

Christ Church Chicago
Ministry Description
Pastor – Community Life

Ministry Role—Associate Pastor, Christ Church Chicago

Position Title- Pastor of Community Life

Position Summary—The Pastor of Community Life is responsible to train and equip Christ Church for active gospel engagement. As a member of the Session (our ruling body), he will be mutually responsible for the gospel shape and spiritual oversight of Christ Church.

Reporting Relationship — Sr. Pastor

Salary—Compensation will be determined by the Session, and will be commensurate with our other two full time pastors. On top of an annual salary and housing allowance, health insurance and other benefits will be added.

Start Date – Budgeted for a January 1, 2022 start date

Responsibilities

- **Community Groups:** The Pastor of Community Life will train and equip us for gospel engagement by overseeing all aspects related to strengthening our geographically rooted Community Groups across the southside, and city as a whole. He will Invest in our community group leaders by equipping them with sustained training in Bible and Bible study skills. He will create an intentional model of life together that we are all joyfully deployed for gospel impact in our neighborhoods. He will ensure that all adult members and regular attendees are afforded an opportunity to be meaningfully shepherded in a community group. He will recruit, train and support enough community group leaders and apprentices to meet the needs of our growing church family.
- **Local Neighborhood Partnerships:** The pastor of Community Life will train and equip us for active gospel engagement by managing all aspects related to our Local Neighborhood Partnerships. In this role, he will function as an outward facing advocate to our partner ministries as well as acting as our inward facing organizer to onboard volunteers for gospel engagement. He will add his voice to that of our Sr. Pastor, and the Session, in our efforts to address both the gospel opportunities and challenges the church faces on matters of race and justice.
- **Educational Ministries:** The pastor of Community Life will train and equip us for active gospel engagement by guiding our in house Educational Ministries. In this role he will oversee all staff and volunteers working with adult education, youth and children’s ministry
- **Pastoral Team:** The pastor of Community Life will train and equip us for gospel engagement by co-laboring on our Pastoral Team. He will be appropriately placed in our preaching rotation, display a readiness to help us shape a future together, and exhibit a willingness to dive in with us on the whole.

Qualifications

- **Spiritual qualifications**—Must be a godly, growing disciple who demonstrates spiritual maturity and a strong commitment to Christ (as seen in passages like 1 Timothy 3:8-13; Titus 1:5-9; Acts 6:1-6; Mark 10:42-45); a lover and worshipper of God and a lover of people (Mark 12:29-31). Must be committed to prayer and have demonstrated the capacity to fulfill his ministry through teaching and preaching God’s Word (Acts 6:1-6). Must meet the bar of being an Elder at Christ Church.
- **Credentials and Experience**—An M. Div. degree or its equivalent is preferred; 5-10 years of ministerial experience in a church is expected. Exceptions to these requirements are allowed in some cases if properly approved. He must be capable of shepherding the congregation as a Bible teacher and preacher.
- **Other**—Must be doctrinally compatible with the Confession of Faith at Christ Church Chicago. Must share our commitment to being a multi-cultural church, with an understanding of what it takes to live out the gospel call to spiritual, social and racial reconciliation. Must be able to sensitively and caringly work with believers within the Christ Church family and demonstrate the ability to work with people of varying age, race/ethnicity and socioeconomic background.