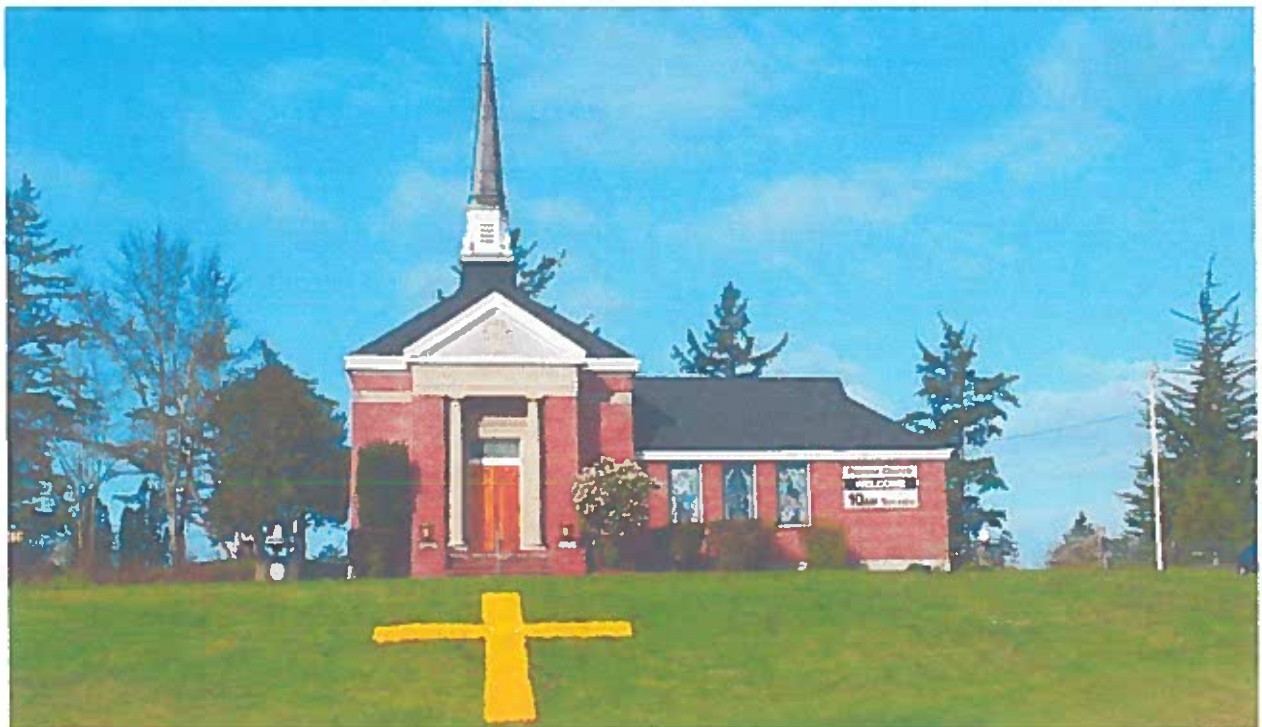


## Mission Statement Pioneer Presbyterian Church

Respecting the tradition of the Pioneers of our Faith, we worship the Word of God and honor the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Our duty then is to help those in need, pray for those hurting, and rejoice in the love and blessings of God.



## Pioneer Presbyterian Church

### Temporary Pastor Position Description

**Position:** Temporary Supply Pastor

**Duration of Position:** Three months, or longer, if pastor and session agree.

If for any reason, the pastor or the Session wish to terminate this agreement, they may do so with 30 days' notice. Compensation continues until the 30 days expire.

**Purpose:** To fill the role of pastor with genuine religious commitment and contagious care and effort toward building our sense of Christian community.

To lead the Session and congregation through the process of identifying needs, mission and vision for the role of our church in the larger community.

**Accountability:** To the Pioneer Church Session and Cascades Presbytery.

**Skills Required:**

1. An ability to relate to other people honestly and warmly with an enthusiastic commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ.
2. Dedication to and skills in preaching and leading worship.
3. Experience in assisting congregations in identifying and articulating mission and goals.
4. Good organizational skills.
5. Interest and experience leading Sunday worship services on a weekly basis.

