicate Anglican theology effectively and nurture our relationship with God.
- Has strong interpersonal, verbal, and written communication skills.
- Must be approachable.
- Possess strong organizational and planning skills.
- Has a firm sense of self and maintains a solid support system outside the parish.

### **Physical Requirements**

While not typically strenuous, the duties of this job generally require a level of physical endurance, mobility, and flexibility. Preaching, leading prayer, and pastoral conversations may require strong vocal stamina. The employee will be required to lead or participate in on and off-site meetings and events in varying settings.

### **To Apply**

Please send the following to the Chair of the Search Committee ([wardens@christchurchcolumbia.org](mailto:wardens@christchurchcolumbia.org)):

- Letter of interest
- OTM
- Resume
- Links to two sermons (video)

The application close date is May 15.