

Full Time Assistant Rector Three-Year Fellowship

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Brunswick, Maine, seeks a full time assistant rector for children and youth for a three-year fellowship.

St. Paul's is a vital and energized Christian community that worships, serves, prays, and learns together as the body of Christ for Christ's sake in the world. For over 175 years, St. Paul's ministry has been outward reaching, often serving as a germinator for projects such as our local soup kitchen and the town's newly built day shelter for homeless people. Our inspiring, and creative worship equips parishioners to play an active part in the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. St. Paul's is excited to be living into a radical welcome for all and looks to reimagine our engagement with children and youth so that we serve our youngest members as well as we do our mature parishioners.

St. Paul's is seeking an energetic and innovative organizer who will:

- Develop meaningful relationships with our children, youth, their parents, and their extended families, leading them into a deeper relationship with God and one another, and into service in the world.
- Build programs to integrate children and youth into the ministries of St. Paul's, educating and empowering them for discipleship.
- Recruit and train adult leaders to form our children and youth in our faith tradition, grounded in the Baptismal Covenant.
- Maintain updated volunteer records and training offerings, including Safe Church.
- Facilitate programs and offerings for parents to help them develop their faith lives as individuals, not just as parents.
- Have expertise with digital tools and use existing and emerging technologies to connect with youth, their families, the wider parish, the Episcopal Church, and the greater Brunswick community.
- Organize occasional intergenerational Sunday and weekday evening activities to celebrate special Feast Days.
- Collaborate with the rector in selecting innovative liturgy and music that will be accessible to worshipers at the 9:30 a.m. Family Eucharist and beyond, and share in occasional preaching, teaching and pastoral care.
- Be an active member of Forma, The Network for Christian Formation.
- Requirements: Ordained Episcopal priest recently graduated or expects to graduate in 2018. Skilled in recruiting leaders, training and supporting them. Strong collaborative skills.

This position is a three-year fellowship, funded in part by a Diocese of Maine grant that runs through August 2021. St. Paul's seeks candidates who are prepared to make a commitment for this time-frame. St. Paul's recognizes the dignity of every human being

and encourages applicants of color, LGBTQ individuals, women, and others whose voices have not traditionally been centered in the Church.

About our community:

Brunswick, Maine, is a New England college town. It's a bicycle-friendly community with walking trails along the Androscoggin River and through a variety of woodlands and town commons. It supports a delicious variety of ethnic restaurants and coffee shops, in addition to offering significant social services for the materially poor. Brunswick is home to one of the top national liberal arts colleges, Bowdoin College, which offers courses to audit, concerts, plays, and museums. Brunswick is a half hour's drive from the city of Portland, and offers easy access to Boston via train and bus.

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