

Medford Congregational United Church of Christ

Position: Part-time pastor, 16 hours per week (with room for growth if membership/need increases)

Church size: 90.

Attendance at worship is typically 25 during the winter and 20 during the summer.

Compensation: Total compensation package, including benefits, potential housing (see below), equals \$30,000/year.

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To apply, send ministerial profile or résumé with references to:

Medford Search, c/o Marita Karlisch at maritak@uccmn.org or call 612-871-0359.

We are a welcoming, small congregation located off of Interstate 35 in Medford, MN. Medford's population is 1,236 (2014 Census). Located between the larger towns of Faribault and Owatonna, Medford is close to a wide range of professional and service level jobs. South central Minnesota is rich in wildlife, parks, lakes, and a wide variety of entertainment. Medford is only 45 minutes away from the Twin Cities Metro Area. Medford has a highly rated K-12 school which has attracted several young families to the community. A community pool, large park, and wonderful small-town atmosphere make getting to know your neighbors easy and provides for rest and relaxation.

We seek a caring, energetic, down-to-earth pastor to serve our congregation 16 hours per week, to offer spiritual guidance and to nurture our church's growth and vitality. Our pastor's responsibilities include leading worship, special services such as weddings, funerals and baptisms, visiting homebound and hospitalized members, participating in community outreach, providing counseling as needed, and participating in scheduled council meetings. This position has the potential to add more hours/salary if the sustained membership grows and will offer flexibility.

We would prefer an ordained minister, but would consider a lay pastor. A UCC background is preferred, but we would consider other mainline Christian backgrounds.

Medford Congregational United Church of Christ is a debt-free organization that owns an on-site parsonage which is currently rented out. This housing option may be available to potential candidates wishing to relocate to our area and make a commitment to serving our church for an extended period of time. This option would be negotiated with the candidate at the time of job offer, however, if the housing option is requested, it would lessen the total salary offered for this position.

Interested candidates seeking further information are encouraged to call Travis Ernste, Trustee, at 507-271-4736.