

Church Information Form Query

CIF #: 12256.AA1

Church/Organization General Information

Church/Organization Number	12256
Church/Organization Name	United Presbyterian Church of Middletown
Mailing Address	50 E. Main St. Middletown, NY 10940
Phone	845-343-2131
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E-Mail	united.pres@yahoo.com
WWW Address	www.unitedpres.org
Church/Organization Size	251 - 400 members
Ethnic Composition	African American 1% Caucasian 94% Hispanic Puerto Rican 1% Other 3% Hispanic Mexican / Central American 1%
Average Worship Attendance	70
Church School Attendance	20
Curriculum	SEASON OF THE SPIRIT (K-6) We Believe (7-9)
Certified as eligible for participation in the Seminary Debt Assistance Program	False
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Presbytery	HUDSON RIVER PRESBYTERY
Synod	SYNOD OF THE NORTHEAST
Community Type	Small City
Ten-year trend statistics of this church/organization * (Show Statistics)	

* Data availability is not guaranteed

Information about the position

Position: Pastor (Solo)
Specific Title:
Employment Status: Full-time
Language Requirements: English

Brief Church Mission Statement:

As an expression of the new congregation’s vision of mission the church has adopted the following statement: “This is a community of faith devoted to worshiping God, serving others and sharing fellowship as Jesus taught us.” As a growing congregation we reach out with our vision and mission to our community.

Brief description of the church/organization's programs or accomplishments:

We are a new church formed in 2008 by the merger of two historic downtown Presbyterian Churches in the City of Middletown. We host a Community Warming Station for the street homeless during the colder months. We are beginning volunteer English as a Second Language (ESL) program to connect with our neighbors, many of whom speak Spanish. We are in the process of selling one of our two church properties, which are located less than 600 feet apart.

Adult Choir/Youth Choir, Bell Choir, Bible Study, Book Club, Church School (3yrs-14yrs old), Coffee Hour, Deacons, Lenten Suppers, Mindfulness/Meditation, Rummage Sale, Season Warming Station, Tai Chi. Organizations we support: Orange County Peace & Justice Coalition, Youth Arts Group of Rural & Migrant Ministry, 3 AA & NA groups, 2 Boy Scout Troops, Community Bell Choir, 2 Cub Scout Troops, Girl Scout Troop, Habitat For Humanity, Hudson Opera Theater, Crop Walk and Community Dinners.

Gifts, Skills and Experiences the congregation possesses to fulfill its mission:

Our church is rich in life experience primarily due to our older slant in age. The members include business people, civil servants, teachers, law enforcement personnel, trades people, factory warehouse workers, nurses and an architect who bring skills both general and specific to assist our church in its mission. The parents bring family related skills. As for gifts some members are bi-lingual while others play musical instruments and act and/or sing. Our students, though small in number, bring enthusiasm, hope and high tech expertise.

Key theological issues of the church and society that are reflected in the ministry of the congregation/organization:

Our key theological issues are mission and service. Ours is a theologically progressive congregation. Helping our community with the best of our resources: space, money and volunteers when possible. Members are asked to serve the church through stewardship and giving in any way they can to support the life of the church. The Deacons give money for ministries to groups and individuals regardless of religious association, with community base being it’s only requirement. The first installed minister at United Presbyterian Church of Middletown must maintain, as part of our ministry, an open door and open mind policy. The new minister would also need to be a leader in helping us grow as a congregation.

References:

Name	Address	Phone Numbers	Relation	Email
David	82 Kirbytown Rd Middletown,	845-342-	Elder at United	dstewart11@hvc.rr.com

Stewart	NY 10940	3065	Presbyterian Church	
Rev, Jeff Farley	c/o Otisville/Mt Hope Presbyterian Church PO BOX 628 Otusville, NY 10963	845-386-3851	Neighboring Pastor	jeff@otisvillepres.org
Rev, Susan Andrews	655 Scarborough Rd Scarborough, NY 10510	914-941-2100	Presbyterian Staff Person	susan@hudrivpres.org

Position Description

A. Major Responsibilities:

Lead us in dynamic worship, using a variety of styles and 21st century technology
 Openly engage our congregation and community in dialogue and partnership to develop new relationships and ministries

Reach out beyond the walls of our church and reach others in our community

Communicate with persons, who live and work in our community

Help members through tough times via counseling

To be able to speak Spanish with our neighbors or willing to learn

We will want our Pastor to attend National Multicultural Church Conferences and participate in training events offered at Stony Point Conference Center and by the Presbytery of the Hudson River. The Pastor will need to work with other churches in order to increase diversity, work with the youth in our church and share our experiences in urban outreach with other urban congregations.

B. Characteristics and qualifications needed

Preaching, Pastoral Care, Congregation Redevelopment/Revitalization, Congregational Home Visitation, Family Ministries, Problem Solving/Decision Making, Administrative Leadership, Communication, Corporate Worship/Sacraments and Public Relations.

Primary Skill Choices:

Administrative Leadership
 Communication (Written / Oral)
 Congregational Home Visitation
 Congregational Redevelopment / Revitalization
 Corporate Worship / Sacraments

Family Ministry
Pastoral Care
Preaching
Problem Solving / Decision Making

Compensation and Housing: ([Cost of Living Calculator](#))

Minimum Effective Salary:\$52,294
Housing Type:Housing Allowance: \$0

Geographic Choices: Unlimited

Has the presbytery's Committee on Ministry thus counseled with the Pastor Nominating Committee regarding Equal Employment Opportunity?

Yes

Has the Pastor Nominating Committee affirmed to the Presbytery Committee on Ministry its intention to follow the Form Of Government in this regard?

Yes

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