

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH PASTORAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM - 2025





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And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. Mark 1:17-18

A Unique, Two-Year First Call Opportunity

As a Pastoral Resident at Glenview Community Church in Glenview, Illinois, you will:

- Be a full-time pastor, participating in all aspects of the life of Glenview Community Church which provides you the experience of working within the staff of a large congregation.
- Gain experience in core areas of pastoral work: Worship, Faith Formation, Pastoral Care, Transformational Leadership, Social Justice, and Professional Development.
- Learn the basics of church management: worship planning and leadership, staff management, church finances and stewardship, all with the support and mentorship of the Senior Minister of Glenview Community Church.
- Respond to the Spirit's movement. Personal spiritual development is supported by the program. So is participation in a Clergy Peer Group.

This position is an ordainable call in the United Church of Christ, with a salary and housing allowance of \$50,000 a year plus benefits.

The Kind of Person We Are Looking for...

We are looking for a candidate who has discerned a call to parish ministry, has a passion for God's justice, a heart for Jesus' way of compassion, and an openness to the Holy Spirit. Excellent candidates have or will have graduated with an M.Div. degree within the last two years, be Members in Discernment in the United Church of Christ (UCC), be on track to be ordained during the first year of the residency, and be able to commit to serve from August 2025-June 2027.

Candidates from other denominations in full communion (or similar relationship) with the UCC may also be considered provided they hold equivalent status and, if accepted, will be ordained as a pastor for this position.

Who We Are...

Glenview Community Church is an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ, located in the Village of Glenview, Illinois, a northside suburb of Chicago. Since 1897, Christians have gathered here to worship the Triune God, proclaim the transforming grace of Jesus Christ to all people, and work for the triumph of justice and the reign of peace by the power of the Holy Spirit.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

Glenview Community Church is a Christian community of acceptance and welcome for all God's people. Because we strive to make our campus (buildings and grounds) a place of sanctuary and safety for each person who comes here, our campus is:

Inspired by Christ, Enriched by Faith, Committed to Inclusivity. We serve God as advocates for Justice, Compassion, and Peace.







Program History

Glenview Community Church decided to initiate its Pastoral Residency Program in Fall 2023. Our inaugural Resident brought gifts of fresh leadership and a new voice to our congregation. We look forward to seeing how God will shape us through our next Resident's presence. We are honored by the task of helping form future leaders for Christ's church.

Interviews will begin in early March 2025.

Pastoral Residency Program Application Instructions

To be considered as a candidate please send the following documents by email attachment only (with the exception that written references may be sent by mail). Email address: residency@gccucc.org All documents must be received no later than 5:00 PM Central Time on

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- Completed application form (see below)
- A current resume
- Two letters of reference. Please have two people write a letter about your gifts for pastoral ministry and your potential as a Pastoral Resident. Letters should be sent directly to the church by email attachment (preferred) or by mail.
- Two phone references. Please list two different people we can contact who can also reflect on your gifts for pastoral ministry and your potential as a Pastoral Resident.
- Three Essay questions (500-750 words each):
 - 1. Describe your call to pastoral ministry and how you see the Pastoral Residency Program supporting that.
 - 2. Share a recent moment in ministry that was particularly successful or fulfilling.
 - 3. Reflect on one of the Marks of Faithful and Effective Ministry* that is particularly present in your ministry, and another that you hope the Pastoral Residency Program will help you develop further.

*The Marks of Faithful and Effective Ministry are widely used across the United Church of Christ for pastoral preparation, formation, and discernment. They can be found at:

http://uccfiles.com/pdf/THE-MARKS-OF-FAITHFUL-AND-EFFECTIVE-MINISTERS.pdf

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If you have specific questions, contact our Church Administrator, Riley Smith, at *residency@gccucc.org* or call (847) 724-2210.

Pastoral Residency Program Application Form

Candidate Name
Member in Discernment Information (or denominational equivalent)
Name of Association/Conference
Contact Person Name & Position
Email address
Phone number
If you have ever been in a previous discernment process in any other UCC association/conference or in another denomination, please tell us where and what led to your transfer on a separate attachment.
Written References Please list two people who will be sending us a letter of recommendation by email (preferred) or mail. 1. Name & Relationship:
2. Name & Relationship:
Telephone References <i>Please list two additional people we can contact to learn about you and your ministry.</i>
1. Name & Relationship:
Email address:
Phone number:
2. Name & Relationship:
Email address:
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