

Desert View United Church of Christ in El Paso is seeking a part time minister!

Desert View has a long history of leadership shared among the laity and the pastor, with several ministries being led almost exclusively by the laity. The pastoral leadership style called for here is one of guidance, consensus building, and encouragement to make our diverse efforts work together in synergy.

The church is poised for renewed growth and has vast potential. The building is paid for; the church has financial resources from the sale of a parcel of land; the city and community have weathered the recent economic downturn better than most; a significant influx of new city residents is in progress because of a large expansion of nearby military bases.

The laity has a clear picture of the direction we want to go and types of missions we want to pursue, related to our new mission statement: evolving spiritually, valuing diversity, seeking justice. The mission interests of the congregation center mostly around social justice issues, open and affirming issues, and multicultural issues. There is a hunger for further education with a pronounced interest in progressive Christian thought, historical/biblical research, etc.

The pastor will work closely with the church council and other teams as needed and will be an ex-officio voting member of all organizational groups, except the Pastoral Search Committee and the Pastor-Congregation Relations Committee, on which the Pastor will be a non-voting member. Realizing that this call is for a part-time position, we view the primary responsibilities of the pastor to be: 1. To provide opportunities for worship and education. 2. To serve as chaplain/counselor to members of the church. 3. To serve as a liaison between the local and wider church and between the church and the greater El Paso community.

If you or someone you know is interested in more information on the church profile please contact
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