

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

***Sacred Ground* Coordinator Job Description**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Brunswick, Maine, seeks a half-time coordinator for a two-year, anti-racism program. The program will engage with local churches and organizations to create educational community circles. Using the *Sacred Ground* curriculum of the Episcopal Church, we will host as many circles as possible over the next two years. Each circle will consist of about eight participants and meet at least monthly. Over ten sessions, the circles will discuss readings and films that explore the history of racism in our country. The program is designed to gently introduce many facets of racism and provide opportunities for faith-based transformative conversations. This will further the ongoing work of St. Paul's in anti-racism and in community-building over the greater Brunswick area.

What is Sacred Ground? (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/>)

Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue on race, grounded in Christian faith. Small groups, woven together through threads of family story, economic class, and personal identity, walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism. The 10-part series is built around documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian-American histories as they intersect with those of European-Americans. Part of the Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing and reconciliation, this series is open to all and is especially designed to help White people talk with other White people. Participants peel away the layers that have contributed to the divides of the present day while grounded in our call to faith, hope and love as members of God's beloved community.

The ideal candidate will have demonstrated ability in:

- Experience in and a deep commitment to anti-racism work
- Experience in facilitating diverse groups and ability to train and support small-group facilitators
- Experience in community organizing
- Experience leading multi-group projects

Skills and Responsibilities:

- Organize, facilitate and sustain a network of participating organization/groups
- Organize, coordinate and support educational circles with and through partner-organization facilitators
- Document the project (e.g., program learnings)
- Recordkeeping (e.g., activities, invoices)
- Complete Episcopal Safe-Church Training and background check
- Report via regular meetings with the *Sacred Ground* Advisory Board
- Participate in St. Paul's staff meeting once a month

The St. Paul's Assistant Rector, Chair of the Advisory Board, will be available for day-to-day support. St. Paul's Rector, manager of all staff, will check in as needed.

This is a two-year, independent-contractor, half-time position with no benefits, at \$35,000- \$45,000 annually depending on experience.

Please email resume and references to The Rev. Katie Holicky, St. Paul's Episcopal Church Assistant Rector katieholicky@stpaulsmaine.org.