

EXPECTATIONS AND SKILLS OF OUR PASTOR

St. Paul Lutheran Church is a church with a solid history and a bright future. We are committed to a multi-generational ministry and to serving people in our community and beyond in the name of Jesus Christ. We believe that one of our primary callings as a congregation is to provide hospitality and to feed people – both physically and spiritually, members and nonmembers alike.

This congregation will welcome a pastor who loves the Lord, loves people, has an engaging communication style, and who will enthusiastically embrace this pivotal phase and opportunity for pastoral leadership in the life of our congregation.

Specifically, we are looking for someone who:

1. Is a Leader

- Has a proven track record of shepherding vibrant program ministries, especially with children, youth and adult discipleship.
- Recognizes and prioritizes as one of the most significant callings of the pastoral role to be the one who "equips the saints" to do God's work and build the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:12) and who thereby empowers members in their discovery, development and deployment of their gifts for ministry in life and specifically through the ministry of the congregation.
- Is adept and intentional in working with lay leaders.

2. Is a Strong Preacher

- Has the ability to inspire and connect people to God's Word.
- Is skilled at providing practical application of the biblical Word to daily life.
- Respects and values the continuum of Christian theological perspectives represented among members of St. Paul.
- Through preaching, exhibits a strong, vital personal faith relationship with Jesus Christ.

3. Embodies a High Level of Energy

- Brings enthusiasm and vitality to worship leadership.
- Interacts with people in a manner that is positive, genuine, and builds community.