

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

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Ministry General Information

Ministry Number	22357
Ministry Name	Lake Murray Presbyterian Church
Mailing Address	2721 Dutch Fork Road Chapin, SC 29036
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E-Mail	Impchurch@gmail.com
WWW Address	www.Impchurch.org
Ministry Size	1001 - 1500 members

Ethnic Composition	
	American Indian or Alaskan Native 1%
	Asian 1%
	Black or African American (African Native, Caribbean) 1%
	White 97%

Average Worship Attendance	290
Church School Attendance	50
Curriculum	Various
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Presbytery	TRINITY PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF SOUTH ATLANTIC
Community Type	Rural

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

Information about the position

Position:	Associate Pastor (Other)
Experience Required:	No Experience
Specific Title:	Associate Pastor for Spiritual Formation
Employment Status:	Full-time

Language Requirements:	
	English

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

Training/Certificate Requirements:	
	Certified Christian Educator

Other Training:	
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Brief Church Mission Statement:

The mission of Lake Murray Presbyterian Church is to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed in taking up the challenge of communicating the good news of Jesus Christ to all; by ministering to the needs of the congregation ... ; by reaching out to others in our community ..; by better serving our community, state, country, and world... ; by being stewards of the wealth of talents, gifts, and resources God has given us... ; and by striving for good teamwork of congregation, officers, and staff in ministry to others.

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

Believing that the Bible is the authoritative Word of God and that understanding it is essential to our being good Christians, we strive for education in learning God's plan for us as individuals and as a congregation. Education, evangelism, and missions are keys in our ministry. We depend on corporate worship and individual study to nourish our education; we believe that we must listen to the Holy Spirit for guidance. Believing the admonition "you shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31), we seek to evangelize, focusing our attention on problems facing our society. We are committed members of PCUSA and Trinity Presbytery. We have affiliated with the Fellowship Community of Presbyterians. In addition to regular classes, we offer special workshops (Spiritual Enrichment, Learning on Lent), guest speakers, and lecture series, which address topics like families in crisis, marriage enrichment, parenting, caring for elderly parents, finances and estate planning, grief, etc. We carry scripture beyond our doors by strong youth and adult programs which actively support and participate in local ministries that directly impact the needy in our community, region and internationally. We have a strong fellowship within the congregation and take advantage of opportunities to gather in His name. Post COVID, we have evolved with technology including live stream services as well as outdoor services on site and at our lake front property with the aid of an FM transmitter.

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

LMPC's congregation is comprised of people of faith from varied backgrounds, different ages, a broad range of faith and life experiences, talents, and professions. In a community located 26 miles from the state capital on the banks of beautiful Lake Murray, our congregation has grown from our experiences in dealing with controversial issues trying to always recognize that in God's house, there is always room at the table for opinions that may differ from our own which are guided by the Holy Spirit. Our congregation utilizes the conference center at Montreat as a means of refreshing and further developing our faith and commitment. The LMPC congregation regularly participates in our local community, leading and assisting in missions impacting those in our own backyard. We also participate in state, national, and international missions. LMPC has a 15,000 sq ft, 3.3-million-dollar Children's Ministry building which houses a Day School, nursery, and all our other children's church activities. Over the past year, we've actively taken steps to lay the groundwork for an after-school program. This truly addresses the emerging needs of our community and our growing young adult constituency.

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

As a large, growing church, this position is needed to assist and support our senior pastor, our session, and our other staff in continuing and expanding our vision and mission goals. We have a growing congregational membership which presents a vast opportunity for educational ministry. With a successful children's ministry, youth program and adult Sunday school in place, this position will be equipped to lead and create endless opportunities to share Christian Education with our members of all ages.

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

The successful candidate should possess a sense of urgency for God's work. The candidate should demonstrate both experience and wisdom in interacting with the church family and community. Other characteristics should include sincerity, compassion, and genuine respect for others. This person should possess personal organizational skills, management skills both supervision and organization, and have a passion for Christian Education.

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

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The Associate Pastor for Spiritual Formation will be responsible for developing, supervising, and supporting a strong spiritual formation program of Christian faith and discipleship for members of LMPC of all ages • children, youth, and adults. This involves leading, organizing, and working collaboratively with multiple people to establish a cohesive education program encompassing Sunday Schools at all age levels, weekly Bible studies, youth programs, an after-school program, and age-appropriate special programs and retreats. The APSF will supervise the Children's Ministry Director, the Day School Director, the Youth Director, and the After-School Program Director (if/when that program comes into being next year). They will work with and through the Christian Education Committee and the Senior Pastor.

Optional Links:

www.lmpchurch.org

Leadership Competencies:

Compassionate

Teacher

Communicator

Technologically Savvy

Task Manager

Organizational Agility

Collaboration

Motivator

Initiative

Flexibility

Compensation and Housing: Cost of Living Calculator

Minimum Effective Salary: \$41,000

Housing Type: Housing Allowance

References:

Name	Address	Phone Numbers	Relation	Email
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Rev. Dr. Danny Murphy	554 Davega Drive Lexington, SC 29073	803-794-1225	General Presbyter of Trinity Presbytery	dmurphy@trinity-presbytery.org

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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