**Responsibilities:**

1. Lead Sunday worship services, including serving the sacraments of the Presbyterian Church (USA), and provide opportunities for Christian education.
2. Conduct weddings, funerals, ordinations, installations, and dedications.
3. Moderate Session meetings and assist the ruling elders and congregation in the process of identifying congregational identity and mission.
4. Advise and encourage the Deacons and various church committees.
5. Serve as head of church staff.
6. Be available to members of the congregation with consistent office hours.
7. Affirm and facilitate the local congregation's affiliation with Presbytery.
8. Develop communications and relationships with other Christian communities active on the North Coast.

## Pioneer Presbyterian Church Pastor search

Pioneer Presbyterian Church is located in Clatsop County, in the northwest corner of Oregon, bounded by the Columbia River to the north and the Pacific Ocean to the west. It is located about 75 miles northwest of Portland, which is home to Portland International Airport.

Pioneer Presbyterian Church was established in 1846 and is the oldest continuous Presbyterian church west of the Rockies. It is famous for its 40 foot cross, made entirely of daffodils, laid out on the hillside in the front of the church. Over 50,000 daffodils blossoms are picked and placed by church and community members each Easter.

The congregation currently consists of 30 members and fluctuates with the seasons. The church has a website and live streams its Sunday service on Youtube. This is starting to attract a small international following.

The church itself sits on 6 acres on the Clatsop Plains south of Warrenton, Oregon, on a gently rolling hillside adjacent to the Lewis and Clark trail and including the historic Pioneer Cemetery. The modest brick building is an inviting sight in an inspirational setting.

With a capacity of 70 people and facilities for social gatherings, it has a secure and relaxed atmosphere.

Located on highway 101, midway between Astoria, Oregon's oldest city, and Seaside, one of Oregon's most popular beach towns, the Pioneer Presbyterian church perfectly situated to experience both the beauty of nature and the closeness of a wonderful community.

Ocean Beaches, dense rainforest, mountains, lakes, streams and one of the largest rivers in America, provide endless opportunities for almost any outdoor activity. Razor clamming here is some of the best in the world. Plant and animal species abound. Whales and seals migrate along the coast. Herds of elk and deer inhabit the entire county. Bird varieties are numerous, including Bald Eagles and Osprey.

## Area Services, facilities and attractions

### Clatsop County Oregon

Population 37,300

#### Medical:

Columbia Memorial Hospital - [columbiamemorial.org](http://columbiamemorial.org)

Providence Seaside Hospital - [oregon.providence.org](http://oregon.providence.org)

US coast Guard - [pacific.area.uscg.mil](http://pacific.area.uscg.mil)

#### Education

Astoria High School - [ahs.astoria.k12.or.us](http://ahs.astoria.k12.or.us)

Seaside High School - [she.seaside.k12.or.us](http://she.seaside.k12.or.us)

Clatsop Community College - [clatsopcc.edu](http://clatsopcc.edu)

Warrenton High School - [high.warrentonschools.com](http://high.warrentonschools.com)

#### Attractions

Clatsop County is home to 7 museums, 4 historical societies and more than 40 galleries.

Fort Stevens State Park - [stateparks.oregon.gov](http://stateparks.oregon.gov)

Columbia River Maritime Museum - [crrmm.org](http://crrmm.org)

Astoria Column - [astoriacolumn.org](http://astoriacolumn.org)

Haystack Rock - [cannonbeach.org](http://cannonbeach.org)

#### Cultural

7 museums

4 historical societies

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## TEMPORARY Pastor Covenant

The following covenant is for the purpose of defining terms of the Supply Pastor position.

The covenant is for 3 months or longer beginning and ending.

The temporary Pastor approved by the Presbytery of the Cascades.

The temporary Pastor will serve as moderator of Session.

The temporary Pastor will serve as head of staff.

The goals for this relationship, approved by the Session and the Cascades Presbytery Committee on Ministry are as follows:

1. To deepen the spiritual life and increase the number of our worshipping family.
2. To encourage mature commitment to Jesus Christ and generous giving of time, treasure, and talent to the church's ministry in our greater community.
3. To increase the effective awareness, leadership, and service of those who are active ruling elders and current deacons.

**Annual Review:** The Session and the Presbytery will conduct a review with the pastor each year before considering renewal of the covenant. Goals and terms may be revised at that time. Renewal of the covenant requires approval by the Commission on Ministry.

This agreement is for not more than 12 months. This agreement may be ended by the Session upon 30 days written notice. The temporary Pastor may end the agreement with 30 days written notice and a forfeiture of any payment beyond the 30 day period.

Service is for a 20 hour per week, unless otherwise agreed by the Session.

Salary, housing, utilities, etc.                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month

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