Trinity Church of Mulberry Pastoral Job Description

Trinity Church of Mulberry (Mulberry, IN) is currently searching for a lead pastor. We are a small-town independent church in central Indiana.

A pastor is responsible for being a spiritual leader of the Christian faith. The duties of this position include preaching sermons to their congregation, assisting in planning charitable activities and church events, and meeting with members of their congregation to help them strengthen their faith and the church.

Personal Qualifications:

- Relatable to parishioners and other community members; easily approachable
- Possesses integrity and is a Christian role model to the congregation and community
- Open-minded and receptive to feedback; able to handle criticism with poise

Professional Qualifications:

- Has completed coursework in Christian ministry and/or Bible theology
- Desire to grow the church and work with church leadership to do so
- An effective preacher who can relate to the people of the church and challenge their spiritual growth
- Committed to work effectively and professionally with the church leadership
- Values a positive working relationship with other community churches

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Deliver meaningful and Biblical sermons each week
- Lead communion once per month
- Serve on the Spiritual Council (works to provide efficient and meaningful Sunday services)
- Attend church Council meetings
- Provide spiritual care/counseling for those seeking baptism, church membership, profession of faith, marriage
- Provide spiritual care to sick, homebound, and those needing encouragement
- Work with other local church pastors/leaders on community outreach and other programs
 - o Community Good Friday service
 - o Community Christmas Eve service
 - o Community VBS
 - o Community Church in the park each summer
 - o Conduct services at local nursing home
- Provide an annual Pastor's Report for the congregation

Contractual items:

- Negotiable items:
 - o Salary
 - o Parsonage and utilities
 - o 15 vacation days, including up to 3 Sundays
 - o Up to 6 paid holidays
 - o Health Insurance
 - o Continuing education/professional development stipend
 - o Milage
 - o Moving allowance

To Apply:

Please submit a cover letter detailing your qualifications and interest in the position, a current resume, a statement of faith, and references to one of the following:

-trinitychurchofmulberry@gmail.com

-Trinity Church of Mulberry PO Box 358 Mulberry, IN 46058

Contact Information:

Questions can be directed to: Lauri Wainscott, Council President (269) 492-4636 (cell) lwainscott7@yahoo.com

2025 Trinity Church of Mulberry Profile

Trinity Church of Mulberry 103 South Main Street P O Box 358 Mulberry, IN 46058

Website: https://sites.google.com/view/trinitychurchofmulberry/home

Organizational Life:

- Church Council including: Elders, Deacon/Deaconess, Trustees
- Spiritual Council
- Cemetery Trustees
- Women's Guild

Salary, Benefits & Expenses Offered:

- Cash Salary (negotiable)
- Housing
- Parsonage/Utilities/Insurance
- Travel/Mileage
- Conferences/Professional Development

Church Owned Property:

- <u>Church building:</u> This brick structure was built in 1896 and features a beautiful sanctuary that can seat up to 250 people. On the main floor, there is the Pastor's and common office, assembly room, and two restrooms. The basement includes five classrooms, a dining room, a kitchen with a commercial dishwasher, two storage areas, and restrooms. The building has six gas furnaces and air conditioning. A handicapped entrance is available on the street level leading to an elevator which travels to the main and basement levels. The church has been well-maintained and is structurally sound.
- <u>Parsonage</u>: The parsonage is a two-story older frame house with an open porch on the north and east sides, as well as an enclosed back porch. It has a full bathroom upstairs and a full bathroom downstairs and is equipped with natural gas-forced air heat that is conditioned. Additionally, there is a two-car detached garage on the property. The address of the parsonage is 213 E. Jackson Street in Mulberry, and it is located right next door to the church.

Mulberry Community Attributes:

- The population of Mulberry is 1,250
- Home of Mulberry Health, this campus includes a nursing home for long-term care and memory care, along with independent living cottages, guads, and villas.

- Mulberry has a local branch bank, funeral home, gas station, 2 restaurants, and a bakery, as well as several other businesses.
- Centennial Park features a playground, pavilion area, basketball courts, baseball field, and modern restroom facilities.
 - (All are within walking distance.)
- Friendly quiet attractive country atmosphere 15 miles from Purdue University in West Lafayette.
- Clinton Prairie School Corporation is an academically oriented public school system that includes Pre-K through 12th grade.
- Mulberry is 10 miles from Lafayette which has excellent medical and dental facilities.
- Greater Lafayette is a diverse community with a robust economy, strong industry, higher education institutions, and low unemployment situated between Chicago and Indianapolis.

Trinity is a small, friendly, multi-generational congregation committed to the church and its mission. The congregation is active in the community.

Trinity Community Activities & Involvement:

- Co-sponsors Community Vacation Bible School
- Co-sponsors Community Women's Retreat
- Women's Guild serves an annual fish fry, Community Club & Mulberry Telephone Company meals
- Hosts Community Hand Chime Choir
- Supports the local Stone Soup Food Pantry
- Supports Abba's Place (local after-school program)
- Sponsors the Community Trunk or Treat
- Participates in Community Good Friday Service
- Participates in Community Church in the Park
- Participates in Community Thanksgiving Service
- Hosts Community Blood Drives

What We Do Within the Church:

- Traditional Church Service
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- Christian Education
- Memorial Sunday
- Camp Cullom Day / Family Day
- Monthly Social Time after Church Service
- Children's Mission Offering (weekly)
- Participate with Samaritans Purse Shoebox Outreach

Trinity Church Of Mulberry Statement of Faith

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit. Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify:

He calls the worlds into being, creates man in his own image and sets before him the ways of life and death.

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, he has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself.

He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

He calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be his servants in the service of men, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory.

He promises to all who trust him forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, his presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen